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JCSC'S GENEROSITY FOR UKRAINIAN HUMANITARIAN AID - AND WHY IT IS IMPORTANT TO DONATE TO THE RIGHT PLACES

BY ALEX BEAL

As a school, we recently collected a large amount of donations which were sent to Hadston House. The donations were then distributed by Ukraine Aid which will make a massive difference to those who need it most. But what happens when donations are not given to proper organisations?

Many people around the world have reacted to the Russian invasion of Ukraine negatively, condemning the actions of the president Vladimir Putin. Pages 3, 4

While some have reacted indifferently, offering not much aid except their support of the Ukrainian people and government, others have sent gifts and material objects to the citizens of Ukraine. However, if this is not done

HUMANITARIAN AID FOR UKRAINE

A lex gives us a background into why it is important to donate to the right places when it comes to helping charities.

'DON'T SAY GAY' BILL -**INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

Read all about the proposed bill and the implications of this on American students on Page 2

CREATIVE WRITING AND CLUB SPOTLIGHTS

Next Issue: Horoscopes, **Comedy & History Feature** through the proper channels of charity aid organisations, it can actually cause more harm than good.

Transportation of items in bulk needs documentation, and costs a lot of money. Since there is no designated recipient to these items, unless sent to a specific warehouse owned by a charity, they will likely sit in airports or warehouses untouched and undistributed.

The cost of this is colossal, and clogs up the veins of humanitarian aid charities that wish to do the work that those who require it desperately need. Items of food may have gone off by the time it reaches the warehouses, or could be contaminated, both of which meaning it will have to be destroyed and disposed of (creating even more expenses).

But, this does not mean that you should do nothing. Organised, reputable charities meant to deal with this sort of thing can be found by some simple research. Or, alternatively you could send money to people such as the UN's Commissioner for Refugees who will use the money to provide healthcare, clothing and other vital amenities that the refugees require.

Non-profit organisations such as the Doctors Without Borders are sending medical supplies and professionals to evacuees and places where refugees are residing. This, too, requires money which you can give. Even a few pounds would help, so why won't you be a hero? Make sure you donate to reputable charities, who have the means to get your donations into the

hands of those that really need them.

What's on at JCSC?

Environmental Club

WednesdayLunchtimesin Room 33

Running Club

Tuesdays afterschool3:10-4:15

Chess Club

In the Library during Lunchtimes

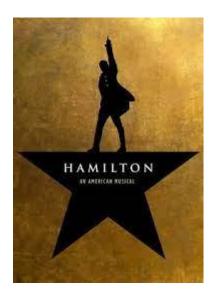
HAMILTON MUSICAL SONGS REVIEW BY BETHANY

WILSON

The following list of songs feature in Act 1 of the smash hit musical Hamilton! It's been rounded up to the top 10 – my fellow music lovers, give them a listen!

- **10.** "Stay Alive" 5/10 not as emotional as "satisfied" but still a great song overall.
- **9.** "Helpless" 6/10 good vocals, easy to sing along to, I've never been a fan of love songs to be honest!
- **8**. "Meet Me Inside" 7/10 A bit of a lacklustre follow up to "ten duel commandments"
- 7. "History Has Its Eyes On You" 8/10 the best bit is how the lyrics make appearances in other songs in the lineup.

- **6**. "The Story of Tonight (Reprise)" 9/10 Daveed Diggs is greatest man alive, no further inquiries needed
- **5**. "A Winter's Ball" 9/10 'is it a question of if Burr or which one?' will forever be engraved into my brain
- **4**. "The Schuyler Sisters" 9.5/10 Peggy is best Schuyler sister fight me on this
- **3**. "Non-Stop" 10/10 underrated and yet the best song of the act 1 lineup (in my opinion)
- **2**. "Satisfied" 10/10 Hiterally cried, Angelica deserved so much better
- 1. "Guns and Ships" 10/10 Again, Daveed Diggs, underrated but so very iconic



6TH FORM VOICE

"Don't Say Gay" Bill – Everything you need to know.

