

February 2025 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our Newsletter, it has been a busy couple of months for us and we still have a few weeks left of the term to go. I would like to thank all of the parents and carers who could make it along to the Learning Conversations, targets will be uploaded to Seesaw for you to look at and discuss with your child and you will also be able to see the progress that they are making towards their targets as evidence of this is uploaded throughout the coming terms.

I would also like to thank the parents, carers and grandparents who have all volunteered to help out and support the school recently. Your support means a lot to us and allows the children to take part in various activities and events.

Our Primary 7's are well underway with their transition activities for secondary school and plans are also in place for our Early Years children who will start Primary 1 in August. If anyone has any concerns or questions please do not hesitate to contact me as I know this can be a lot to think about and can cause some anxiety for pupils and also parents and carers.

As always we are looking for feedback about what you feel works well in Dalry Primary and what you feel could be improved along with suggestions of what this might look like. I have included a link to a quick Microsoft forms for you to complete, your views are important and support us in moving the school forward so we can provide your child with the best educational experience possible. <https://forms.office.com/e/Panz7yuEHy>

As part of our school improvement journey I asked another local primary school to come in to look at the current changes we have made to our curriculum and the way we deliver this in the school. They gave us very positive feedback and also a couple of areas to think about for further development. Our staff will also be visiting their school to carry out the same visit and I am sure we will see some great practice and a few ideas we can use at Dalry.

We are committed to ensuring that all parents and carers are treated with dignity and respect and I politely ask that in return anyone who is communicating with the school in any way e.g. email, phone call, face to face etc. treat all members of our school staff with dignity and respect. I appreciate your support with this.

Finally, as always, if anyone has any concerns or anything they would like to discuss then please feel free to contact me via the school office on 01294 832788.

Kind Regards,

Louise Syme

Head Teacher

Burns Competition



We were all excited to have our Burns competition earlier in February. All of the classes had confident performers who sang or recited a poem to an audience.

We really enjoyed working with Dalry Burns Club. Once again, they generously sponsored this event.

The Burns Art competition was judged by The Provost and Ranger Pete. Every pupil in our school had a piece of art work displayed in the Gym Hall for all to see throughout the day



Ayrshire Finals



Everyone had great fun at the Ayrshire Burns Finals. We are very proud of everyone who took part and a huge thank you to all of the parents and carers who came along to support.



World of Work Week, 6th May



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

It is a team effort to support young people to prepare for the world of work. Together we can help pupils ...

- Understand the world of work
- Discover how their interests, strengths and skills relate to specific job roles
- Understand how their learning relates to jobs and careers

It would be great for the pupils to learn about the different opportunities available to them in the world of work. If you would like to come into school during this week and speak to the children please contact the office.

Cross-Country

Congratulations to our Cross-country runners ... all of the children were fabulous and although a couple didn't finish the races due to injury, they were all a credit to the school. Extra credit to Skye who ran a fantastic race and sprint finished for a very convincing win in the P7 girls' race. One more to go



PARKING NOTICE

Our Safety First!

Parents are putting the safety of our children at risk. Think before parking!



- Do not park on or near the zebra crossing
- Do not park in or near the bus lane
- Do not park inside the bend
- Do not park at the sheltered housing

Remember our children's rights.

Right No.3 - Best interests of the child.
When adults make decisions, they should think about how their decisions will affect children.

Park and stroll - Lidl's carpark is available to park in, along with other town parking sites, please use them.



School Uniform Requests



SCHOOL UNIFORM REQUESTS

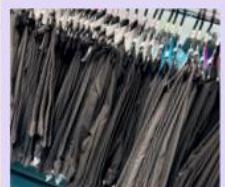
We have a wide range of clothing available free of charge. All items are new. Simply request items as follows:

Scan the QR code below or follow the link to request items.

Items will be bagged in school.

A member of staff will let you know when your items can be collected. If you prefer, you can phone or pop in to school to request items.

<https://forms.office.com/e/6LGrhBJ1T>



GOLD Sport Scotland School Sport Award

We are delighted to announce that we have gained reaccreditation of our Gold Sport Scotland School Sport Award.

The award is a national initiative designed to encourage schools to put young people at the heart of decision making, planning and implementation of extra-curricular school sport.

In Dalry Primary, our Sports Leaders and Sports Committee members all work together to develop sport in school.

Our Sports Committee have been working hard on our school action plan this year and they are making lots of positive changes to school.

Our upper school Sports Leaders do a fantastic job of planning and leading sports clubs for our younger pupils.

Our next task is to organise a whole school celebration for our Gold Award - we can't wait!



New Technology

P5M loved working collaboratively to convince Miss Syme to purchase new Digital Technology resources for the whole school.

They picked their top three and the school have bought Sumdog subscriptions for all pupils, Sphero Bolts+ and Marty Robots.

P5M are really enjoying developing their skills and cascading their learning with classes and staff.



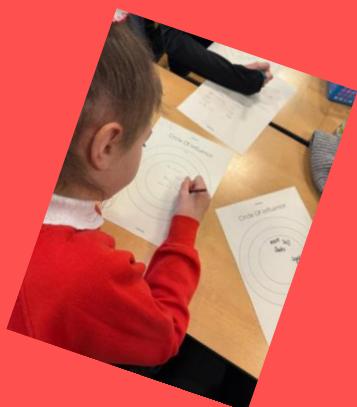
Fruit Tree Planting

We loved welcoming parents and carers into school for our first ever fruit tree planting at school. We were all very excited and can't wait to see what we grow and harvest!



Sense Over Sectarianism

As part of their novel study, pupils in P6 and P7 had a visit from Mark Adams. He works with Sense Over Sectarianism in Glasgow. Pupils enjoyed an interactive workshop in class.



P1 Library Visit

Primary 1 pupils enjoyed a visit to Dalry Library to get their Read, Write, Count bags.



Diary Dates 2024/25

Term 3

Thursday 6 th March 2025	P2G, P2/3R, P4/3M & P4/5M to Glasgow Science Centre
Wednesday 13 th March 2025	P5< & P7/6S to Glasgow Science Centre
w/b Monday 10 th March 2025	STEAM Week
Friday 20 th March 2025	IDL Showcase
Wednesday 26 th March 2025	P4-P7 Panto, afternoon
Thursday 27 th March 2025	P4-P7 Panto, afternoon
Tuesday 1 st April 2025	Tempest Photography - whole school photos
Thursday 3 rd April 2025	Parent Council Spring Disco
Friday 4 th April 2025	Schools close for Easter holiday, 2.30pm

Term 4

Tuesday 22 nd April 2025	Schools open
Thursday 1 st May 2025	Learning Conversations
Monday 5 th May 2025	Schools closed Developing the Young Workforce Week
Tuesday 6 th May 2025	Schools open
Thursday 8 th May 2025	Parent Council Meeting, 6pm in school
Friday 23 rd May 2025	Staff only in service
Monday 26 th May 2025	Schools closed
Tuesday 27 th May 2025	Schools open
w/b 23 rd June 2025	Summer Trips
Thursday 26 th June 2025	P7 Prom, Dalry Bowling Club
Friday 27 th June 2025	Schools close for Summer