**HT Report**

**Wednesday 31st January 2024**

* Staffing – Mrs McCallum is now working 4 days a week in school (Tues-Thurs) covering the hours available following Mrs Miller’s retirement
* The Christmas shows and service were well attended by families, thank you to everyone who supported these events which helped to raise money for school funds
* All teaching staff are moderating PE/Dance this term as part of their planning and teaching and there will be further moderation with the cluster at the February inservice day
* We have an Active Play programme running for the P1/2 class over 6 weeks, this is funded through the cluster and focuses on:

The Active Play Model consists of:

* A combination of semi-structured games and activities as well as opportunities for child led play.
* It is designed to help children develop their physical literacy/fundamental movement skills.
* Aims include an increase in children's confidence and motivation, building on key skills and attributes such as risk-assessing, team work, problem solving and emotional resilience.
* An overall result in improvements with pupil concentration and behaviour.
* Miss McFaite is attending Numicon training which she will cascade to all staff on the inservice day to further support the use of concrete materials in numeracy learning and teaching
* All staff will be participating in SEAL training over 2 sessions this term - SEAL (Stages of Early Arithmetical Learning) is a model that teachers use to understand the development of children’s numerical knowledge
* All pupils participated in learning about Scottish Culture over Thursday 25th and Friday 26th January finishing with our ceilidh on the Friday afternoon where all classes performed a Scottish dance and song/poem including our nursery children
* Our Outdoor Learning training began on Thursday 25th January, this is a 3 part model where the first lesson was delivered by Love Outdoor Learning with school staff observing, the following visit in February will be jointly planned and delivered by the class teacher and Love Outdoor Learning and the 3rd session in March will be delivered by the class teacher with Love Outdoor Learning observing and providing support. This will develop staff confidence in planning and delivering outdoor learning leading to increase in the outdoor learning provided to pupils which is a key feature of the curriculum
* All staff have nearly completed the Rights Respecting Schools Training modules and we will soon be able to submit the required evidence for the Bronze Award
* Our next family open morning takes place on Friday 9th February 9:20-10:20am, we look forward to seeing as many families as possible