

MRS N'S NOTES



YOUR WEEKLY UPDATE OF LIFE IN KIRKSHAW'S



CHILD PROTECTION

All Child Protection concerns should be directed to Mrs Nicolson, Head Teacher & Child Protection Co-ordinator

HEALTH & WELLBEING

Can I remind everyone that all pupils are encouraged to drink WATER in class. Pupils should come to school prepared with a full water bottle and will be allowed to fill up at appropriate points throughout the day. Flavoured water and diluting juice should be kept for break times. Fizzy juice should be kept at home for a treat. As a Health Promoting School we do not encourage fizzy drinks in school.

NUMERACY

Have you logged into SumDog yet? The challenge is on!

Four-Legged Friends

Anyone who knows me, knows just how much I LOVE dogs! However, for various reasons we cannot allow them within the school grounds. Many thanks to everyone who is working with us to enforce this rule.



Safety First!



It has been a different kind of week for me. The eagle-eyed amongst you may have noticed that I wasn't around as much as usual. I spent one afternoon working with other local Head Teachers shaping our school improvements, but the greatest part of my week

was spent taking part in Health and Safety training.

Now, if you ask any child in our school what matters most to me, they will all tell you SAFETY comes first (even before RESPECT, which is my other big priority). As a parent, you need to be able to trust the school, to know that your child is safe, even before we start thinking about learning. We never neglect safe practices, always aiming to review our current systems and routines to ensure we improve in all areas. However, this week has made me consider all aspects of school life in even greater detail.

One main message that is coming through this training is





NURSERY NEWS

Many thanks to everyone who joined us for our first BookBug event of the new session. It was most encouraging to see so many familiar faces there, joined by a few new families too. Last session we found this to be one of the best family-learning events we ran, so we hope to build on that success and make it even better for 2019/2020. Look out for our next date being announced soon. We recognise that some days don't suit everyone, so we will try to arrange different days each month. If you haven't joined us yet - there's a space for you too.

We continue to build community links. Today we went to the soft play at PASP. Many thanks to our friends there for making us so welcome.



BELIEVE, ACHIEVE, SUCCEED

the fact that I may be ultimately responsible for all actions that occur within our school, but I cannot be everywhere all the time. That's where you come in! None of us can afford to 'turn a blind eye' when it comes to the wellbeing of our children. If you see or hear of any issue that causes you concern, please do not hesitate to bring this to my attention. This may be an area of our school campus that you feel is unsafe, or a type of behaviour that you are worried about. NOTHING IS TOO TRIVIAL. Please speak to me about it, rather than worrying.

I know that, like me, many of you will immediately be thinking about the busy roads around our school. I will continue to tackle this...we've not solved that one yet!

In Other News...

We were grinning from ear to ear for the photographer this week. I'm looking forward to seeing how these great photographs turn out.

Our new Sports Committee met for the first time this week. They have already come to me with great ideas. Leading the learning? That's not just my job - I've got a willing band of young leaders up for the challenge!

Don't Forget...

Next week we will have **Week 2** Lunch Menu, plus the following events taking place:

Monday 9.9.19	Breakfast Sports Club P.7 Sports Leaders Training at lunchtime Mrs McGarry to SEAL maths training
Tuesday 10.9.19	Mini Movers in the Nursery am and pm Healthy Families Club starts Mrs McGarry to Pedagogy training
Wednesday 11.9.19	P.7 to Coatbridge High School for PE Miss Watson will accompany our JRSOs to a training session in Motherwell.
Thursday 12.9.19	Green Gang continues with Toni P.6 Sports Leaders Training at lunchtime
Friday 13.9.19	Celebration Assembly - don't forget to fill in a Gold Book Achievement Form if you have awards to share. Fun 31
The Following Week	Sunday 15th Sept, Cliftonhill 100 Football Festival Expect SnapShot jotters home by the end of the week