



# Calside News

October 2024



**Lots of very busy children this term- both in school and out of school!  
Well done to:**

The P6 and P7 Play leaders who have organised and run a wide range of clubs this term. We look forward to seeing what you come up with next term!

Darcy Bell has been helping to look after Mum's ducks;

Freya Bithell is developing lots of artistic techniques in her art classes at The Art Room; she has also been helping to look after her little sister;

Elise Black earned a green Blue Peter badge for her environmental work, including a zookeeper day at Edinburgh Zoo!

Alex Boyer has been playing chess, and won two games against his cousin recently;

Lacey Campbell went on her first residential course, and really enjoyed it;

Sam David started piano lessons;

Clayton Davies has been making computer games and learning more about scriptwriting for animation;

Noah Donowho was a groomsman for his cousin's wedding;

Jack Drennan has been learning to write in Roman numerals;

Finn Graham and Lily Graham have been practicing Spanish on Duolingo ready for their October holiday!

Emily Haining took part in the Thornhill Flower Show and won overall First Place for her entries;

Daniel Hamilton did a sponsored bike ride for charity;

Charlie Hardy has been looking after animals carefully: he even saved a worm!

Caden Healey went on 7 trains to get to his destination, and did really well;

Olly Hill helped to look after his little sister and his mum when she was unwell recently;

Aaron Johnston and Amelie Stankovic have been helping with the housework at home!

Natalie Little has been helping to look after her young cousin;

Millie McDowall helped to raise £1500 for the charity CRY (Cardiac Risk in the Young) in memory of her Uncle Thomas;

Ava McNaught earned a certificate for her bravery when getting a jag;

Logan Milligan has been helping round the house to help Mum when she is unwell;

Sadie Morrison is learning to sew;

Fern Ramage took part in Canter for a Cure, riding 50km to raise money in memory of her Grandma Wylie

David Rogerson completed the Edinburgh Shine Walk in aid of Cancer Research UK, raising over £300;

Rachael Smith donated her doll's house to someone who needed it;

Milena Stankovic has been doing autumnal arts and crafts to decorate her Nana and Papa's house for autumn;

Danielle Stewart has been learning to make breakfast and dinner, chopping the ingredients very carefully;

Blair Thwaites was Best Man at his Mum and Dad's wedding, and made an excellent speech;

Kara Wells climbed Criffel to raise funds for her gymnastics club.

### **Brilliant Beavers, Brownies and Cubs**

Hannah Hogg earned her First Year and her Skills for My Future badges; Alyssa Jackson earned her Speaking Different Languages badge; Natalie Little has been made a Sixer at Brownies; Logan Milligan is working on several badges at Cubs; Sadie Morrison has been made a Seconder at Brownies; Ivy Murdoch earned her Level 1 Language badge in Nepalese; Mia O'Toole earned her Skills for My Future badges and went on her first Brownie sleepover; Lewis Scott earned Hobbies and Sports badges at Beavers as well as Beaver of the Week. Lewis has now moved onto Cubs. Ivy Murdoch, Sophie Weir and Eden Windsor earned their Skills for My Future badges.

### **Cool Cyclists**

Elise Black came 3<sup>rd</sup> in the bike race at Ae in her age category; she has also learned how to ride her bike one-handed, but hopefully not while racing! Aveliese Bowthorpe can now go up and downhill on her bike without using her brakes; Max Brown and Evie McDonald have been learning to stand on their bikes, then sit and stop; Aaron Bruce, Emily Grant, Chloe Parker, Danielle Stewart can now ride their bikes without stabilisers; Finn Graham cycled 5 miles; Archie Gray and Ronan Harkness have learned how to ride their bike one-handed; Ronan Harkness has been learning how to ride safely on the road; Olivia McDonald has been learning how to do a wheelie and hold the bike still; Melissa Mensdorf has been practicing how to safely ride the bike with no hands; Joshua Obiegbu learned how to jump, turn and stand up on his bike; Alfie Ross has been learning bike skills and working hard on them.

