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Parents' Evenings

We had our recent Parents' Evenings during the week beginning 7.3.22. Having used the online Parents' Evening Booking System on a number of occasions, with varying degrees of success, I have to say that on this occasion it worked the best it has ever worked. There were far fewer failures than ever before and where it did fail to connect we made every effort to catch up with parents as soon as possible after the event. I'm not quite sure how long this is going to continue but on a positive I feel that we finally have a system that is working and relatively reliable.

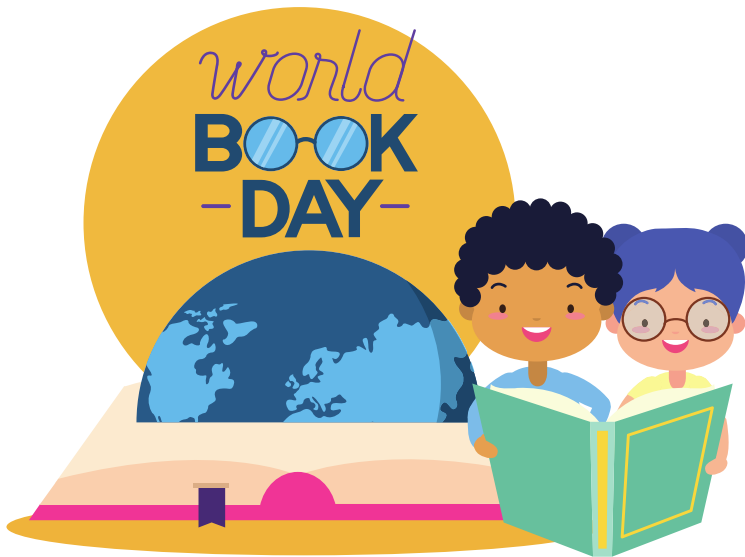


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Well, that's Term 3 coming to an end. Term 3 is one of those terms where teachers get most of their work done. It starts off dark and miserable in the middle of winter and then ends up light and warm with Spring.

The weather in the last couple of weeks has certainly made it more Spring like.

Fingers crossed it continues....



World Book Day

On 3rd March, we enjoyed celebrating World Book Day. As well as celebrating by dressing up, dressing down or wearing World Book Day t-shirts, each class enjoyed a variety of book related activities. The pupils then shared what they had done with other classes during a whole school assembly. The activities that the pupils took part in included, sharing favourite books, creating a class library area, sharing a class book, completing activities about the book, and writing books to share with younger pupils. We hope that the day helped foster a love of reading for enjoyment in the pupils.

Ardroy

The P7 pupils got away to the Ardroy Outdoor Education centre last week. This was great news as they had not been able to go since 2020.

As usual they seemed to have a fantastic time taking part in all the different activities on offer. They certainly scored with the weather with wall to wall sunshine over the weekend. I know that when they look back at their time at school this will be what they remember. They won't remember that fantastic maths lesson or the time they played the xylophone but they will remember their time at Ardroy.

I would like to offer a big thanks to all the staff who attended - That is Mrs Saxton, Mr Tollick, Mrs Mitchell and Mrs Robinson. Without them volunteering to give up their weekend and spend it with the pupils then this would not happen. Mrs Saxton in particular has worked exceptionally hard to ensure this happened. Not only has she been doing her normal job as DHT, she has also been teaching P4 two and a half days a week and organising Ardroy on top of this.

Term 4

I have put in the dates for term 4. Although I'm not expecting things to change too much you can never tell these days.

More information will follow regarding many of these dates after the Easter Holidays.

There are other dates which will need to be confirmed such as when school reports will be issued and also when new classes will be confirmed but this will be done after Easter.

Term 4 Dates

Monday 2nd May	Public Holiday (School Closed to Pupils)
Tuesday 3rd May	Parent Council meeting
Thursday 5th May	InService Training / Local Elections (School Closed to Pupils)
Friday 27th May	Masterton Mile
Friday 3rd June	The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Holiday (School Closed to Pupils)
Monday 6th June	Public Holiday (School Closed to Pupils)
Tuesday 7th June	Sports Day
Tuesday 14th / Wednesday 15th / Thursday 16th June	P7 - S1 Transition Days (Dunfermline High School)
Thursday 30th June	School Closes at 3 pm for the Holidays

Outdoor Learning

In Term 4 we are looking towards all classes carrying out a number of linked lessons in the outdoors. All teachers have been planning for different outdoor activities linked to the curriculum or their topic for that term. Outdoor Learning is one of our priorities on our School Improvement Plan for this session so this will help support this.

And finally.....

As we move into the summer term we are hopeful that things will continue to improve and that there will be less restrictions on us and what we are doing. It feels like we are beginning to move back into more 'normal' times and to be honest I am really glad of this.

I would like to wish everyone a really enjoyable couple of weeks' holiday.

Regards

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