

Nether Robertland Primary School April Newsletter











Head Teacher Update

Welcome, to April's newsletter.

I hope you, your family and friends have enjoyed your Easter break.

As we move into our last term of session 2022/2023, I felt it would be helpful to share some more of our successes and achievements from last term, as well as provide some details of what this busy term has in store.

I am very pleased to share that our January to March term was a hugely successful one. All of our young people are continuing to display our school values of **Respect, Responsibility, Determination and Teamwork** at every opportunity. This is now recognised further, when our children and young people display one of our school values, they are invited to wear a values lanyard with pride to share their achievement with everyone in our school community.



We have been reflecting on what each value of **Respect, Responsibility, Teamwork and Determination**, means to us. This has involved everyone reflecting on the following questions during Assembly and this has been focused on further by our Pupil Improvement Group (Now called our STARS — Students Thrive and Rise Squad).

What does each value **sound** like?

What does each value feel like?

What does each value look like?

The STARS group have taken all the feedback from their peers and have decided on what they feel is the common theme for each value and what they mean to the children and young people at Nether Robertland Primary School. They would now like to invite our staff and parents/carers to give them some feedback on what they have decided on. Please look out for the Form on our app in the coming days.

Communication - Safer Schools App

As you will be aware we stopped using our previous app at the end of March and all future communication messages will come via our new Safer Schools Scotland App.

The new Safer Schools Scotland app gives empowering, current and informative information on current digital platforms/tools/apps in an accessible manner. Within the app there are different users. Please find below details about how to download the app and set everything up.

- Go to your app store or Google Play and search for 'Safer School Scotland'
- Set up your account
- In the school field type 'Nether Robertland Primary'
- The code for Primary Parent/Carers is 2116
- To receive notifications we recommend enabling push notifications

You will find further information in the Safer Schools Scotland page (Parent Zone in menu) on our school Blog.

Please ensure that you download the app and get it set up to continue receiving communication from the school.

Some of Our Successes and Achievements – January to March 2023

- We had a further two Wider Achievement assemblies. It is wonderful to see the excitement, confidence and pride our children and young people display when sharing their achievement with the whole school community. If you missed the Wider Achievement app message that went out last month, you can now view this on our school Blog in the Pupil Zone.
- Our extremely knowledgeable Rotary Quiz team won the East Ayrshire heat and will now be taking Nether Robertland Primary to the District Rotary Quiz final in June. What an achievement!



• Mrs Lindsay and I have been enjoying spending time with some of our children and young people during Friday's SLTeatime (Sharing Learning Teatime). It is the highlight of our week joining in with learning conversations about learning, wider achievements and anything else they'd like to talk about, whilst having a snack and a cup of tea.







- During March, we had a very successful STEM Fortnight. This involved having many
 amazing visitors to our school including parents/carers who shared all about their jobs;
 being a Scuba Diver, Physiotherapist, Aerospace Stress Engineer, Geoscientist and even a
 Vet Nurse. Huge thanks to QTS Training and the STEM Ambassadors from Stewarton
 Academy for making our STEM Fortnight very successful. Good luck to all our children and
 young people with their Primary Engineer inventions.
- Well done to our P7 pupils who took part in Dancefest in March. They put on a spectacular dance routine which demonstrated the hard work and dedication of all involved.





Our ECO Group have been very busy trying to reduce the amount
of waste in our school. We use reusable cups and bottles in class
and encourage everyone to bring waste free snacks to help prevent
litter in our playground. Last term the Eco Group started to weigh
and monitor the amount of food waste from the lunch hall. I am
delighted to share that the amount of food waste is reducing!



• We will continue to share our successes and achievements in class and school through Twitter @ NetherRob_ps. Please follow us.

NRPS 50th Birthday

It is 50 years since Nether Robertland Primary School opened its doors. To mark this massive milestone, we will be having many events including a fun day on 23rd June, a birthday party and we will be creating a small exhibition. We look forward to sharing more about this as our plans develop.

Diary Dates

This term is shaping up to be a very busy one. Our school app will have all of the dates for events this term but I thought it would be helpful to provide these in this newsletter too.

Please note that some events may be subject to changes. If there are changes, this will be communicated through our school app.

April

17th April — Pupils return

20th April — P6 Level 2 Bikeability

20th April, 27th April, 4th May, 11th May, 18th and 25th May



26th April – Eco Group community litter pick

26th April — Photographer (P1 and P7 individual and P1 to P7 class)

27th April – P7 Parents' Information Evening (Stewarton Academy)

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1st May — Local holiday

2nd May – Wider Achievement Assembly

3rd May – Eco Group community litter pick

8th May – Additional local holiday (Coronation)

9th May – Parent Council meeting at 7.15pm (Nether Robertland Primary)

11th May – P3 to Glasgow Central Mosque

15th May – P5 swimming lesson to start (6 weeks)

• 15th May, 22nd May, 5th June, 12th June, 19th June and 26th June

15th May — Walk to School Week

18th May — Book Fayre arrives

23rd and 24th May – P7 to S1 Induction Days

25th May – Parents' Evening

26th May – Local holiday

29th May – Local holiday

30th May — In-service day for staff

31st May — Pupils return

June

1st June — New P1 Parent Information Session at 5pm to 6pm (Nether Robertland)

6th June – P6 and P7 trip to Titanic Museum

6th June – Session 1 Bikeability Level 1 for P5

7th June — P1, P4 and P5 trip to Science Centre

13th June – Wider Achievement Assembly

13th June – Session 2 Bikeability Level 1 for P5

15th June – Sports Day

- P4 to P7 at 10.45am 12pm (Stewarton Academy Courts)
- P1 to P3 at 2pm 3pm (Nether Robertland Primary)

16th June – Nether Robertland Bonnet Guild Float

17th June — Choir singing at Bonnet Guild Church Service

19th June – P7 School Show (Time TBC)

20th June – P7 School Show (Time TBC)

21st June – P2 and P3 trip to Amazonia

22nd June – Bump-up day (Transition)

22nd June – P7 Leavers' Party (Time TBC)

23rd June – Whole school fun day and 50th birthday celebration

28th June — End of term Church and Celebrating Success Service at 11am (St Columba's)

29th June — Winning House reward

30th June — School closes at 1pm for Summer break

August

17th and 18th August — In-service day for staff

21st August — Pupils return

Kind regards, Mrs Beveridge

