



Darvel Primary School

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Welcome to the second issue of our new monthly school newsletter!

We hope you find the information and news helpful. Please let us know if you would like any other items featured in the newsletter. Remember to check the school app for updates and diary dates and events.

Parent Council

The Parent Council have set up a new Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/179769443990564/?ref=share>



On the page they will share school information and reminders, as well as updates from the Parent Council - including information about our **Christmas raffle** which is coming soon!

All Darvel Primary parents and carers are welcome to join the page, we'll just ask you to answer two quick questions and to agree to the rules of the group.

School Communication

Class newsletters will be posted on class glow blogs on the first of each month. They will be in a tab at the top of class blogs.

A whole school newsletter will be posted on the school blog in the middle of each month. This will provide parents with communication every two weeks. A link to the school blog can be found here -

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/ea/darvelprimary/>



We were successful! Thank you to everyone who voted.

We are delighted and very grateful to have been awarded £5000 lottery funding from The Discover Darvel Group.

We would love to hear your ideas on how we can use this money. Click on the link to complete the form.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=oyzTzM4Wj0KVQTctawUZKeFdSikm8V9OnFRMFbCEmi9UMVdBOUU0VFJOUVJXUU1ON082Rkk0OVBMNi4u>



Celebrating Success

Wider Achievement

Each month we would love to share pupil successes and wider achievements in this newsletter.

At Darvel Primary School we aim to recognise and celebrate the achievements of all our pupils both in and out of school. We would, therefore be delighted to hear about your child's achievements, whether that be sporting, musical, volunteering, caring for others or any other special news that makes you proud.

If your child has a success that you would like us to share in this newsletter please click on the link below to complete a form. Please remember to write in a contact number as we may wish to contact you for more details.

By clicking submit you agree and give permission for your child's first name and photograph, if applicable, to appear on our School Newsletter/School App/School Blog/Twitter page/Virtual News & Virtual Assembly.

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/ea/darvelprimary/wider-achievement-and-celebrating-success-form/>



Celebrating Success

Wider Achievement

This month we have two pupils' achievements to celebrate.

Aimée-Grace P4 RM12

She scored her first try after playing Rugby for 4 weeks! She plays at Irvine in a mixed team and plays all girls at Marr on a Sunday.

Well Done Aimée-Grace, great job!



Alex P4 RM12

Alex raised an amazing £1112 for Debra UK by walking/cycling 100km in August.

Debra are the charity who help people with EB. EB is a severe skin condition that Alex's wee brother has.

Fantastic Alex, we are very proud of your achievement!



