

IBROX PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY CLASS

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OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Ibrox Primary School and Nursery Class,
I hope you have all had an enjoyable October holiday. I am looking forward to welcoming the children back to school for the start of Term 2. I have included details of events and planned learning opportunities for the children this month within the newsletter. I will also share with you in the next week a calendar for December activities and events so you can add these dates to your diary.
Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries or concerns. You can contact the school office to speak to the SLT, speak to a member of the SLT in the playground before or after school or email headteacher@ibrox-pri.glasgow.sch.uk
As always, thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Fiona Young
Head Teacher

Whole School Fundraiser Sponsored Walk Thursday 8th October

IBROX WALKS FOR WELLBEING

What an amazing success this event was! THANK YOU to our amazing children for WALKING, THANK YOU to our amazing families for the support raising money by organising SPONSORS and finally THANK YOU to Mrs MacKinnon, the amazing Fundraising Committee & our parent members of the Fundraising Committee for organising the event.

I am delighted to share that we have raised £1836, so far. This is an incredible amount of money that will go directly towards opportunities and experiences for our children. If you still have sponsor money, you can still hand it in to the school office until Friday 23rd October.

More details about how the money will be used, will be shared after the Fundraising Committee have met to discuss it. Parents/carers will also be asked how they think it should be spent.

We also used the event to raise awareness of World Mental Health Day which was on 10th October. We encouraged children to wear YELLOW for the charity YOUNGMINDS. This charity supports young people's mental health. We agreed to donate money from this fundraiser to the charity. After consultation with children, staff and parents/carers, this total will be decided and shared with our families and then a cheque will be sent to the charity.

HALLOWEEN at IBROX PS

Friday 30th October

Halloween Fun Day for all classes which will include a disco, games, snacks and other spooky activities.

Our Parent Council will be decorating the hall which the children love!

Children can come to school in fancy dress but no scary masks or props please!

There is NO COST to this event.

There will be pre-loved costumes available for children who need them, before the event. If you have any old costumes that are in good condition we would be delighted if you could donate them to the school.



Attendance

As you know, improving attendance at Ibrox Primary School is always a priority.

Here is a summary of our annual attendance over the past 3 years -
23/24 = 93.1%
24/25 = 92.4%
25/26 = 91%

The attendance target for GCC is 94% which is what we are aiming for. Our current attendance dropped from 95.1% in September to 94% on 9th October.

Primary 3 were the class with the highest average attendance for September...I wonder which class will have the highest average attendance in October?

Key Dates

Monday 26th - Friday 30th October - P6 Into University Focus Week

Friday 30th October - Halloween Day at Ibrox - children are welcome to come to school in fancy dress, if they wish.

Monday 2nd - Friday 6th November - Whole School Learning Week - Culture / Modern Foreign Languages focus

Thursday 12th November - Progress Meetings (parent/carer meetings with teacher) - 3.30-7.30pm

Monday 23rd - Friday 27th November - Whole School Learning Week - STEAM focus

Friday 11th December - Flu Vaccinations

Friday 11th December - pm - CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Collaborative Improvement Visit

We welcomed a team of educational professionals from across the city to our school on 6th and 7th October. The aim of this visit was to work with them to look at an area of our practice and identify within this our strengths as well as aspects we could improve on. Our focus was on "Meeting Learners' Needs at Ibrox PS". To start the visit I gave a presentation about the school and how we support our learners.

Following this, the team visited classes to observe learning and teaching, they had conversations with children, staff, parents/carers & partners who support the work of the school, our children & families. SLT also had a number meetings focussing on themes such as Attendance, Additional Support Needs, Tracking of Attainment and Achievement, Nurture and Care Experienced Learners.

I am delighted to share that the feedback from the team was very positive. They could not speak highly enough about our children. They talked about the passion, commitment and care of everyone associated with the school. I could not be prouder of #TeamIbrox

We were given suggestions of areas to review and ways we could improve our practice. I will outline these in a follow up newsletter focussing on our improvement journey.

Pantomime Goldilocks & the 3 Bonnie Bears Pavilion Theatre 4th December 2026

A reminder that on the 4th December we are going to the pantomime! It will be a wonderful experience for our children. Before and after the trip classes will take part in learning linked to the theatre and Fairy Tales which will enhance the experience even further.

We do appreciate this trip is expensive. We are trying to minimise financial costs for our families so this will be our main trip of the school year. Our summer trip will be somewhere local, with no cost. Although, due to the amazing amount raised through our Sponsored Walk we might be able to pay for a Summer Trip for the children or use the money to reduce the cost of the trip to the pantomime. We intend to consult families on what we should do.

Tickets to the pantomime are £18.50. The school will contribute £3.50 per child reducing the cost for families.

Ms Turner (clerical assistant) has a dance school which donates to a charity each year. This year she has agreed to pay for our bus for the trip as their charity donation. THANK YOU.

Currently the total cost for each child is £15. For families with more than 2 children, there will be a reduction to the cost.

Payments have been added to Parent Pay. Thank you to those who have made a payment /paid in full. The 3rd payment of £5 is due in November. Payment is due to the theatre soon so if you have not yet made a payment we would appreciate if you could do this as soon as possible.

If you would prefer to pay in cash, you can do this at the school office.

If anyone has any worries about paying for this trip, please speak to a member of the SLT.



Lifelink

We have been able to arrange for Lifelink to work in the school for the next 4 Mondays to support selected groups of children from P5, P6 and P7 with their mental health and wellbeing. This is being funded through the Scottish Government budget which is provided to allow children to access counselling support, as required. We will also have a Lifelink counsellor providing 1-1 support in November.

A link to refer your child for this support has been sent to P5-P7 parents/carers. Staff can also refer children for support and children can self-refer.

