

Crookfur Primary March 2015



Daffodil Tea

Primary 3 & 4 are performing at their 'Daffodil Tea' on Wednesday 1st April at 2pm. They are looking forward to entertaining parents and friends. Tea and coffee will be served following the show. Tickets for the event will be available from the school office. More information to follow.

Parents Meetings

Parents evenings are on Wednesday 25th March from 5.00 – 8.00 and Thursday 26th March from 4.00 – 6.30. At that meeting you will have an opportunity to see your child's work for last term and this term. If you have any concerns about any aspects of your child's education, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Members of the Management Team will be available during the evening if you wish to speak to us; Miss Graham for P5 – 7, Mrs Nisbet for P2, P4 and Miss Biggart for P3 as well as myself.

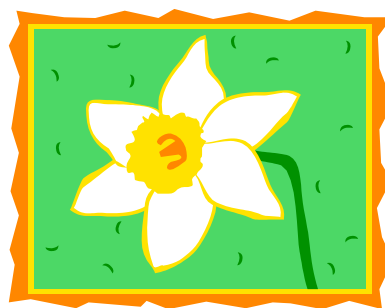


Dates this term

Parents' Evenings: Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th March
Holiday: Friday 3rd April – Friday 17th April,
School re-opens Monday 20th April
Holiday: Monday 4th May
School closed: 7th May – General Election
Holiday: 22nd and 25th May
In-service day: Tuesday 26th May
School closes on Wednesday 24th June for the summer holiday.

Parent Partnership Event

This event will take place on Wednesday 5th March, 7pm in the school. Mark Ratter, Senior Education Manager will deliver a presentation on assessment, including standardised testing and how the information is used to ensure your child makes progress with their learning. School staff will discuss how they use assessment every day in the classroom and the importance of involving pupils in their learning. It is hoped for a large turnout of parents at this event.



Parent Workshops

Nursery Parents'
Wednesday 18th March
7pm

Primary Parents'
Monday 23rd March, 7pm



Managing my child's behaviour

Please come along to this informative workshop, presented by Joyce Fullarton (former Principal Educational Psychologist with East Renfrewshire)

Parent Council (Fundraising Committee)

Family Night

On Friday 13th March, we are looking forward to hosting a film night. Families are invited to come along and sing-a-long to the movie 'Frozen'. Tickets are available from the school office. Admission is by ticket only.

Parent Council Summer Fayre:
Saturday 6th June.

Pupil Focus Groups

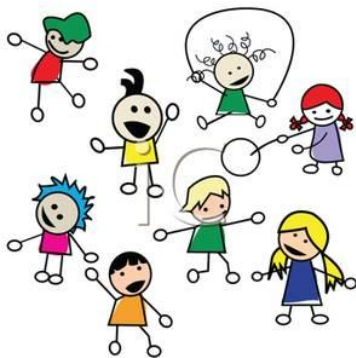
Our Pupil Focus Groups continue to go from strength to strength. Please read some of their blogs below.

Choir

We have been learning some spring songs for the Easter service, and we have been organising lots of performances for the summer. We have taken turns conducting and singing songs in front of the rest of the Choir, and having a laugh whilst singing silly songs from "The Singing Kettle."

Mrs Robertson has been pushing us to do our best and we have really developed our vocals, and we have had lots of fun doing it! We also had a really successful Christmas. We learnt loads of songs for the Community Unity Events with St. Cadocs and IMS. It was really fun, especially the solos that a good part of the Choir auditioned for! Hopefully we will be doing more auditions soon, and more people will try out!

Choir has been a blast this year, we have all learnt so much, and are really looking forward to seeing what we will be doing next!
(by Keira and Katie P7)



Eco Group

The ECO group had great time on Friday with a visit from the Wild About Scotland Bus. P2 – P7 pupils from the Eco-group got to get their hands dirty in a variety of interactive and fun lessons which focused on Scottish native species, their habitats and environments.

The children learned all about the Scottish wildcat and how there are only 400 left. They learned how to identify them through studying their markings, skulls, and footprints.

Global Charity

The global charity focus group are hosting a talent show (Crookfur's Got Talent) in aid of Worldwide Cancer. The auditions for the P1-P4's are on the 20th Feb and the auditions for the P5-P7's are on the 27th Feb, both during focus group time and golden time. The finalists show will be on 20th March at 2:30pm in the hall. Tickets will cost a £1 donation from each pupil on the day. The winner will receive a £10 gift voucher for Silverburn and there will also be raffle prizes. Raffle tickets cost 20p for 1 or 50p for 3 with a range of great prizes to be won!. Any donations for the raffle are welcome (Child friendly prizes please, no alcohol)

Community Unity

Right now in community unity focus group we have been working with Isobel Mair school to create presentations on 3 rights. We split up into 3 groups and we each looked at one right. The rights were "the right to relax and play" "the right to primary and secondary education that must be free and richer countries have to help poorer countries achieve this" "the right to a standard of living that is good enough to meet their physical, social and mental need. Governments must help families who cannot afford this." For the right to relax and play Hannah had to create a PowerPoint that includes pictures of working children and their story as the script and everybody else in that group will act out what they do to relax and play. For the right about primary and secondary education we decided to edit and say Malala Yousafzai's speech and act out boys who go to school and how the girls have to work. For the last right we had to act out a family in another country where the mum lost her job and how the children had to work.

We have really worked hard and hopefully it will pay off when we do the peace march. We have all enjoyed working with Isobel Mair school.

Written by Alyson and Hannah (P7)

Rights Respecting

The rights respecting focus group have been working closely with the global citizenship group to work towards achieving our level 1 of the rights respecting award. We have asked the school to make paper hands with rights on them which they think every child should have. What we have done with the paper hands is made a display of the world which shows that everyone should have the same rights as us. We are hoping to achieve this award by showing a closer bond with the global citizenship group.

Written by Junaid and Ruaridh P6

Outdoor Learning

Today it was snowing! so we went outside to build snowmen and have a bit of fun in the snow. Some people built a husband and wife snowman, and some people made snow angels, we also made hand prints on our tree stumps. We took loads of pictures.

Written by Sophie Adkin P7 and Sophie Orr P6

School Blogs

Class, school and focus group blogs are available on the school website. Please click on the link to see them!

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/er/Crookfur/>

E-Portfolios

Parents of pupils in P5 – P7 are invited to the ICT suite on Parents' Evening to view their child's E-Portfolio. You will have been given a time prior to your appointment with the teacher. This is an excellent opportunity to find out about profiling and to look at some of the super work your child has been doing!

Book Fayre!

The Book Fayre will be on the stage area at Parents' Evening. The school receives commission from any books sold. We recently bought new books for our home reading programme using money from the previous book fayre.



School Values

School staff, Pupil Council and Parent Council have been discussing what our school vision and values should be. We are keen to find out what you value about Crookfur. Please note below what you think we should value as a school.

Parent

All meetings for the Parent Council start at 7pm and are held in the ICT suite in the school.

Thursday 23rd April 15

Thursday 21st May 15

Council

The Parent Council have been discussing the schools values and aims and what makes Crookfur the school it is! They have also been recommending workshops for parents. Please see attached/



**We are keen to hear your views. What should our school value?
Here are some of the values we have been talking about.**

Friendship, Respect, Kindness, Fairness, Honesty, Equality, Ambition

Please hand into the school office. Thank you

Name of pupil _____ Class _____

Parent Signature _____