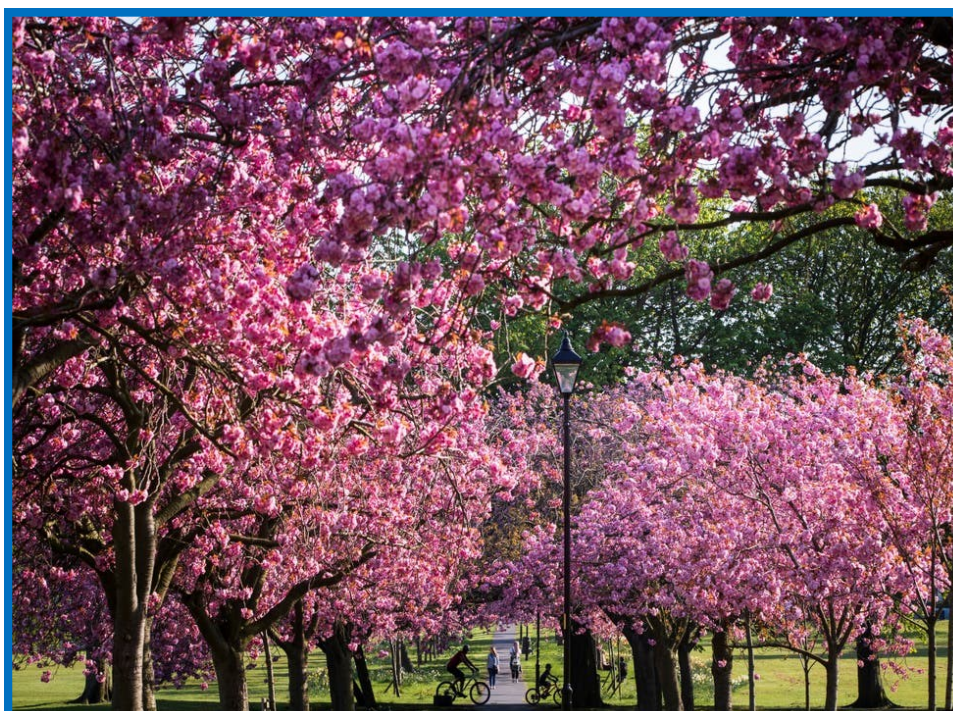
Mrs McGee's Bench

We are delighted to share with you a photograph of Mrs McGee's bench which has pride of place in our main entrance. A huge thank you to everyone who contributed to the purchase of this. Mrs McGee's family have been to school to see it. The bench is used daily by pupils and it really does brighten up our school just like Mrs McGee used to do.



Mrs Rutherford

We have had a site visit from a gardener and we are currently deciding on which types of blossom trees to purchase and possible planting locations in our playground. We hope to have an update on this very soon.



We will remember them.....

On Sunday 14th November we went along to the Remembrance Service to lay a poppy wreath at the memorial. Thank you to our Parent Council for providing the wreath and thanks to our pupils and parents who came along to support this.

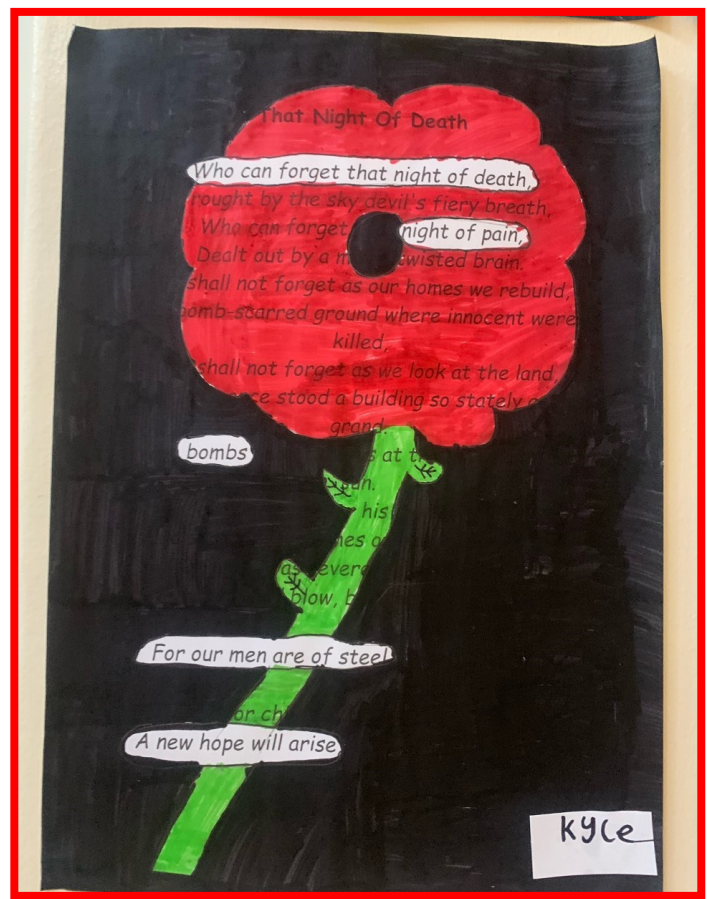
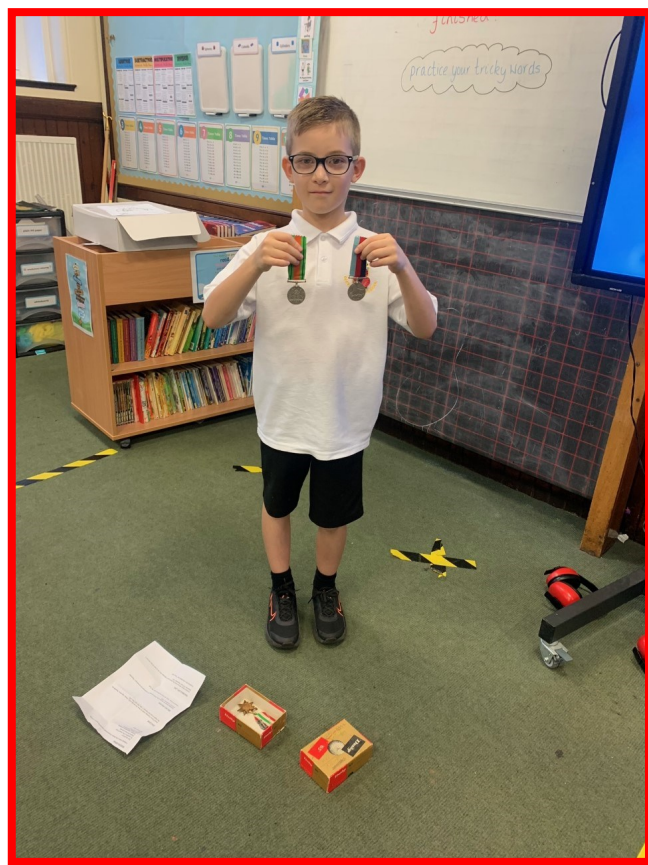
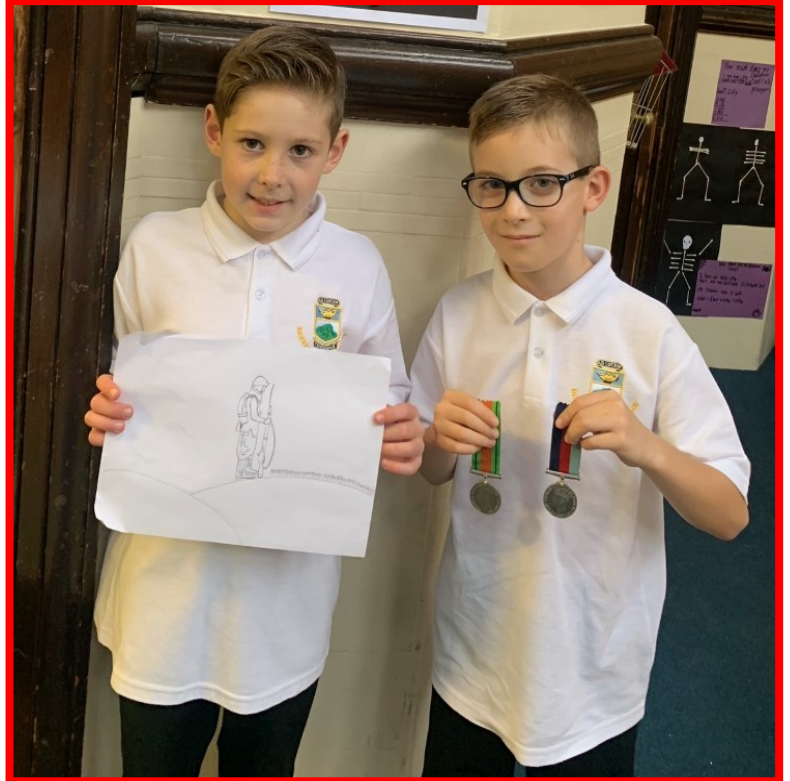


