

# **Newsletter Week Ending 23rd February 2024**

I hope this newsletter finds everyone well. We are now over half way through this term and there has been lots happening since our last SWAY.

## **Dates for Diary**



Saturday 24th February Parent Council Coffee Morning 10-12 Dalbeattie Townhall

Thursday 7th March - World Book Day

Wednesday 13th March - Parental Drop In

Friday 22nd March - End of term - Easter service at Church time to be confirmed.

## **Contacting School**

When calling the school please do not leave a message on the answer phone this is not currently working and messages can't be retrieved. Sorry for this inconvenience. As well as phoning the school office, messages can be sent to the school via the office email. gw08officedalbeatti2@ea.dumgal.sch.uk

#### P7 at Lockerbie Manor

Earlier this month,P7 had a fantastic 3 days at Lockerbie Manor. The children participated in a range of outdoor activities and challenges. They worked as part of a team, in pairs and as individuals to build their confidence and develop new skills. This trip was the first time some of the children had stayed away from home and they were all a credit to their families and showed responsibility and positive attitudes.

A few pictures of the P7 adventures are below but more can be viewed on our school blog.



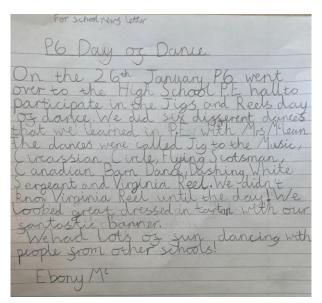








## **P6 Day of Dance**















## **Scots Poetry Success**



You may have seen on our blog last week that we celebrated success in P1-6 for poetry recitals. Staff swapped classes and carried out the final judging. They didn't have easy decisions to make. Click on the pictures to see the winners and runners up.



















#### **World Book Day**



World Book Day is on Thursday 7th of March. Class teachers are planning a range of activities for the children to participate in with their class and across levels. The children will also have the opportunity to design a book cover as part of a competition across the whole school. We would also like the children to bring in a favourite book to share with friends in their class or perhaps within a different class. If children would like to borrow a book from the library then they can do this too.

World book day tokens have also been given out to children this week. Pupils will receive one each. The tokens are valid until 31st March. They can be used in Dalbeattie Book Shop who will have a range of the free £1 books for which one token can be exchanged per book. Alternatively, tokens can be kept to be redeemed against purchases at the Book Fair which will be in school, Monday 11th March- Friday 15th of March.

Accompanying this SWAY is a reading newsletter kindly prepared to share by Mrs Lumsden. Mrs Lumsden runs a school book club on Wednesday for P5-P7 pupils who would like to participate. They are going to become more involved in promoting reading throughout the school and will be

contributing to future newsletters. Please look out for future information and posts from them on the blog to promote reading.

### Musical Excitement P4 and P4/5



P4 and P4/5 have started working with musicians Mairi and Gregor from Feis Ros this term. They joined the classes on Wednesday afternoon for their first sessions. They are learning about traditional music and scots songs. This is a 12 week block of work and we look forward to sharing the progress of both classes over this time.













#### **Vision, Values and Aims**

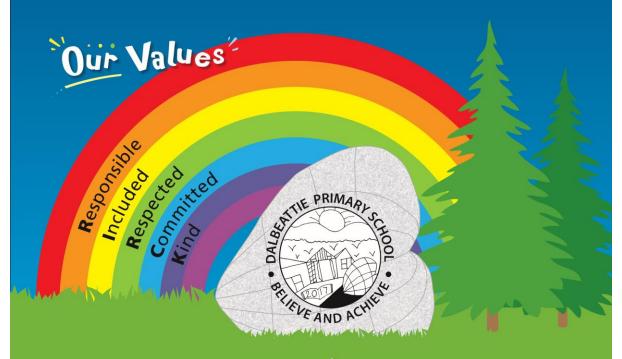


You may recall that we asked parents and carers for views about our vision, values and aims at our cuppa and carols event and then through a Microsoft form. Children were also consulted in school in the review process of our vision, values and aims for the school and nursery. We are now able to share with you our new graphic design showcasing the vision, values and aims for Dalbeattie Primary and Nursery. P7 will share further information about the full review process with everyone in due course.

## Believe and Achieve

## Our Vision

Our Vision at Dalbeattie Primary School is to prepare every child to take their place in society by providing high quality, engaging, inspiring and motivating learning experiences in a caring and nurturing environment.



## Our Aims

We aim to enable our children to become :

Successful Learners Confident Individuals
Effective Contributors Responsible Citizens

We encourage everyone to believe in themselves and each other and to achieve their very best.