



Newton Farm Primary School Newsletter

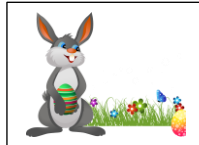


Dear Parents and Carers,

We have reached the end of another busy term here in Newton Farm Primary, we have listed information on a few of our events below. Thank you for all your help and encouragement with these, we couldn't provide all of these experiences without your support. Thank you too to all of the parent helpers who have accompanied classes on their trips over the past few weeks. You will read more on how much the children enjoyed these visits below. We have also had lots of sporting events this term, including our Dance Team taking part in the SLC Dance Festival this week where they performed in Rutherglen Town Hall and had an amazing reception from the audience – well done to Miss Tighe and the Dance Team we are all very proud of you! I hope you all have a wonder Easter break and we look forward to seeing everyone again on 15th April.

Kind regards

Mrs C Meechan



School Fundraising Event

Last Friday, we held our Easter Obstacle Course in the gym hall; planned and organised by Innes and Evie, our Head Pupils. It was a fun-filled day of jumping, climbing, balancing, crawling and so much more. We even had a special appearance by the Easter Bunny! Thanks to everyone's support, we have raised an amazing £4313.29 for school funds. We are so overwhelmed by this fantastic amount and are grateful to everyone who sponsored our pupils. This money will be used to fund transport to various events, to buy additional resources for lessons such as baking ingredients or science materials, to fund special treats for pupils and so much more. We really cannot thank you enough!

Class Trips Update

What a busy term we have had with all our pupils venturing out of school to continue their learning further afield through their class trips. Room 14 finished this off yesterday with yet another successful outing. Throughout the course of the year all our children have had the opportunity to attend an educational visit, which, through consultation with our whole school community, was funded with our Participatory Budget money. Rooms 1-4 had a fabulous time at Amazonia. Rooms 5-7 enjoyed seeing the animals at the National Museum of Country Life. Rooms 9,11 and 13 had an amazing time exploring The Science Centre. Rooms 10 and 25 had great fun outdoors at Calderglen Country Park. Rooms 12 and 22 enjoyed visiting Riverside Museum. Rooms 14-16 participated in a fabulous Art workshop when they visited Kelvingrove Art Gallery. Rooms 17,18, 26 and 27 had such an amazing experience at Dynamic Earth. Rooms 19, 20 and our P6 pupils in R21 spent the day exploring the Burrell Collection. Rooms 21 (P7), 23 and 24 were the first children from Newton Farm PS to attend Strathclyde University for STEM workshops. We have been so proud of our pupils throughout this term, showing exemplary behaviour whilst out representing Newton Farm Primary. Feedback from our pupils, staff and parents/carers has been very positive. We would like to thank all our parents/carers/family members who have given up their time to accompany our pupils.

Cross Country Team

Our P6 and P7 cross country team have enjoyed some great successes this term, picking up a number of individual and team medals at recent competitions. At the Camglen event, both our P6 and P7 boys' teams won gold team medals, whilst Innes won gold in the P7 boys' race, Boo won silver in the P7 girls' and Rory won gold in the P6 boys'. Seven of our runners also qualified for the SLC Finals at Chatelherault Park on 27th March, with Boo picking up the bronze medal in the P7 girls' race and Rory winning the bronze in the P6 boys' race - all in very muddy conditions! Well done to all of our runners!

Football Events

Our P6/7 girls' football team performed brilliantly at the recent football festival where they were undefeated in all of their matches! The Primary 6 and 7 boys' team are also doing well in their league, having won their first two league games of the season. Both teams continue to train hard and are looking forward to more events next term. Well done to all!

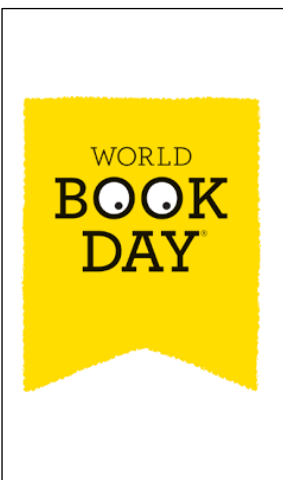
Autism Awareness Week

This week we have been celebrating Autism Acceptance Week. All children have been taking part in learning about Autism within their classrooms. On Wednesday we had a coffee afternoon for parents, during the coffee afternoon we raised awareness by listening to information about Autism from a child's point of view. Thank you to everyone who came along, it was lovely to see so many faces. Thank you also to the staff and parents who baked and donated cakes for the event. An extra special thank you goes to the pupil council for helping organise and lead the coffee afternoon they were a credit to the school as always. Today staff and children are dressing down or dressing in different colours to represent that we are all different. We also have a child of one of the staff joining us today to speak to the upper school classes about his own experience with Autism. We have been raising money throughout the week via the coffee afternoon and dress down day for the National Autistic Society (NAS).

Thank you to everyone who has donated!



World Book Day



The whole school had an amazing time celebrating all things books and reading on Thursday 7th March. Our Reading Ambassadors did an amazing job organising activities for everyone. We had book quizzes which were a huge success, and all the children just loved going to different classes to do some buddy reading. The children loved wearing their comfy clothes and bringing blankets and teddies to get cosy for an extended DEAR time. We had our very own podcast; the reading ambassadors interviewed some teachers who have a passion for reading. Everyone loved hearing their recommendations and books that are meaningful to them and that they enjoyed as children. Our Reading Ambassadors also did some buddy reading, both with our own nursery children and at Millburn nursery. It was a fantastic day and there was a real buzz about the school. Great to see our whole school engaged in and loving reading all day! Well done and thanks to all our Reading Ambassadors led by Miss McIver; Imaan, Cameron, Kreena, Poppy, Jackson and Emily.

Dates for your Diary

April

- 15/4/24 – School re-opens
- 16/4/24 – New P1 Induction visits begin
- 25/4/24 – P2 Learning Showcase 1.40pm – 2.40pm
- 30/4/24 – Biscuit & Blether

May

- 2/5/24 – Inservice Day
- 3/5/24 – Non Uniform Day
- 6/5/24 - Holiday
- 16/5/24 – Parents' Night
- 20/5/24 – 23/5/24 – Health Week
- 21/5/24 – Sports Day (weather permitting)
- 23/5/24 – Superhero Day for Kilbryde Hospice
- HOLIDAY – May Weekend – Friday 24th and Monday 27th
- 31/5/24 – Non Uniform Day

June

- 4/6/24 – Biscuit & Blether
- 13/6/24 – Parents' Open Afternoon
- 25/6/24 – P7 Leavers Assembly – 9.30am
- 25/6/24 – P7 Leavers Party – 6pm – 8.30pm
- 26/6/24 – Last day of term – Non Uniform Day – school closes at 1pm



Parent Council Easter Competition

Thank you for all your entries for the Parent Council Design an Easter Egg Competition. The variety of designs submitted was amazing. All entries (Eggs) were returned to the children so should be in their bags when they get home. The parent council have chosen winners for each class and for the Nursery and the prizes were issued to pupils today. Well done to all the winners, you will see their pictures on the Blog later today. Thank you to the Parent Council for their easter egg gifts for the children today too



Communication – Parents and carers can contact us at any time and we are always pleased to hear your views and for you to update us on any concerns you or your child has. We would much rather you let us know as soon as you or your child are worried so we can help as best we can. Please don't wait but contact us on **0141 642 0333 for school** or email gw17newtonfarmoffice@glow.sch.uk and your query will be dealt with by the relevant member of staff.