





May 2017



Littlemill Primary and Early Childhood Centre

Dates for your diary:

Monday 15th May Walk to School Week Saturday 27th May Gala Day, Drongan Monday 29th May school closed local holiday Thursday 1st June Sports Day (afternoon) Tuesday 6th and Wednesday 7th June bump up day for pupils Thursday 15th June whole school and ECC trip to Culzean Wednesday 28th June Prize Giving (morning) Thursday 29th June school closed 1pm for summer holiday



Ross with Elle during the playground leader training.



Spring Clean

Thank you to all the volunteers and pupils who made the spring clean a success. It's great to see the village and school brae looking clean and tidy. Hopefully we can keep it that way.

Thank you to Gary from EAC for organising the event and keeping everyone fed with burgers and juice.

Tesco Bags of Help - Climbing Boulder

Littlemill has the chance to win £4000 pounds courtesy of the Bags of Help team at Tesco and GroundWork UK. To win we require customers of Tesco to collect tokens at the checkout and deposit them into the Littlemill Project: 'Climbing Boulder'.

The climbing walls and boulders offer creative and adventurous play. They have recently been added to the play area at Culzean Castle and a climbing wall has been built for the pupils at Gargieston Primary, Kilmarnock.

I think the boulder will be a great addition to the school playground so please pass the word to shop at Tesco, Ayr. Thanks.





Easter Chicks

The hatching chicks created a fantastic opportunity to learn about lifecycles and caring for young animals. Everyone had a turn to feed, clean and handle the chicks.

Boys and girls enjoying World Book Day, dressed as their favourite characters.







In the Classrooms

P4-7 finished their topic with a trip to the amazing Stirling Castle where they toured the museum and castle buildings including the Palace of King James V. P1-3 completed their food topic with a farmers' market. There were stalls selling fresh produce and crafts. Parents and staff spent quite a lot of their own pocket money—thank you!

The nursery experimented with floating and sinking using pirate ships they had made.

This term all classes will join together to learn about coal mining and our local industrial heritage. This will link into the Gala Day theme.

Bump Up Days

Next month we will be inviting our pre-school children to attend Primary 1 as part of our transition process. They will spend the morning in their new classroom learning with the other boys and girls and then join together with the rest of the school for lunch. We would also like to invite our new nursery pupils to visit for a couple hours and meet their teachers.

We would like to wish Jake in P7 all the best for his transition to Auchinleck Academy.



House Points and Pineapple Rewards

The new House Point system introduced in August rewards pupils for using and following the class rules and charters. The pupils decided on their awards with the winning house receiving a trip with their house teacher at the end of June. House points will also be awarded at Sports Day - so all still to play for. Monthly awards have included a non uniform day, a King and Queen day, extra playtime and an afternoon at Dumfries House.

