Weekly Update

This week has been Anti-bullying week and Book Week Scotland. A big well done to P3/4 and The Bookworms for an excellent assembly on Monday about Book Week Scotland. We have enjoyed DEAR (Drop Everything to Read) time this week and guessing the Mystery Reader!! Thank you very much to the adults who came in to read to different classes throughout the week. The children have had a great time (as have the staff)!!

Bookfair

Fundraising Bookfair arrives next week, a fabulous fundraiser as the school receives 60% of the sales in books for the classes. Books will be on sale at the Parents Nights, there is absolutely no obligation to purchase a book.

Charity

Two P5 pupils recently raised over £100 with a sweet sale in their street and donated this money to Marie Curie. Very well done!!

Police Visit

This morning, PC MacKinnon-Reid spoke to each of our P7 classes about the dangers of social media and about the use of racist, homophobic and sexualised language. She will be returning to give further input on this. We are arranging for her to speak to P6 at a later date. We will also be offering a parent information session about social media and we will forward you dates as soon as this is organised.

PTA

Fundraising: A big thank you to the PTA who have committed part of their fundraising this year and next year to subsidising £5 per child towards school trips for all P2, P4 and P6 pupils. This will cover all pupils in the school over the two years as P7 will also have their end of year bowling trip funded. We are very grateful to the PTA for this as it allows us to keep the costs down for our families.

Dress Down Day: Friday 24th November is our PTA Dress Down Day. If possible, please bring a tombola prize for the Christmas Fayre. Only one prize per family. Any alcohol should be handed into the office by an adult.

Parent Council Minutes

Our latest Parent Council minutes are now on the website. Please have a look.

Dates for your diary

Term 2 Dates

- 20th November P5b (9.30am) and All P1s (1.45pm stay and play) Road Safety
- 21st November Online Parents Night
- 27th November P5c (9.30am) and P3a (1.45pm) St Andrews
- 29th and 30th November In-person Parents Nights
- 2nd December PTA Christmas fair
- Monday 4th December P7 EDC Concert GRCH
- Wednesday 6th December Panto N-P3 (9.30am), P4-7 (1.30pm)
- Friday 8th December Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day
- Tuesday 12th December P4 Musical Extravaganza (10am)
- Wednesday 13th December (9.45am) P2&3 Christmas nativity
- Thursday 14th December (1.45pm) P2&3 Christmas nativity
- Thursday 14th December Family Movie Night "Arthur Christmas" (tickets available online)
- Friday 15th December P1 singalong (9.45am), Class Christmas Parties (afternoon)
- Monday 18 December School Christmas Assembly
- Friday 22nd December Last day of term school closes at 2.30pm

<u>Term 3</u>

- 15th January Parent council meeting
- 16th January PTA meeting
- Week beginning 22nd January Scottish Afternoon P4-7 (dates to be confirmed)
- 29th January P4a (1.45pm) International Epilepsy Day
- 12/13th February holidays
- 14th February In-service day
- 19th February P3b (1.45pm) Mother Language Day

- 19th February Parent Council meeting
- 26th February P7 group 1 to Barcaple
- 7th March World Book Day
- 4th March P7 group 2 to Barcaple
- 11th March P5a (9.30am) and P4b (1.45pm) Ramadan
- 14th March Online Parents Night
- 18th March P6c (9.30am) and all P1s (1.45pm stay and play) World Water Day
- 19th and 20th March In-person Parents Night
- 28th March School closes for Spring Holiday at 2.30pm

<u>Term 4</u>

- 22nd April P2b (1.45pm) Passover
- 22nd April Parent Council meeting
- 29th April P6a (9.30am) Deaf Awareness Week
- 2nd May In-service day
- 6th May Holiday
- 15th May PTA (AGM)
- 20th May Walk to school week
- 30th May P1-4 (am) and P5-P7 (pm) Sports Day
- 24th/27th May Holiday
- 3rd June All P1s (1.45pm stay and play) World Environment Day
- 3rd June Parent Council meeting
- 6th June Family Fun Night
- 21st June All P7's (1.30pm) Leavers Assembly

Have a lovely weekend

Lorraine