

# Hope you had a great week back!

Hello to all, we have had a very busy month with events and conferences that our team has gone to and represented you all and our institution. Like yesterday, when we had a fantastic Earth Day event with students taking part in terrarium building and a Wishing Well.

We also went to the National Union of Students' annual conference, this year held in Dunfermline's Fife College, we've done more with getting the ball rolling on some external campaigns and liaising with other Students' Associations and finding out our best strategies and tactics as a collective student movement. We were also looking at this opportunity to become a lead for college students' associations nationally and regionally.

To put it another way we have been incredibly busy and hard at work to create a better learning and environment for the whole college.



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### **Big Student Thank You 2025**

This week, we're launching the Big Student Thank You 2025! Every year, these awards give students the chance to say thank you to Edinburgh College staff who have positively impacted their year. You can nominate your lecturers or any member of support staff, and there are five categories:

- Best Lecturer Construction & Engineering
- Best Lecturer Creative Industries
- Best Lecturer Health, Wellbeing and Social Science
- Outstanding Lecturer of the Year Award
- Helping Hand Award for Support Staff

So, if someone at Edinburgh College has had a positive impact on your year, we want to hear about it! Nominations will all be read carefully, and the winners will be announced on the week beginning Monday 2nd June.

Say thank you here!



# Get your '25/'26 SAAS Application in today!

If you are progressing onto an HNC or HND course at college next year, or are going on to study at university, eligible students should get their SAAS applications in as soon as possible.

SAAS, the government agency who process higher education funding, also publish helpful processing time info on their website - they're currently working on applications submitted on the week of the 7th April.

SAAS are also running online application workshops for those who need a bit of help. More info here

Make your application

# Gold at the Scottish Student Sport Cup!



On Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April Edinburgh College students from Active Campus Clubs, and the College's Sports Department, spent the day at Oriam- Scotland's performance Centre taking part in the SSS (Scottish Student Sport) College National Finals!

There were over 400 students competing from 13 different colleges, in Volleyball, Basketball Badminton and Football. It was the biggest event yet!

All of our teams were a force to be reckoned with. With our Men's AND Women's football teams finishing first place overall and both bringing home gold. Edinburgh College finished overall 2<sup>nd</sup> place, out of 13 colleges, for the overall event.

We are ready to bring the cup home next year, if you are interested in College sports clubs and teams, please contact Active Campus Coordinator, Xsara Murray on <a href="mailto:xsara.murray@edinburghcollege.ac.uk">xsara.murray@edinburghcollege.ac.uk</a>

#### Keep your eyes peeled!

We're working with the college to organise some staff vs students badminton tournaments for Mental Health Awareness Week.

Granton Sports Hall on Tuesday 13th May 12.30-2.15pm

Sighthill Sports Hall on Thursday 15th May 12.30-2.15pm

There's no need to sign up - just come along, everyone welcome!

# Earth Day 2025



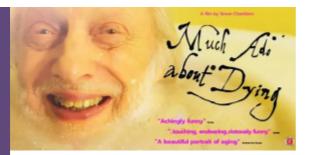


## Looking to start working for yourself after college?

Thinking about freelancing but unsure where to start? Join Bright Red Triangle's Freelance Academy session, where you'll be guided through building, growing, and scaling your business.

This practical workshop is designed to help you make freelancing work for you! The session is taking place at our **Sighthill Campus on Wednesday 30 April 2025 from 9am until 1pm**.

Register your place



## **Much Ado about Dying**

Location: Cre:8 building, Milton Road Campus

Doors Open: 5:30pm, Friday 9th May 2025

Screening starts at 6pm with short introduction followed by a Q&A with Loretta Dunn, Life Celebrant.

Concludes at 8pm

Refreshments available.

Free tickets here



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