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Ex-teacher jailed over sick images

COURT: Paedophile said treatment would not stop sexual urges

JENNY THOMSON

A former Dundee teacher yesterday admitted he has untreatable sexual urges towards young boys.

Pensioner Robert Lightband, who teaches the organ in Tayside, was jailed after a second conviction for possessing indecent images.

The retired history teacher, who worked at Menzieshill High School, said that rehabilitation courses would have no effect on him. He was caught with six indecent pictures and 2,000 "concerning" images of boys after giving his virus-infected computer to a technician.

He had also trawled paedophile forums and searched for explicit material.

His solicitor told Dundee Sheriff Court yesterday: "To his credit, he is honest enough to admit the offences are due to sexual interest.

"He is of the view that treatment is unlikely to change that."

Lightband, 69, of Clepington Court, Dundee, was jailed for 145 days.

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Some of the pupils who attended the event talking to the Princess Royal. Picture: Alan Richardson.



The Princess Royal meets Andre McEwan, Danang Putro and Kirstie Rickaby, all from Aberdeen University. Picture: Alan Richardson.



The Princess Royal chats to Professor Philip Winn and Jaclyn Carberry from Glasgow University. Picture: Alan Richardson.

Princess and pupils get insight into research

SCIENCE: Show illustrated some of the amazing work going on in the country

STEFAN MORKIS

The Princess Royal was given an insight into some of the revolutionary medical research being carried out in Scotland at a special event in Dundee yesterday.

She visited Dundee Science Centre for a 'Meet the Researcher' showcase organised by Medical Research Scotland, of which she is patron.

Along with more than 30 pupils and teachers from Tayside, Fife and Edinburgh, she learned about Scottish research into conditions such as Alzheimer's, heart disease and

endometriosis. Professor Bill Hunter, professor of structural biology at Dundee University, and Dr Vanessa Duncan, a senior research associate at Novabiotics Ltd, gave presentations.

The research topics on show ranged from neurodegenerative diseases and tissue imaging to cancer treatments and the next generation of medical devices.

"Medical Research Scotland aims to inspire and inform pupils about the wealth of careers linked to medical research," said Professor Philip Winn, chairman of Medical Research Scotland.

"By meeting real-life researchers in a



The Princess Royal gives her speech. Picture: Alan Richardson.

science environment who, in some cases, are just a few years older than themselves, and hearing from scientists engaged in some truly pioneering work right here in Scotland, we hope that pupils leave the event with a fresh sense of ambition and their potential as they move towards university and their working lives."

Pupils from Grove and Morgan academies in Dundee, St Leonards School in St Andrews and Waid Academy in Anstruther were among those invited.

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COURT

Man sent video to victim's family

A Fife man who coerced a woman into having repeated hotel sex liaisons with a man he found on the internet, made them film their meetings then sent the video to the victim's family has been warned that his case will "almost inevitably have to be remitted to the High Court".

Clive Weatherhogg set up a series of hotel sex sessions for the woman and a man over the course of a year.

He made a string of demands - including asking to be in the room tied to a chair while they had sex and telling the man to buy a male chastity device and have it sent to Weatherhogg for him to wear.

He then made the pair film their sessions when they refused to let him be in the room or live stream it over the internet.

Weatherhogg, Balmalcolm, Cupar, later sent a video to the victim's family.

A sheriff at Dundee locked him up and said: "This case will almost inevitably have to be remitted to the High Court."

The maximum sentence at sheriff court level is five years - so remitting the case would allow a longer jail term to be imposed.

Weatherhogg, 42, denied on indictment three charges under the Sexual Offences (Scotland) Act.

But a jury found him guilty of the charges.

Weatherhogg further admitted a charge of behaving in a threatening and abusive manner.

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