

## **School notes Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> January.**

Happy New Year –May we take this opportunity to wish our whole school community a Happy New Year. On Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January we welcomed staff and pupils back to Elgin Academy and are hugely excited for the term ahead.

Prelim Examinations – Our Prelim exams will start on Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> January, with pupils beginning study leave at 1:10pm on Friday the 11<sup>th</sup> January and exams running through until the 1<sup>st</sup> of February. We wish all our senior pupils the best of luck in their imminent exams.

### **Bake Me a Story – Golden National Non-Fiction Competition – Pupils' Successes**

We have started the New Year with some great news: three of our pupils have achieved outstanding successes in a national competition, all part of a Library and Home Economics collaboration. The organisers of the Bake Me A Story Competition received 300 entries in total from all around the country and our pupils' entries were included in the shortlist of 10. **Well done to Louise Orr in S2 for her shortlisted entry and congratulations to Sarah Fraser and Claudia Spencer in S3, whose entry: Wonder Book Cake, is the winner!**

With a Food and Festivals Around the World theme, the challenge was to design a birthday cake for the Federation of Children's Book Groups 50<sup>th</sup> celebrations – the cake could be inspired by a favourite book, book character or author, or based on the Federation's aim to bring children and books together. The judges were delighted with our pupils' creativity and originality and publishers Hachette Publishing are sending prizes to Sarah and Claudia, plus copies of *Nadiya's Bake Me A Story: World Book Day Book* to give to all pupils who entered the competition.

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