

TERM 3 NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year and I hope you all had a lovely and relaxing festive period. It has been great having the children back for the start of the term and hearing all of their stories from the holidays.

We are all very excited for Election Week next week, where the children can nominate themselves for positions within our school committees- our RRS committee, Junior Leadership Team, Digital Leaders, Junior Road Safety Officers (JRSO), Sustainability Squad and our brand new committee for 2026, Wellbeing Warriors. Our pupils are so passionate about these roles and about contributing to school improvement. I am looking forward to working with our newly elected teams across the year to continue to develop our school in line with pupil views.



Primary 6 are also looking forward to their Learning Showcase at the end of January, which will have a Burns focus. This will be followed by the Primary 1 Learning Showcase at the end of February, linked to their Scotland topic. Primary 3 will then present on Scottish Kings and Queens to round off the term during their event at the end of March, before we close for the holidays. The children have been working extremely hard in preparation for these events and are keen to show off what they have been learning. We would therefore very much welcome parental attendance where possible.

In a change to our usual annual timings, we will host our upper school show this term. 'The Magic Jukebox' will see pupils from P4-7 celebrate music of different genres and despite it only being day 3 of the new term, planning and rehearsals are already well underway!



We have also received notice of all pupils enrolled to start P1 with us in August. Transition events will begin in February, with details coming home soon. It is already shaping up to be another busy term.

All planned painting and building works are now complete and both the middle area classroom spaces and the school grounds are looking fabulous. We are very grateful to have been awarded a further grant from the West Kilbride Community Trust to support us to continue to develop the outdoor space. The Gardening Team now plan to work with the children to introduce new plants to the area.



We would also like to share the bittersweet news that Shona Lewis has decided to retire in February. Shona has had a brilliant career here at WKPS and I'm sure you will join me in wishing her well in her retirement. Alice Roper will take responsibility for the class upon her return from maternity leave in February.

Kind Regards,

Gemma Carson

Head Teacher

