



Together we will shine!

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope all of our children and families had an enjoyable and relaxing Spring break. It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school excited to learn and looking forward to the learning experiences coming up in this final term of the school year. The sun making an appearance has certainly helped!

Thank you to everyone in our school community who has supported or will support the various events and activities that are provided for our children.

Nursery/Primary One Transition

Registration for infant beginners for session 2024/2025 continues and parents/carers who have made Placing Requests should hear shortly. We are looking forward to welcoming our new intake for their "Transition Tuesdays" in May. These will again include "Come and Play" sessions for the children, a parent/carer information session and a family lunch experience. Further information regarding each of these activities will be circulated in due course.

P7 Transition

Our Primary 7s have continued to participate in a range of transition activities with Greenfaulds High School. They are scheduled to have their 2 day visit in May and I wish them every success during this.

The P7 Graduation will take place on Tuesday 11th June at 9.30am. P7 children will each be issued with 2 invitations each and their guests will be able to stay for refreshments and photographs afterwards.

Attendance and Latecoming

A reminder that, if your child arrives after 9am (and before 9.15am), they should enter via the P1 entrance and, if they arrive after 9.15am, they should enter via the Main Entrance. Attendance and latecoming are being closely monitored, in line with NLC requirements, as these have a marked effect on children's education.

Car Parking, Playground and Dogs

Thank you to everyone within our school community who has been continuing to help us to prioritise the health and safety of our children. Please remember that parking permits can be obtained via the School Office (subject to criteria being met) and the Breakfast Club is available from 8.15am to support families with drop off arrangements and childcare.

P5 Titanic Trip

Thank you to everyone who supported our successful annual trip to the Titanic Exhibition, Belfast. The children (and adults!) had a fantastic time and, hopefully, have memories that will last a lifetime.

P6 Camping Trip

Preparations are well under way for our annual camping trip. There will be an information evening for children and parents/carers on Thursday 30th May and a kit list will be issued in advance of this.

Ford Castle 2025

Following our successful experience this year, we have booked for next year's Primary 7 children to visit Ford Castle in February 2025 (Monday 24th to Wednesday 26th) and know that the children are looking forward to this opportunity!

Class Trips

Our Primary 4 children enjoyed their trip to Kelvingrove Art Gallery and our Primary 3 children had an enjoyable day at Glasgow Science Centre. Thank you to all of our parent helpers who supported these trips.

P1a and P1b will be visiting Summerlee on 10th May and P2 and P2/3 will be visiting Calderglen on 6th June.

Shark Tank

Well done to our Primary 5 children who represented the school at the Shark Tank Social Enterprise event. The children presented their arguments clearly and confidently and were a credit to the school.

Nonna's Kitchen Dullatur Cooking Club

The pilot of our new partnership with Nonna's Kitchen Dullatur has successfully concluded and we are now looking forward to a further group of P4 to P7 children starting this next week. This will involve groups of children having the opportunity to learn from and cook with professional chefs in our Cooking Kitchen.

Sports

A second group of Primary 5 children have completed the "Rock Up and Ride" programme, delivered in partnership with Scottish Cycling and Cumbernauld Centurions BMX Club. Children enjoyed BMX coaching sessions at Broadwood BMX Track and were gifted BMX bikes, helmets, pads and a year's free membership with Cumbernauld Centurions. We are currently planning our next group.

Our Dancemania team qualified for the NL Active Schools Finals on 13th May. This is a fantastic achievement and well done to everyone involved, especially our parent-coach Kay Hamilton and former pupil coach Lily Ball.

A group of our Primary 7 children represented the school at the final NL Active Schools Football Festival of this session. As always, there were some great performances, skills and attitudes on show. Particular thanks to parent-helper coach Mr Ahmad for his expertise and support.

Class Assemblies

It has been wonderful to welcome so many members of our school community to our various Class assemblies, allowing our children to share their learning and showcase their talents and personalities. Primary 2/3, Primary 5a, Primary 5b and Primary 6 Class Assemblies will take place this term; please see the "Dates for the Diary" section later in this newsletter for the dates for these. These are not ticketed events and parents/carers from the class are more than welcome to attend. Please note that all assemblies start at 11am and refreshments will be available afterwards.

Parent Council

The final Parent Council meeting of this session will take place on Tuesday 14th May at 6pm in the school. All members of the parent forum are welcome to attend these meetings.

The Parent Council are also hosting their Summer Fayre on Saturday 18th May in the school; all members of the community are welcome to attend. The Parent Council have arranged a "dress down and bring a tombola prize" day on Friday 3rd May to support the fundraising. All proceeds will go towards buying resources for the school.

Conclusion

I hope that the information in this newsletter is useful and look forward to seeing you all throughout this busy term!

Kindest regards

Mrs Lesley McPhee

Head Teacher

Dates for the Diary

May

Tuesday 2nd - Inservice Day (school and nursery closed to all children)
Friday 3rd - Parent Council "Dress Down and Bring a Tombola Prize" Day
Friday 3rd - Snapshots to Parents/Carers
Monday 6th - Holiday (school and nursery closed)
Tuesday 7th - New P1 "Transition Tuesday" - The "Everywhere Bear"
Friday 10th - P1a and P1b Class Trip to Summerlee
Monday 13th - Dancemania Final
Tuesday 14th - New P1 "Transition Tuesday" - "Come and Play" Session 1
Tuesday 14th - Parent Council Meeting
Friday 17th - P5b Assembly
Saturday 18th - Parent Council Summer Fayre
Tuesday 21st - New P1 "Transition Tuesday" - "Come and Play" Session 2
Wednesday 22nd - Parent/Carer Consultations
Friday 24th - Holiday (school and nursery closed)
Monday 27th - Holiday (school and nursery closed)
Tuesday 28th - P7 Greenfaulds High School Transition Sports Event
Tuesday 28th - New P1 "Transition Tuesday" - Information Meeting & Lunch
Wednesday 29th - P7 Greenfaulds High School Visit Day 1
Thursday 30th - P7 Greenfaulds High School Visit Day 2
Thursday 30th - P6 Camping Trip Information Evening
Friday 31st - P5a Assembly

June

Thursday 6th - P2 and P2/3 Class Trip to Calderglen
Tuesday 11th - P7 Graduation
Thursday 13th - P6 Camping Trip Day 1
Friday 14th - P6 Camping Trip Day 2
Monday 17th - P7 Leavers Fun Week
Friday 21st - P6 Assembly
Monday 24th - Whole School Fun Day (dress down)
Wednesday 26th - School closes at 1pm for Summer Holiday!
P2/3 Assembly (TBC)
Sports Day (TBC)