

TERM 2 NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents/Carers,

As many of you will know, we are now in the busiest term of the school year, with lots of fun and exciting events planned. Despite only being one week into the term, we already have plenty of great news to share.



As part of our School Improvement Plan this year, we continue to develop our outdoor learning spaces, particularly to the rear of the school in our embankment area. To support this, during the October break, the Streetscene team kindly felled some trees which were proving to be hazardous.

Additionally, our project to develop the space has been approved by North Ayrshire Council. This collaborative project in partnership with our Parent Council and our Gardening Team will see us develop an outdoor courtyard teaching space, create new raised beds and establish both an accessible wooded pathway and stairs into the embankment.

We are grateful to our Parent Council for supporting the fundraising towards this project and to the Gardening Team for their vision and hard work to support the practical implementation of the project, including moving existing planters etc.



We have also seen improvements in our P5 classroom, with re-plastering also having been completed during the October break, alongside a new fire exit within our resource base. We have had delivery of our new play equipment for the Infant and P7 open areas too- it was certainly a busy school during the holiday period!



We were delighted to host our first Learning Showcase for our P7 stage last term, which was a huge success. Thank you to our parents and families for the great turnout and the lovely feedback. We are excited to see P5 share their learning this term!

Next month, P6 are also excited to be taking part in a collaborative Digital Literacy project in partnership with our Trio schools, Beith and Whitehirst. Over the course of five weeks, pupils will work together with peers from the other schools

You will have seen that we have had to make changes to the timings of our Learning Conversations - this was changed due to new guidance surrounding teachers' Working Time Agreements across the Local Authority, which is unfortunately out-with our control. I hope this does not cause too much inconvenience.

Lastly, should you need to discuss any issues about your child, can I ask that you please contact the school office to do so and you will be put in touch with either myself or your link DHT. This prevents issues with confidentiality which can arise when matters are discussed in the playground. Many thanks for your understanding.

Kind Regards,

Gemma Carson

Head Teacher