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# MASTERTON NEWS

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## Children's Gala

I popped up to the gala on Saturday just past. It's always good to see all the schools taking part. I remember taking part in the gala as a child many years ago and having a great time. Masterton had a very good turn out and I managed to spend some time chatting to a number of people. The carnival theme was great and there were lots of different costumes and colours.

My thanks to the organisers as it's a big job and without their effort it wouldn't take place. A special thanks to Mrs Fyfe as our rep as she did a great job right across the whole year. This will also be Mrs Fyfe's last year as our gala rep as her son, Scott, will be leaving to go to High School. I'd like to offer her my personal thanks for all the work she has done over the years for the school. She will be missed.

Thank You

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June is always the busiest month of the year in a primary school and this year was no different. It's been pretty relentless for the last few weeks but with the summer holidays rapidly approaching I managed to find time to squeeze out one final newsletter. There's a lot happened in the last few weeks so apologies if I've missed anything.

## In the School

The final few sporting events of the year have now taken place. The school football team took part in the Fife Cup Finals in Glenrothes. They did exceptionally well qualifying for the top tier (4<sup>th</sup> time in a row) and finishing 4<sup>th</sup> overall. Well done to all the players! It's never easy when you are playing in the top tier but they demonstrated the hard work and effort to be able to compete at that level.



Miss English took two groups of P.3 and P.4 pupils to play tennis. They thoroughly enjoyed the days, performed well and the weather was good to them.

We were very fortunate with Sports Day this year. The day before the races were due to take place it poured and the weather forecast was for more rain. However, on the day of the races it was (mostly) dry and we were able to carry them out. Thanks to everyone who turned up to support the children and cheered them on.

A lot of transition events have been taking place at either end of the school.

Our incoming P.1 pupils have had a number of visits to their new classes as well as to meet their new teachers. The visits have been very well attended and it has been good to see so many keen, enthusiastic children (and staff obviously). They had their Teddy Bears picnic where the P.1s met their buddies as well as enjoying their picnic. The transitions seem to have gone well and our soon to be new P.1s look ready for school.

Our outgoing P.7s have been away to their respective High Schools for their visits. As usual on their return I was told by the pupils that High School was better than Primary School (not true) and they were looking forward to going (true). I always think that at this stage / age they are ready for High School and this bunch are no different.

## Staffing

As normal we have some staff leaving us this year. Unfortunately, it is not always through choice that staff leave but often through contracts ending.

Miss Llewellyn will be leaving us. Miss Llewellyn has done a great job teaching the P.2/3 class, getting to know the children very well and seeing them make great progress. I'm sure she will be snapped up by some other school very quickly.

Mrs Dargie will also be leaving. Mrs Dargie came in to cover for a short term sickness absence and ended up staying for over a year. Her depth of knowledge and keen interest in the outdoors made for very interesting lessons. Whenever I saw her outside I was always intrigued by what she was doing. No doubt she'll be back.

## Staffing (Cont'd)

Mr Hopper will be leaving. Mr Hopper was a very popular member of staff and his pupils clearly thought the world of him. Any time I was in his class they were so keen to do their best for him and wanted to please him.

Miss Ireland will also be leaving. Miss Ireland was actually a pupil at Masterton near the start of when I became the headteacher here so it will be the second time she leaves. It's been good to see her develop as a teacher and no doubt will continue to develop as a teacher.

I'd like to wish everyone who is leaving all the best and thank them for their time at Masterton PS.

A separate letter was sent confirming staffing and classes for next session. I will update this at the start of the session in August in case any changes have been made.

All  Best

THANK  
YOU

And finally.....

BEST WISHES!



I would like to wish our P.7 pupils all the best for High School. They have been working hard this term to put together their Year Book as well as their end of term show. They also have an evening in the school as well as a final party on the last day to look forward to. Having seen them start in P.1 and seeing them leave in P.7 is always a bit bitter sweet as although they are ready for High School they will be missed. They have been a great bunch and I know they will do well.

Finally I would like to wish everyone a wonderful Summer Holiday! No matter what you are doing or where you are going, I hope it goes well.

The school re-opens to pupils on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> August at 9am.

Regards

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ENJOY THE  
SUMMER