Have a look at our fabulous artwork.....



Primary 5b remembering those who served their country in conflict. They created Remembrance Day blackout poetry. They started with famous poems and selected key emotive language to create their own poem. They then drew an image which reflected remembrance day and blacked out everything else.

Rhys and Jay went home that night and returned with a relative's war medals and a detailed drawing of a soldier to share with the class. Well done boys and class 5b!"



School Refurbishment

We will be having some refurbishment work carried out in the school. This will be done in several phases, the first of which will be during the summer holidays in 2022.

The lower primary classes and the small hall will be in the first phase which will happen in the summer of 2022. R1, R2, R3, R4, R5 & R6 will be in this first phase.

Walls will be painted white with the lower half of walls fitted with a wipe able white plastic wall covering. New vinyl throughout, new white roller blinds throughout and radiators painted.

We will keep you updated on this throughout the session.

Christmas Activities

Wednesday 8th December

Christmas Lunch—details to follow



Friday 10th December



Virtual Panto—pupils will watch this in their classes. A drink and snacks are being provided by the Parent Council

Christmas Jumper Day— Optional, there is no need to go and buy a new Christmas Jumper. School uniform is fine.

Monday 13th December

Christmas Parties will begin this week. Exact dates and times will be posted on the school app. Each class will have their own party. A drink and snacks are being provided by the Parent Council.

Wednesday 22nd December

Non Uniform day—pupils can wear play clothes if they wish. School closes at 14.30. Taxi pupils collected at 14.00.