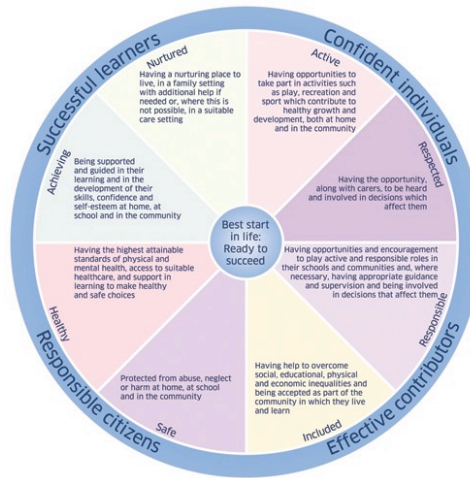




Chapelgreen Primary School & Nursery Class



February Newsletter 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to our February newsletter. Thank you for trying hard to ensure your child comes to school in their uniform. This is much appreciated.

We use our newsletters to communicate events that are happening in the school and nursery, so please take time to read this. You are your child's first educator and we want to build on that and further develop that partnership. This newsletter has a response sheet within it for you to give your feedback and share your views.

Future fundraising events from our Parent Council have also been included.

Kind Regards

Siobhan McLeod
Head Teacher &
Chapelgreen Team

Health and Wellbeing

The Health and Wellbeing Wheel at the front of this newsletter is what all services use to achieve the best outcomes for your child. Working in partnership with you, health services and businesses will ensure this. This month we have been looking at Active and how this contributes to the development of your child. A child who experiences success and improves upon their last attempts, feels more positive.



Every child has the right to be active. Having opportunities to take part in activities such as play, recreation and sport, which contribute to healthy growth and development, at home, in school and in the community. As well as sports, we have been looking at ways to increase our activity ensuring we are active for 60 minutes a day. We are walking, jogging and running a daily mile in school. Sometimes the weather may stop us from doing things that we normally enjoy such as walking and running. When this happens, encourage your child to set a timer and jump on the spot for 3 minutes, skip for 3 minutes, run up and down the stairs for 3 minutes. It soon builds up!

Wellbeing Survey

All schools have been asked to administer a survey to pupils in P5-7 to help plan ahead for children's services in the future. You will have received a leaflet explaining the purpose of this and notification that you had ten days to contact the school if you did not want your child to take part in this.

Pupil Leadership Groups

All pupils had the opportunity to opt into one of our Pupil Leadership Groups/Committees. Here are our groups and the adult/s who are working with them:

- Eco group - Miss Donald and Mr de Bleick;
- Fundraising and Charities group - Mrs Crockett;
- Health & JRSO group - Miss Richardson;
- Citizenship group - Miss Coyle;

Pupils record the minute of the meeting and display these on the Pupil Leadership Boards. Each group have designed their own badge and are working to create an action plan. They will also present their progress to the school so everyone knows what is happening. The Eco Group will be performing their Eco Song at assembly this week.

SSPCA

Pupils enjoyed a visit from the Scottish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. We really enjoyed this and appreciated that the snow didn't deter them. Thank you SSPCA.

Thank you

We would like to thank Mr Gillies for coming into the school to build some picnic benches for our playground and some display boards. This was very much appreciated. Thanks also to Mrs Colangelo for accompanying our pupils on a number of outings.

Active Schools Events

Miss Donald co-ordinates Active Schools Events which offers a number of our pupils the opportunity to participate and compete in festivals.

Football Festival - 1st Feb

We created a fantastic team along with Banton Primary and did our school proud by winning a number of games. Well done to everyone for their great behaviour and thank you to Mr de Bleick for preparing our team and leading this event.

Netball Festival - 9th Feb

We took part in the Netball Festival which allowed pupils to demonstrate their knowledge and skill in the sport. Thank you to Mr de Bleick for preparing our team.

Cross Country - 17th Feb

The majority of pupils from P5-7 took part in this event at Ravenswood. Despite the weather, our pupils all completed their route. Well done everyone. A special mention goes to two pupils for their excellent performance. Declan Haggerty, P6 came in 2nd place and Dania Colangelo, P5 came in 7th. Both these pupils will be competing in the finals. Congratulations!