By TEHYA WADE



A bill is being passed onto Florida's state Senate that would ban teachers of children in kindergarten to 3rd grade (reception-year 4 UK equivalent) from discussing gender and sexual orientation with their students.

Children always have lots of questions to ask, especially at this age. The introduction of this bill would bring damage to a whole new generation of LGBTQ+youth.

This bill is titled 'Parental Rights in Education' however, since it is imposing a ban on discussions of sexual orientation, critics have deemed it the 'Dont Say Gay' Bill. This has not become law in America, yet, because for a bill to become a law it must be passed by the House of Representatives, the state's Senator and then it must be approved by the President too. Alongside this bill, another is being proposed that would ban teachers from stating that certain genders and races are oppressed.

This bill was passed by Florida's House of Representatives on the 24th of February and the state's Senate on the 8th of March. If it is signed into law its terms would come into effect by the 1st of July, with all schools required to follow it by June 2023.

We rely on teachers to educate children in such a manner that would prepare them for the real world and criminalising conversations about different communities means that generations of children will be misinformed about the people that live around them. As well as this, it will teach children that it is not okay to be who they really are.

The LGBTQ+ community and its allies have fought tirelessly for years to have their basic human rights restored and the passing of this bill into law would be a huge step back for the progression of our society. This bill will cause a lot more harm than good and has already sparked protests and walkouts across American schools. Critics and people opposing the bill say that it is in breach of their Freedom of Speech rights as well as the First Amendment, which states that congress cannot pass a law that restricts people's freedom of speech.

What we really should be doing is encouraging our children to ask as many questions as possible and trying all we can to give them sufficient and understandable answers. Because it does not matter who you are or who you love, you are still human. No one has the right to treat you differently because of how you identify or who you love and it is part of your basic rights as a human that you should be able to love whoever you want to without any fear or shame.

SPOTLIGHT ON: ENVIRONMENTAL CLUB

Wednesday Lunchtimes in Room 33 (see Mrs Charnley, Miss Chapman or Mr Knight for more info!)

WHAT DO YOU DO?

Our focus is to improve the overall school environment. We aim to do this by raising awareness of our impact on the environment. We can all help by doing small things like collecting bottle caps, planting new plants and improving our recycling habits in and around school.

WHY IS IT SO IMPORTANT?

It's simple – we only get one planet!

CREATIVE WRITING: Enjoy a monthy installment of original creative writing by Pheonix Morrison

'Introductions are well, compulsory,'

Azrail, a younger man who appeared to be in his early twenties or at least late teens, sat at the edge of a cliff on the southern end of Mt.Tetria. He had his scruffy, black hair in a messy man bun and small blue studs in his ears, which were slightly pointed, while his face was littered with dark freckles. He wore a beige button-up trench coat with a white button up underneath, his pants were a dirty brown or dark grey-ish colour that were held up with a black leather belt that was about 35mm wide and only about 8mm thick. He wasn't doing much, he was just sitting there strumming on his guitar. It was definitely an older guitar, it was a deep brown and it was obvious its strings and various other parts of the guitar had been constantly repaired. There was nothing too special about this scene however, just a young man playing guitar, right? It's just a normal scene, right?



Are you aged 12 years (or within next 2 months) to 18 years of age, and want to do something a little different, make new friends? learn new skills? Gain qualifications? keep fit, support the local community? have new adventures, then have you considered the Army Cadets? Based in Scott Street Amble or Broomhill Detachment in Broomhill you could embark on a whole new adventure all locally with the options of travelling far and wide. Its all about the fun and friendship and equipping you with a variety of skills from First Aid, to BTECs, to DofE to competitive sports, and adventurous activities.

Amble Detachment on Scott Street Amble is open Monday and Thursdays 1850 - 2100

Broomhill Detachment Main Street Broomhill is open Tuesday 1850 – 2100 (Both join together on a Thursday during the summer for joint training at Druridge Bay Country Park).

Interested? Then pop along for a taster session or visit Northumbria Army Cadets website to find out more. $\frac{https://bit.ly/3ipU6H8}{https://bit.ly/3ipU6H8}$