

LANGHOLM PRIMARY OCTOBER/NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

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Dates for your Diary

31st October Non-uniform day to celebrate Hallowe'en –donation for school funds

1st November Financial Education begins for P4 and P7 classes

3rd November Indoor Football Competition Carlisle. Pupils leave school at 8.20

5th November P5 parents to school for Winmarleigh meeting – 6.30pm

6th November PTA meeting in staffroom 6.30 pm

8th November After-school choir begins P6 & P7 3-4pm

8th November Parent Council 6.30pm

9th November Xmas Child Shoe boxes to be in school for collection

9th November Whole school to Buccleuch Centre to see 'The Borrowers'

21st November P7 Science Challenge at Academy

28th November Parents' Night

30th November St Andrew's Day Holiday

4th December Xmas Disco

13th December P4-P7,Xmas concert

17th December Infant Nativity - 6.30pm

18th December Infant Nativity – 1.45 pm

21st December Church Service

9.30am Parents most welcome

21st December School closes

AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS

We are fortunate to have so many members of staff willing to give up their free time to offer these clubs to our pupils.

Monday	Theatre Skills	P1-3
Monday	Pipe Band Drumming	P6-7
Monday	Netball	P6-7
Monday	Gymnastics	P4-7
Tuesday	Rugby	P5-7
Tuesday	Cross Country	P6-7
Thursday	Knitting	P4-7
Thursday	Basketball	P1-3
Thursday	School Choir	P6-7
Friday	Football	P5-7



It's hard to believe that we are at the end of the first school term already! The calendar is filling up quickly with dates for the busy Xmas term.

PUPIL COUNCIL

Elections were held on the 25th September and our first meeting was on the 4th October. Well done to the following pupils who have been chosen by their peer group to be actively involved in the decision making of the school.

P7 Luke Bell and Ciaran Jackson

P6 Philip Porter and Lucy Ash

P5 Callum Jeffrey and Leah Jarzyna

P4 Kelly Green and Ben Jardine

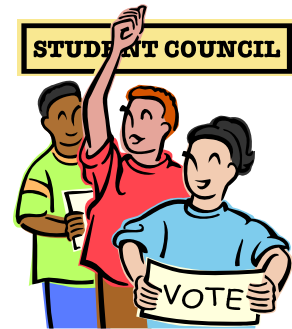
P3 Represented by Nathaniel Graham

P2 Represented by Ruairi Hotson

P1b Represented by Matthew Grieve

P1a Represented by Lauren Graham

Representatives discussed matters brought forward by their classmates. Unfortunately requests for upgrades to the school building cannot be addressed due to the imminent construction of the new school. The council have therefore decided to focus upon fund raising this year.



TASTY TUCK

The Pupil Council tasted samples of Tasty Tuck and are keen to start selling these healthy snacks on Thursday and Friday at playtime every alternate week. Snacks will cost 60p and are very nutritious. Pupils will be informed in advance when the Tuck Shop is due to open.



Sprint 4 Fun

The 'Sprint 4 Fun' initiative allows Primary 1-7 pupils from all 26 Annandale & Eskdale Primary Schools to take part in sprint related games in the school playground. After being timed over a 50 metre distance, the overall class winners at each school were then invited to take part in the final event at the Everholm Running Track on Sunday. Over 550 spectators turned up to watch the gifted youngsters race against their peers in the popular annual event, which is now in its fifth year.

We are thrilled to announce that some of our pupils excelled in this event and many were placed in the top three!

Congratulations to:

Carly Blaikie 1st P7 Girl

Alex Green 3rd P7 Boy

Thomas Scott 1st equal P6

boy

**Alejandro Atkins-Atrigas 1st
P1 Boy**



House Points

The winners for the month of September was Esk. Pupils will be rewarded with a disco on Friday the 12th of October.

PUPIL COUNCIL CERTIFICATES

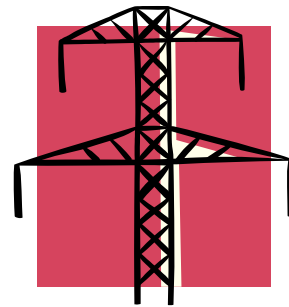
The award for September was for 'inspiring others'. Well done to the following pupils who are good role models for Langholm Primary:

Ryan Warwick	P1a
Kayla Smith	P1b
Rosie Hogg	P2
James Kay	P3
Freya McCall	P4
Juliet Weatherstone	P5
Philip Porter	P6
Carly Blaikie	P7



OPERATION SAFETY

Primary 7 pupils attended this exciting and well organised event on the 3rd of October. They were alerted to the dangers associated with smoking, electricity, fire hazards in the home and drinking alcohol and driving. They were also given advice about the natural hazards that they might experience in the countryside. First aid training was also given to pupils as well as internet safety. Pupils loved driving the mobility scooter but Mrs. Mills felt it was too much like a vision of things to come!



School Photographs

If your child was absent during the recent photographic session they can visit the Academy on the 23rd of November between 8.30am and 9.00am to have their photographs taken.

OPERATION XMAS CHILD

We would like to remind parents to help their children to fill a shoebox with small items in order to give a less fortunate child a special gift. Please make sure that your box is in school by Friday 9th November.

MATHS GAMES

We are fund-raising this year for new maths games in order to supplement our Active Learning programme in numeracy. If you have any number games that your children no longer use and they are in good condition please donate them to our school.

HALLOWE-EN

Hallowe'en falls on Wednesday 31st October. We invite pupils to come to school in fancy dress and to bring a donation to supplement school funds.



Mrs Carol Mills
(Acting Head Teacher)

