

JANUARY 2024 NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our first Newsletter of 2024! I hope you all had a relaxing Christmas break, it has been lovely to welcome all the pupils back to school and hear all their stories. There is a lot planned for this term so please remember to take time to read the dates for the diary at the back of this to ensure you have plenty of notice of events etc.

I would like to thank the Parent Council for their support at the end of last term in providing all pupils with a snack and drink to enjoy at the pantomime. Our next Parent Council meeting is Thursday 15th February in the school at 6:00pm. It would be lovely to see some new faces along to our meetings to support the school. Please contact the school or the Parent Council if you would like more information.

This term within our school improvement plan, which can be found on our website, our main focus is going to be to refresh our vision, values, aims and curriculum rationale. For this I am looking for your support and would like to invite you to a workshop on **Thursday 29th February from 5:30pm-7:30pm** within the school. During this workshop I will give you an idea of where we are as a school and collaboratively we can then re-evaluate our current vision, values, aims and curriculum rationale. I will also be able to share pupil feedback on this with you, so you can see what pupils feel is valuable to them. It is important we seek all stakeholder views so we can have a shared understanding of what the ethos, curriculum and community should be within Dalry Primary School. Nearer the time I will put out a Microsoft forms so I can get a rough idea of how many families wish to attend. I hope to see you there!

Kind Regards,

Louise Syme

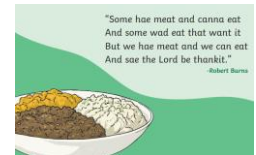
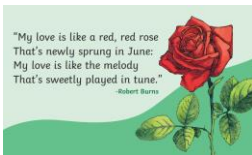
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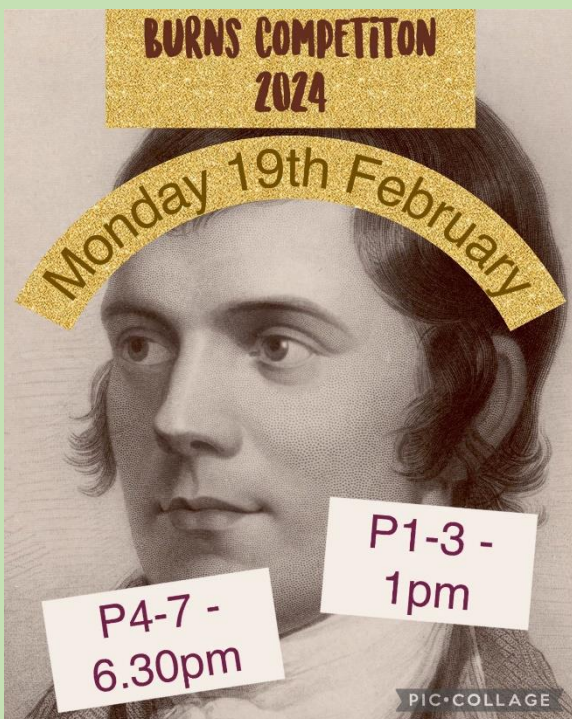
STEAM Week

We are on the lookout again for any parents/carers or family members who have a job or expertise in the Science, Technology, Engineering, Art or Maths areas to come into school and support our STEAM week which will be on the week beginning 11th March.

If you feel that you could support with visits and/or activities this week then please contact the school office and they will get our STEAM Committee to contact you and make arrangements.



Burns Competition



We are looking forward to our annual Burns Competition which is always very well supported. It is always a delight to hear our pupils so confidently recite their poems and songs.

The support from the Dalry Burns Club is greatly appreciated.

We look forward to welcoming you on Monday 19th February.



Car Park

A reminder that Lidl have agreed we can use their carpark so you can then walk to school from there with your child, this will reduce the congestion in the carpark and in turn make it safer for your child.

The Rights Respecting Committee and the Junior Road Safety Officers have been looking closely at our car park and look forward to launching their new campaign in the coming weeks.



