Kirkhill Parent Council Newsletter

Dear Parents & Carers:



And so another term ends! It may have been the shortest term for our children's footfall on school grounds, but to all parents/carers who have endured these weeks of home-schooling, this has been one LONG haul since January 11th!

This week our P7s got their Leavers' hoodies. We should've ordered CAPES for all our parents and carers - if there were ever superheroes, surely they were!

I want to take this opportunity to commend you all for your perseverance, cooperation and support for our teachers along with your children in helping deliver remote learning while also coping with the day-to-day washing, cleaning, cooking, grocery shopping; all this while some of us worked, or on furlough, while others who had work but not anymore and had worries about the future...the list goes on.

I'd like to remind everyone that if you have found yourselves in difficulties - whichever cause, whether financial, emotional, mental health - there are numerous avenues of support for you and your families, some of which I have listed below:

National Parent Forum of Scotland: www.npfs.org.uk - provides links to organisations which offer advice on a broad spectrum of topics, presented through a series of resources as 'Nutshells'

Money Advice and Rights Team (MART): https://www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/mart - many families have unfortunately found themselves in a compromised financial position in the last year. Help is available - ERC has its own team of advisors for help and support with any money concerns, including knowledge and advice on support and entitlements available, and assistance with completing application forms, etc

Parents and Carers of East Renfrewshire (PACER): https://www.facebook.com/ParentsAndCarersofEastRenfrewshire - this is a great local group available through Facebook, for those with children with Additional Support Needs (ASN). They provide great support, advice and communication

Parent Club Scotland: www.parentclub.scot - for almost anything and everything you can think of...they have it covered!

As always, I am just at the end of an email or phone call for any advice and happy to point you in the correct direction.

On behalf of everyone on the Parent Council, we all wish you a safe and peaceful spring break, and look forward to our return to school in a fortnight. Stay Blessed!

Sidra x
Parent Council Chair