

Bun-Sgoil Chondobhrait

November Newsletter 2023/ Cuairt Litir An t-Samhain 2023

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Community

A' Faireachadh

Sàbhailte

Dear Parent/Carer,

Urram

We have had a great start to term 2, and everyone has already settled back into the school routine. This is an exciting and busy term for all of our pupils as we have all the fun of Halloween, Children in Need and Christmas, as well as our usual activities.

Luchd-obrach/Staffing News.

Eanchainn

Miss Brown, who has been teaching P3/4E alongside Mrs Orr, has left her post here at Condorrat. Mrs Allison has returned to the school and will now share the class with Mrs Orr.

As mentioned in our last newsletter Miss Hughes (Amy), our clerical assistant is moving on to pastures new. Her final day at Condorrat will be Friday the 10^{th} of November. We wish her lots of luck in her new job!

Oidhche Shamhna/Hallowe'en

Our pupils enjoyed a special dress up day on Hallowe'en with a parade, dookin' for apples and a pumpkin design competition. Many thanks to the Parent Council for organising two fabulous discos which everyone thoroughly enjoyed.

A' Mhòid Nàiseanta/Royal National Mòd

A huge well done to all staff and pupils, former and current, who took part in the National Mod in Paisley during the October break. Several pupils were placed in their competitions; Fionn McRury, Brèagha Hughes, Eilidh Chapman, Eobhidh Chapman, Parker Hamilton, Samuel Duke, Fraser Daly and, Mara Hughes. Congratulations to everyone who took part, we are very proud of you all!

Sàbhailteachd le Cleasan Teine/Firework Safety.

In preparation for Bonfire night the local Fire Brigade have spoken to all pupils this week at assembly to discuss fire safety and keeping safe around fireworks.

Crom-lusan/Poppies.

Our P7 pupils will be visiting classes with poppies before Remembrance Day. Pupils can purchase a poppy for a small donation if they wish.

Eadar-ghluasad Clas 7/P7 Transition Activities.

Some P7 pupils took part in a P7 Cross Country competition at Greenfaulds on Wednesday the 1st of November. On the evening of the 28th of November, P7 pupils can go along to Greenfaulds with their parents for a walk around the school, visiting some of the departments. Details to follow from Greenfaulds nearer the time.

On the 27th of November our P7 classes will visit Mr Cochrane and Mrs Adler in the Science Dept to undertake some STEM ativities. This will be followed by the Science Dept visiting the pupils here at Condorrat for the two weeks that follow, and finishing with a further visit to Greenfaulds in January.

> Dream, Believe, Achieve Bruadair, Creid, Coilean

Banachdach Flu/Flu Immunisation.

Everyone has had information about flu immunisation, which is in the form of a nasal spray. Nurses will be in school on the 16^{th} of November to administer the spray to our pupils who have requested it.

Clann Ann An Èis/Children in Need.

This is on **Friday the 17**th of **November**. Our House Captains and Vice Captains are planning some fundraising activities for the day. We will get information out to you all soon. Whilst we want to support this charity, we will keep costs to a minimum for our families, and whatever events are planned **ALL** pupils will be able to join in the fun.

Am Bord Oir/Golden Table

P1/2E sat at the Golden table in October- well done! The next Golden Table is on the **30**th **of November**. I wonder who will be next!

Latha Gun Aodach-sgoile/Non-Uniform Day.

This month's non-uniform day (if the children wish) will be on <u>Thursday</u> 30th of November. As it is St Andrew's Day please wear tartan if you can! Donations to school funds welcome.

Comhairle nam Pàrantan/Parent Council

The next Parent Council meeting is planned for **Tuesday 7th November**, in Tim Hortons , St Maurice's Retail Park at 7:30pm. If you would like to attend or raise any issues, please contact the Parent Council at <u>Condorratpc@gmail.com</u>.

Oidhche nam Pàrant/Parents' Night

This is on **Wednesday the 15th of November**. These meetings will take place in the school hall and give you the opportunity to be updated about your child's progress. Please note a link to the Parent Portal system, to enable you to book an appointment, will be sent to you via *Groupcall* on Monday the 6^{th} of November.

Due to Parent's Night, we will <u>not</u> be issuing a termly report at the end of term 2. School attendance will still be reviewed at the end of the term 2 and letters sent to families if needed. As always there will be a Book Fair with Gaelic and English books during that week and on parent's evening.

INSET

The school and nursery will be closed to pupils on Monday the 13th of November, as this is a staff training day.

Feasgair Fosgailte/Open Afternoon.

Our next open afternoon will be on Friday the 1st of December from 2pm - 3pm. You will be invited to help your child with some Christmas craft on the day. We look forward to seeing you then!

Please do not hesitate if you wish to discuss the contents of the newsletter, or indeed any other school matter.

Yours sincerely,

Julie-Ann Price, Head Teacher.