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MSP ANNOUNCES 2016 ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION WINNER

*STRATHALLAN PRIMARY'S SARAH WIGHAM (P7) TO HAVE DESIGN DISTRIBUTED ACROSS
KIRKCALDY CONSTITUENCY*



Sarah Wigham, a P7 pupil from Strathallan Primary School, has been announced as winner of the 2016 Christmas Card competition by David Torrance MSP and Sainsbury's Kirkcaldy.

Five finalists from schools across Kirkcaldy were invited to a visit to Levenmouth Printers with the local MSP on Wednesday, where the winner was announced shortly before midday. Sarah was present to see the very first of her cards being printed.

The four runner-ups included Aaron Kennedy (P7) from Valley Primary School, Brodie Harrison (P5-6) from Kirkcaldy West Primary School, Fern Selbie (P6) from Strathallan Primary School, and Tianna Hatton (Pt) from Pathhead Primary School.

The winning design was selected by David last week, with the help of a panel of residents from Abbeyfield House care home at a visit to Sainsbury's Kirkcaldy.

Commenting, the MSP for Kirkcaldy Constituency said:

“There were a lot of excellent designs this year, so it was very hard to pick a winner.

“Sarah’s design stood out because of how inclusive and international it felt. By showing the whole world, it felt like the spirit of Christmas was reaching across the planet in unity and peace. After such a challenging year across the globe, this card was an inspiring vision of hope that struck a chord with the whole panel.

He added; “Running this annual competition is always one of the highlights of my year as an MSP. Sainsbury’s, the schools, the kids and Abbeyfield House have done a great job. My thanks go out to all of them for another brilliant year.”

As a reward for her design, Sarah will receive a specially signed and framed card from David Torrance MSP, receive a special prize from Sainsbury’s, and will join David on a very special visit to the Scottish Parliament next week.

David Torrance MSP’s office will be distributing Sarah’s card to schools, charities and community groups across the constituency.



David selects the card at Sainsbury’s Kirkcaldy with residents from Abbeyfield House.

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NOTES TO EDITOR:

Captions for header photograph are as follows:

Front row, from left:

- Aaron Kennedy (Valley Primary School)
- Fern Selbie (Strathallan Primary School)
- Sarah Wigham (Strathallan Primary School)
- Brodie Harrison (Kirkcaldy West Primary School)
- Tianna Hatton (Pathhead Primary School)

Back row, from left:

- Hazel Cuthbert (Sainsbury's Kirkcaldy)
- David Torrance MSP
- Julie Hunter (Sainsbury's Kirkcaldy)

David Torrance MSP has run an annual Christmas Card competition over the last several years throughout his time as an MSP. Pupils from local primary schools are invited to design a Christmas Card to be sent across the local Parliamentary constituency.

Sarah Wigham's winning design for 2016 is below:



The Runner Up card designs for 2016 are as follows:



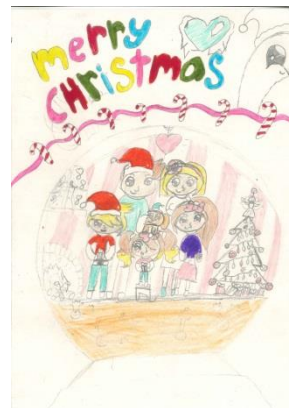
Aaron Kennedy
P7, Valley Primary School



Brodie Harrison
P5-6, Kirkcaldy West Primary School



Fern Selbie
P7, Strathallan Primary School



Tianna Hatton
P7, Pathhead Primary School

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