

Elle Duffy - Head of News

Radio Caley is more than just part-time fun.

It is a chance to convey important messages and information to the student body, through a relaxed, student-led organisation.

As Head of News, I hope to bring more of these fundamental aspects of the station to the forefront. Drawing on my experience as a full-time production journalist at STV News, as well as news director at two separate community radio stations, I want to make Radio Caley News the go-to source for campus news.

One of my main introductions to the news service will be daily news. Taking just a few minutes at the start of each day, myself and my team will record a one minute bulletin that will be played, with the manager's permission, at the beginning of each show. If a bulletin cannot be recorded, a script will be left in the studio for presenters to read out themselves. The news will cover both university and general UK news.

Working closely with the elected Head of Multimedia, I will ensure that our bulletins are posted online, as well as in an online writing form, to increase our outreach.

Our attendance at events in Glasgow will also be on the rise – whether it's gaining Vox Pops for our daily bulletins, or full length interviews to be played on the already well-established weekly news show, we will be at every event within our capabilities.

With myself as Head of News, aspiring journalists and entertainers will have an even greater chance to improve their portfolio and show reels. They will have physical evidence of numerous news bulletins and scripts that they can present to potential work experience positions to better further their careers. I hope to encourage a multitude of new recruits to join next year and up our volunteer count.

Being part of the news team this year has most certainly opened my eyes to the vast amount of opportunities we as a student station have to better serve our listeners. It will not come without its challenges, but working under the pressure of improving our news circulation and overall output gives me enough determination to do the job brilliantly.

Jade's role of Head of News will be a hard act to follow, but I am confident that the experience I have gained under her leadership, as well as my knowledge from out-with the station, will allow me to lead the news team into an entirely new era.