### **Delightful Dancing and Drama**

Sophie Adamson and Mia O'Toole have started drama with the Guild of Players; Emily Angus, Paige Gordon, Quinn Gordon, Halle Hunt have all achieved Star of the Week at Razzamataz; Freya Bithell continues to progress with her dance lessons; Annie Boyd started a new trending dance class; Leah Finnigan performed at Youthbeatz with her hip-hop dancing; Emily Gibson and Fergie Watson have moved up a grade in ballet, and has been showing their class their ballet moves; Jade Lorimer did an aerial at acro dancing; Taylor Smith won Best Dancer at her holiday pool party; Eden Windsor earned Dancer of the Week at her dance class.

### **Fantastic Footballers**

Alex Boyer, Ronan Harkness, Alfie Ross, Danny Windsor and Rafe Windsor won all their games in a football tournament with their teams;

Jack Bisset, Olly Bisset, Faye Boyd, Rory Bruce, Harley Culton-Power, Jude Currie, Poppy Davidson, Clayton Davies, Freddie Dickson, Evie Dunlop, Damola Fashola, Liam Gibson, Archie Hamilton, Keir Hope, Cameron MacBeth, Roddy MacBeth, Sophie McCaulay, Logan Milligan, Mason Morrison, Calvin Pettigrew, George Potts, Harry Rice, Ethan Strawbridge, Rachel Tennant, Owen Walden and Lewis Weir have been playing well in their football teams;

Aaron Bruce took part in his first football tournament; Ethan Bruce was Player of the Camp at his football camp; Jude Currie was ball boy for Queen of the South; Poppy Davidson won Player of the Match; Clayton Davies won Player of the Match; Freddie Dickson is playing for a new team in the Lanarkshire league; Evie Dunlop signed to play for Queen of the South girls' team; Archie Hamilton was made Captain for his Terregles team; Max Hiddleston won Player of the Match at one of his team matches; Findlay Jacques won a medal at football; Findlay Kerr was Player of the Week for his team; Finn McKinnell won a medal at football; Joey McKinnell won a Soccer School medal; Mason Morrison was made Captain for Troon FC; Emily Muirhead tried being a defender for the first time and did really well; Jayden Patterson has started football at Queen of the South, and loves it; Calvin Pettigrew scored a hat-trick and got Player of the Day; Grierson Radley has been working hard on his football and even competed in a football tournament with older children.

### **Great Golfers**

Faye Boyd, Keir Hope, Natalie Little and Roddy MacBeth are improving their golf skills; Cameron MacBeth is playing for Crichton Golf Team who are playing in national competitions in Gleneagles and Edinburgh; Cameron finished 5<sup>th</sup> overall at the Golfs 6s national tournament; Alfie Ross has been working hard on his golf skills and won a medal for hitting the golf ball highest.

### **Great Gymnasts**

Evie Alison, Freya Bithell, Aveliese Bowthorpe, Poppy Davidson, Thomas Dunlop, Paige Gordon, Quinn Gordon, Emily Grant, Ella Haggarty, Jade Lorimer, Robyn Rice, Rachel Tennant, Fergie Watson, Sophie Weir and Eden Windsor took part in the DGOne gymnastics tournament; please see the Sway for all their medals and certificates! What a lot of amazing gymnasts we have.

Darcy Bell has learned how to do a handspring; Elise Black earned a certificate at gymnastics; Aveliese Bowthorpe can do a backwards roll; Lacey Campbell and Quinn Gordon moved up a level in gymnastics; Emily Gibson is now training with the Y Gymnastics development group; Lily Graham and Jade Lorimer can do a handspring off the vault; Lily is also working on her backflip and round-off backflip; Ella Haggarty won a trophy at awards night for her dedication to her gymnastics all year; Emily Muirhead has been practicing her backbend; Chloe Parker has learned to do a circle-over on the bar; Milena Stankovic has mastered how to sit up on the bar; Georgie Wells has been practising on the bars and perfecting her cat leap; Fergie Watson has learned how to do a round-off; Kara Wells has mastered a back walkover and a back hip circle.

