

Note from the Head Teacher :

Dear Parent/Carer,

Some updates for you.....

Display Cabinet

If you have been in at the main office recently I hope you noticed the lovely new display cabinet we have purchased to show off the great achievements of all of the boys and girls past and present at Dens Road Primary.

World Book Day

Mrs Cassidy has taken some of our school librarians to Waterstone to purchase some new books for the class libraries.

Parent Council

The parent council are now beginning to find their feet and I am delighted to say that they have offered to help repaint the games in the primary 1 playground.

Homework

Can I ask you all to support us in our bid to launch a new homework policy? We have been discussing this with the parent council and Mrs Cassidy and Mr Robertson have given a helping hand to get you all started by sending out a survey to parents, pupils and staff.

Thank you very much for your continued support.

Happy Easter,

Ann Marie McDonald

Head Teacher

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What has been happening across the school

Nursery

The children in the nursery have had fantastic learning experience through the theme of PIRATES!

PRIMARY 4/5 AND P5/6

"WE HAVE HAD A FANTASTIC TIME LEARNING HOW OUR BODY WORKS AND HOW TO KEEP IT HEALTHY WITH THE HELP OF MR DAY AND MISS HAMILTON, WHO ARE CURRENTLY TRAINING TO BE A DOCTOR AND A NURSE AT DUNDEE UNI-VERSITY.

Primary 1a1 and 1a2

We have been learning all about Chinese New Year and had our own restaurants,

Learning all about Scotland, Scottish poetry and The Loch Ness Monster,

We are beginning to learn all about space and using the Microsoft World Wide

telescope. We celebrated 100 days of school on 6/2/12 with a party and we have been learning all about the number 100! Our blog has almost had 7000 visitors!

P3

We have been learning about mini-beasts. We have been learning how to

classify creepy crawlies and what components make up a creepy crawly. Some of them look quite horrid!

We are now in our newly painted classroom and it looks great.

P6 have been very busy working with the Peer Educators from Morgan Academy finding out about the dangers of drugs, smoking and drinking.

They have also been getting ready to share with the P1s the chosen books for the Dundee Picture Book Awards.

MORE FROM OTHER CLASSES NEXT TIME AROUND.

As we lead up to the beginning of the Olympics we were fortunate enough to have a visit from Eilish McColgan.

Eilish gave up valuable time to inspire and motivate our pupils. She talked about the importance of the Olympic Values of respect, dedication, friendship, courage, self-lessness to name a few and how important these values are to have for anything you do in life. She encouraged the children to be involved in lots of different sports, have a healthy life style and be committed to their school work.

She emphasised the importance to the children of being setting personal goals and working hard to achieve these.

The children asked interesting questions and were delighted when Eilish presented certificates at Dens Road's School Praise Assembly.

One child in primary 2 said it was the best assembly she has ever been at.

We would like to say a great big thank you to Eilish from all of us at Dens Road P.S. and we wish her every success on reaching the London 2012 Olympics.



Inter School Quiz Winners Dudhope

Burns Poetry Winners CONGRATULATIONS 90 to:

Plal Bethesda Ekanem Pla2 Aiden Christie P2al Owen Scott P2/3 Katie Kilhooly P3 Connor Telfer and Hannah Shepherd

P4al Batoor Khan P4/5 Robbie Johnson

P5/6 Leah Shepherd P6 Owen Kane

P7al Arron Thompson P7a2 Daniel McInroy

Fund raising this term!

British Heart Foundation £209

Sports Relief in excess of £1000

Congratulations to everyone and thank you very much for your generosity.

Sarah, Craig, Jordan and Jesse on their trip to

Waterstones



Please note in bold italics any changes and/or cancellations.

2012

March

Tuesday 13 – 15 March 2012 Tuesday 20 March 2012 Tuesday 27 - 29 March 2012 Friday 30 March 2012 Friday 30 March 2012

April

Monday 16 April 2012 Tuesday 17 April 2012

May

Tuesday 1 May 2012 Monday 7 May 2012 Tuesday 15 May 2012 Friday 25 May 2012 Monday 28 May 2012 Friday 1 June 2012

June

Tuesday 5 June 2012 Friday 8 June 2012 Monday 11 June 2012 Tuesday 12 June 2012 Wednesday 13 June 2012 Thursday 14 June 2012 Tuesday 19 or Thursday 21 June 2012 Whole School to Blair Drummond Friday 22 June 2012 Monday 25 June 2012 Tuesday 26 June 2012 Wednesday 27 June 2012 Thursday 28 June 2012

P2/3 Drop In Afternoons 11.00 am P4/5 Assembly P1 Drop In Afternoons Easter Fun Day 3.15 School closes for Easter

School re-opens 3.15 - 4.15 SMT Open Door

3.15 - 4.15 SMT Open Door May Day Holiday 11.00 am P1 Assembly In Service Day Victoria Day Holiday Fun Friday - P7 - Day Out

3.15 - 4.15 SMT Open Door Fun Friday – P7 – 2^{nd} Day Out Infant Sports Upper Sports Request a meeting with Teacher Request a meeting with Teacher Fun Friday – P7 – 3rd Day Out **Excellence** Awards Prize Giving Leavers Assembly School Closes 12 noon