Bovaer Day at DSM

Thank you to all of our amazing artists who were chosen to take part in the Bovaer day at DSM Dalry as part of their Climate Change project. This is an exciting new product being made only in Dalry!

The new product is called Bovaer, it is a white powder that is fed to cows to reduce the amount of greenhouse gases, particularly methane, that they produce. They only need to be fed a small teaspoon amount and it will have an immediate impact.

Art work will be displayed around the perimeter of the new construction site.



Term 3 Clubs have begun and are taking place before, during and after school covering a wide variety of sports/activities across each stage and year group.

Day	8.30am-8.55am	Lunchtime 12.15pm-12.40pm	After School 3pm-4pm
Monday		P1 Multi-Sports - Sports Leaders/Mrs Caig - Gym Hall	P6-7 Netball - Mrs Caig - Gym Hall P6-7 Eco Club - Miss Sim - Art Room P4-5 Social Club - Mrs Scott's Class
Tuesday	P1-2 Active Start Club - Mrs Caig Gym Hall	P2 Multi-Sport - Sports Leaders/Teacher Gym hall P4-7 Burns Singing Club - Miss Sim Art Room	P5-7 Football - Mr Steven - Gym Hall P3-4 Outdoor Learning - Miss Scarf/Miss Gemmell - P3/4 Class/Outdoors
Wednesday	P3-4 Rugby/Football Club - Mrs Caig Gym Hall	P3 Multi-Sports - Sports Leaders - Gym Hall P4-7 Burns Poetry Club - Miss Sim Art Room	P5-7 X Country Club - Mrs Caig/Lilly Caig Playground
Thursday	P3-4 Netball Club - Mrs Caig Gym hall	P4 Multi-Sports - Sports Leaders - Gym Hall P1-2 Just Dance Club - Mrs McCallum Fitness Suite	P5-7 Development Football - Mr Stevens Gym/Astro
Friday		P3-4 Dance Club - Chloe McColm Gym Hall	P6-7 Girls Football - Josh (UWS Coach) Gym Hall

Sports

Our Sports Leaders have been busy! They have worked with Ellie (our Active Schools Co-ordinator) and have developed session plans with Nikki, all ready to deliver to different year groups this term. They are really excited to get as many pupils as possible active this term!



Congratulations to our three Netball teams who played amazingly at the Garnock Valley Netball Tournament. We love working in partnership with Ellie and pupils from Garnock Community Campus.



Diary Dates 2023/24

Term 3

February 2024

Thursday 1 st February	Learning Conversations
Friday 9 th February	School closed for staff and pupils
Monday 12 th February	School closed for staff and pupils
Tuesday 13 th February	In-Service Day 4 - school closed to pupils
Wednesday 14 th February	Pupils return to school
Thursday 15 th February	Parent Council Meeting, 6pm in school
Monday 19th February	Burns Poem, Song & Art Competition in school P1-P3 1-3pm P4-P7 6.30pm
Thursday 29th February	Vision, Values & Aims Parent/Carer Consultation, 5.30pm-7.30pm

March 2024

Monday 4th March	P7 to Arran for residential trip
Friday 8 th March	World Book Day celebrations
W/B 11 th March	STEAM Week
Thursday 21 st March	Parent Council Spring Disco
Friday 22 nd March	Numeracy Showcase
Thursday 28 th March	School closes for Easter holidays

Term 4

April 2024

Monday 15 th April	Staff and Pupils return
W/B Monday 22 nd April	Developing the Young Workforce Week

Diary Dates 2023/24

May 2024

Thursday 2 nd May	Learning Conversations
Monday 6 th May	May Day Bank Holiday
Friday 24 th May	In-Service Day 5 - school closed to pupils
Monday 27 th May	May Holiday
Tuesday 28 th May	Pupils return to school

June 2024

W/B Monday 17 th June	School Show - afternoons only
W/B Monday 24 th June	School Trips
Thursday 27 th June	P7 Prom
Friday 28 th June	School closes for staff and pupils