

# Auchencairn News

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are at the end of another busy month in school and the end of another term too. We are so proud of what our children have already achieved and are looking forward to a packed summer term, so do please keep an eye on the diary dates. Also a special thank you to Fiona and her team for an amazing Bingo Night, which was a true community event.

Best wishes,  
Mrs Jarvis

## What's been happening....



We welcome our student teacher, Miss Rogerson this term. She will be working with the P4-7 class.

Iris, George and Tilly represented the school at the Primary Maths Challenge and did superbly.



Our pupils enjoyed a trip to Kirkcudbright Museum to take part in the Mary, Queen of Scots Schools Workshop.

P1-4 learnt the art of potato planting and will be looking forwards to eating them once they've grown!



Well done to our group of pupils who took part in the Stewartry Cross Country; especially Tilly, who received a medal.



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## Community engagement....



### Bingo!

As you are aware we had a bingo fundraiser for the school on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March. Thank-you to all the parents who helped arrange this as well as everyone who donated prizes and baking. We have raised an amazing £1014.00!! We will be working with the Parent Council with regard to how best to utilise these funds to benefit all of our children.



## Our school partnership



The New Friday Partnership Days are now well underway, with Assemblies on St David's and St Patrick's days, sessions on Rights Respecting Schools and whole Partnership PE sessions. We are also redeveloping our Fun 31 time to include a wider range of activities chosen and lead by the children. We are also looking forward to our Partnership Easter Fun Day at Palnackie on the last day of term.



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## Dates for the fridge....



### Term 4 – Provisional dates.

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> and Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April – BANK HOLIDAY SCHOOL CLOSED

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April – Rotary Swimming Gala P4-7 (details to follow)

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May – School show (times TBC)

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May – BANK HOLIDAY SCHOOL CLOSED

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May – Sports day (time TBC)

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May – Young artist/photographer competition close

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May – Reserve sports day

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May – School open afternoon

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June – Galloway Games @ Kbt Primary School

23<sup>rd</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> June – P7 induction week @ Kirkcudbright High school

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Leavers concert (details to follow)

### Extra-curricular sports activities

#### Dates for Paul Jones Football

- **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April and Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April, 3-4pm practise sessions for whole team.**
- Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May – Birkland, Castle Douglas
- Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May – Dalry High School, Dalry
- Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May – Dalbeattie High School 3G, Dalbeattie
- Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> May – St Marys 3G Pitch, Kirkcudbright

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## Parent Council News....

The parent council are funding the school play this year, which will be held on 1st May. It is called 'bumblesnouts save the world' and is a musical. We will need help with set design and costumes etc. nearer the time, but will keep you in the loop.

The first priority is the set / props, and some of the main costumes.

We need help with the following:

- Main rural scene backdrop - LARGE (we are currently investigating if anything is available locally through drama groups). The full stage backdrop size is something like 3x6m.
- Partial spaceship prop that pupils can walk out of - this is the most complicated prop and needs to be built
  - Screens (Poppy has some we can use)
- Tree props - can parents collect brown cardboard boxes please, and any larger areas of flat cardboard that can be made into canopies
  - Car prop (Poppy has offered to take this on)
  - Window /table arrangement for Mrs Fizzy's (cleaner) scene
    - Smoke machine
    - Blackout material for the hall windows
  - Any lighting equipment / help with lighting for the scenes
- Smaller props: alien ship controls, Mrs fizzy spray cans/cloth/feather duster, tea tray & cups, foam bricks, guns/gangster weapons, hunter axes/fishing rods/butterfly nets, binoculars, tree feller axes/saws and spades

In terms of Costumes, could we ask if any of the parents have the following:

- Something that could be used as a crocodile costume
  - Hunter hats / gear
  - Mrs Fizzy cleaner's apron

General help with the other costumes (we will be working with the kids directly to design/make these) - we will follow up with more detail as the cast members are selected by the school.

If you are able to help in any way please contact Joanna Wemyss on 07749105312.

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The next PTA meeting will take place on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May.  
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There are loads of out of school clubs and activities on, and it would be great if more lift sharing were possible. If you need a lift to any of the clubs, either put it up on the PC Facebook page, or ask around at the school gate, and hopefully someone can help.

For local community events please click the link below to go to the Auchencairn News and Events

page: <https://sway.cloud.microsoft/2jb5oTZDZvxNn1ct?ref=Link>

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