Queenzieburn Village Park - 27th February

The local newspapers will be taking some photographs up at the Village Play Park. Our Nursery children and some school pupils will be walking to the park today for 10.30am.

Looking Ahead To March

World Book Day - 2nd March

The school and nursery will be participating in a number of literacy activities on World Book Day. You will receive further communication about this.

Kilbowie 6-10th March 2017

P7 pupils are off to Kilbowie for a fantastic residential outdoor experience. They will be going along with other schools which include Ballmalloch PS and Kilsyth PS. This will be a great opportunity to get to know other P7s who will be going to Kilsyth Academy. Our pupils would not be able to attend experiences like this if it wasn't for the commitment of our staff. This year pupils will be accompanied by Miss Coyle and Miss Richardson. Thank you very much to Miss Donald for co-ordinating and organising this as well as holding an Information Session for parents.

School Reports - week beginning 13th March

Your child's school report will be issued during week beginning 13th March. I will send a text/tweet to alert you when these have been issued.

Parent/Carer Information Evening 23rd March 2017

Relationships, Sexual Health and Parenthood

I am delighted to be able to invite you to an information evening at Chapelgreen Primary School for a presentation on this area of the curriculum and in particular, the sensitive lessons about changes in the body. Mrs Cornwell worked with NHS Lanarkshire to develop these lessons and will be able to share some of the resources that are used to teach this and answer any questions or concerns you may have. The presentation will begin at 6.30pm.

Family Night - 24th March

The Parent Council are organising a Family Bingo Night over in the Community Centre. This will take place on Friday 24th March. More details will follow but please save the date. Please also help out with some donations for prizes. Spring clean your way through some unwanted Christmas gifts.

Boat Race - 30th March

Following on from the success of this event last year, the Parent Council are organising another Boat Race. Pupils will be asked to bring in bottles to design a boat and then take them over to the burn to race them. More details will follow.

What do you think?

Staff and pupils will be talking about how well we are doing as a school. We would like to hear your views and ask what you think we should be working on next. A main focus will be to raise attainment, helping children to improve their Literacy and Numeracy skills and their Health and Wellbeing. Partnership between home and school is also one of the most important factors in improving your child's success. What would you like to happen to improve our partnership? Please take time to give us some written feedback on the consultation slip, or email me at ht@chapelgreen.n-lanark.sch.uk, speak to me in person or phone the school.

Chapelgreen Parent Council News

Fundraising put to good use!

Previous fundraising by the Parent Council has resulted in the bus being paid for the Pantomime. They also have £1000 to spend which is absolutely amazing and have decided to use this to improve the playground, perhaps by getting a new basketball shoot for the infant side and the senior side. This would be brilliant for our pupils.

It was lovely to see some new members at our last Parent Council Meeting. Our Next Meeting is Monday 24th April at 6.30pm.

Contact Details

If your child is unwell, we need to be able to contact you immediately. Please help us by keeping your contact details up-to-date.

Text Messages

It costs 4p for every text message we send because we are charged by the number of mobiles we send to. You can help us to reduce our costs by holding onto your newsletter for details of events, checking our glow blog: Search for 'Chapelgreen Primary Glow Blog' and signing up to follow us on twitter.

Some of the costs come from texting to say:

1. your child owes the dinner school money;
2. your child has come into school late;
3. your child has not returned important paperwork;

Please help by:

1. sending your child into school with money to load the card;
2. making sure your child comes straight to school from the house and is in the line for the bell going;
3. promptly returning paperwork when it is requested; Thank you 😊

Share your views Feb 2017

- *What do we do well?*
- *How could we improve partnerships between home and school?*

We would be delighted to have some feedback about what you think.

*If you had to choose 4 qualities that you would like Chapelgreen Primary School to nurture in your child, what would these be?
For example, Honesty, Kindness, Empathy, Tolerance, Confidence, Courageous, Fairness, Respectful, Creativity etc.*

4 Qualities