

Cross Arthurlie Primary School
Headteacher's Report
5th March 2019

Staffing

There are no staffing updates this month.

School Improvement Plan

Literacy and Numeracy

One group of staff have been working with Miss Rice on 'professional enquiries' in reading and another with Mrs Duncan on maths. Each teacher has taken a piece of current educational research and tried it out in their class for a few weeks to see if it supports the improvement of teaching and learning. Both groups of teachers are preparing to share their results with the whole staff team.

Nurture

As a cluster we have been working to ensure that nurturing principles are embedded throughout the school. Staff have completed an online questionnaire and during parents' nights we will be looking to gather parents' views on how nurturing they feel Cross Arthurlie is... please support us by participating in this survey.

Budget

The Councillors agreed the budget for the next year and this was shared with Head Teachers last Thursday. Like other Local Authorities ERC have to make significant savings over the next few years in order to maintain a balanced budget. Details on the budget can be obtained at : <https://www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/article/10058/Budget-set-for-201920>

Other News

Primary 5 are leaving for Belmont tomorrow and are very excited!

We have been competing in a number of competitions this month. P6 were in the Euro Quiz; P6&7 were at cross country; P6&7 participated in sportshall athletics; children at all stages took part in the XA factor and we are all currently enjoying participating in the 'Beat The Street' initiative.

With the support of Confucius funding we are delighted to be running another family Chinese cookery club. Primary 6 are heading off to visit the pandas at Edinburgh zoo and we have been celebrating the Year of the Pig. Throughout the school we have also be focusing on learning new skills in art, connected to China. We are very proud of our art work and as well as being on display during parents' night, it will be available to buy for a donation to school funds.

Parking continues to be a concern and we are continuing to engage with staff from roads representatives from the school and parent council took part in the consultation exercise around the 'school run', the findings of which will be disseminated when available.

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