### **Marvellous Martial Arts**

Ellie and Sophie Adamson have started karate; Jude Currie has been getting tags in his martial arts; Thomas Dunlop achieved a tag on his red stripe belt at karate; Ronan Harkness moved up a level at kickboxing; Olly Hill tried karate for the first time; Findlay Kerr earned his green belt in his karate class, and moved up a class; Aleenah Mannan moved to her blue belt; Blair McCole earned his red stripe belt; Ivy Murdoch passed her martial arts grading; Alfie Ross earned a new belt.

### **Super Swimmers**

Ellie Adamson, Sophie Adamson, Jack Bisset, Amelia Black, Olivia Black, Aila-Jane Bruce, Ethan Bruce, Jacob Campbell, Poppy Davidson, Noah Donowho, Emily Gibson, Paige Gordon, Daniel Gray, Daniel Hamilton, Charlie Hardy, Ronan Harkness, Keir Hope, Aaron Johnston, Logan Milligan, Cameron Murdoch, Jayden Patterson, Fern Ramage, David Rogerson, Ella Scott, Kara Wells and Rafe Windsor are getting better with their swimming;

Annie Boyd completed all the swim skills levels; Aaron Bruce earned 4 swimming badges; Rory Bruce has moved up to junior development for the swim squad, and placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in a swimming competition against different clubs; Jacob Campbell and Ronan Harkness have been practicing swimming underwater; Poppy Davidson achieved her Silver level for Rookie Lifeguards; Clayton Davies, Max Hiddleston and Ethan Lees have been selected for the swim squad; Thomas Dunlop won 3 ribbons and achieved three personal bests at his first swim meet; Emily Grant can hold her breath underwater; Findlay Jacques completed his drowning prevention training; Finn McKinnell and Lewis Scott have started swimming lessons; Ben Murray achieved Bronze level 3 in Rookie Lifeguards.

### **Other Sensational Sportspeople**

Ollie Arnold and Ollie Service won medals at boxing for sparring;

Ruairidh Beattie scored two tries at his first rugby tournament;

Freddie Dickson has been learning skills for scrums and rocks at rugby, testing these with his team at recent tournaments;

Paige Gordon and Robyn Rice completed their first Parkrun;

Quinn Gordon and Emily Haining have been completing Parkruns and earned personal bests;

Quinn Gordon earned three rosettes in her horse-riding; she also took part in the pony care day;

Emily Grant and Alyssa Jackson moved up a level in ice-skating.

Archie Gray can ride his hoverboard safely;

Douglas Haggarty and Stewart Henderson won rugby sportsmanship awards when their team played in Biggar; their team also made the final in Jedburgh with only 10 players and no subs!

Keir Hope tried rock-climbing;

Findlay Kerr climbed the Waterloo monument;

Alice Kirkpatrick has moved to intermediate training in cheerleading, having completed all foundation level;

Ethan Lees won a tennis competition, and also came 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Dumfries vs the Borders tennis competition;

Jade Lorimer has managed to do a canter at horse-riding;

Sophie McCaulay has now completed more than 60 Parkruns, and is training to beat her personal best; she has also learned to drop in on her scooter;

Blair McCole earned his half-marathon badge at the Parkrun;

Layla McGill earned a certificate at her baton-twirling for her effort and good listening;

Finn McKinnell won Boxer of the Month at his boxing class;

Ben Murray is walking the Southern Upland Way, and has attained 3 kists so far;

Joshua Obiegbu can do a sideflip on his trampoline;

George Potts has been training for a 15K run, and managed this in under 2 hours;

Grayson Ramage has been working hard on his skills at horse-riding;

Ella Scott has been learning to look after her horse;

Lewis Scott has started curling;

Rachael Smith completed a year at Let's Get Sporty;

Blair Thwaites has learned how to jump on a scooter;

Dominik Vereb scored 3 tries at his rugby tournament.