The week in review

Welcome to our week in review. This week, young people are front-and-centre of the news, inspiring peers and taking on new challenges thanks to Cashback for Communities.

No knives better lives - a visit to Braeview Academy in Dundee

Youth volunteers from Police Scotland met with S1 and S2 pupils and the Justice Secretary at Braeview Academy in Dundee on Wednesday, where they delivered live sessions on the dangers of knife carrying. The sessions, created in collaboration with <u>Police Scotland Youth Volunteers</u> and <u>No Knives</u> <u>Better Lives</u>, have already reached more than 2,700 pupils.

Mr Matheson said:

"These sessions are an excellent example of collaborative work between organisations and those who have our young people's safety and resilience at their heart.

"For me they highlight the importance of prevention programmes, such as Police Scotland Youth Volunteers and No Knives Better Lives, and how their shared approach can help to deter and divert people from harmful behaviours and can encourage positive relationships that are founded on respect, tolerance and inclusion."

Basketball boost thanks to cashback

Children from Tyncastle High School showed the Justice Secretary the difference <u>Cashback for Communities</u> has had on their lives through participation in CashBack Schools of Basketball programme.

The programme gives selected pupils the opportunity to train in a sporting environment daily, including a minimum of three basketball sessions as part of their school week. It is designed not only to improve participant's basketball skills and physical competencies, but to also develop their confidence, communication, discipline and respect.

Since 2008 the Scottish Government has committed £92 million to CashBack initiatives, delivering nearly two million activities and opportunities for young people across all 32 local authorities. The CashBack programme offers a wide range of opportunities covering sporting, cultural, youth work and community for young people aged 10-24.

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Hear from the pupils involved at our Tynecastle High <u>@CashBackScot</u> School of Basketball as they met <u>@ScotGovJustice</u> Minister, <u>@MathesonMichael</u> at today's session.<u>#TacklingInequalities</u> <u>pic.twitter.com/oPpiL6zf9i</u>

– basketballscotland (@basketballscot) May 10, 2018

Breathtaking views on your bike

This week we launched our <u>Breathtaking Roads campaign</u> – a one-stop destination for motorcyclists in Scotland to stay safe. From breathtaking routes to top tips on safety, how to prepare for Scottish weather and what to wear on your bike, it's worth a look for anyone who wants to enjoy some of Scotland's most spectacular roads safely.

Check out our Breathtaking Roads campaign — a one stop destination for motorcyclists in Scotland. From routes to top tips from the Scottish biking community, you'll find it here. <u>https://t.co/nQsATFGj5Y pic.twitter.com/j2mitA81TR</u>

– Road Safety Scotland (@RoadSafetyScot) May 8, 2018

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