

# MRS N'S NOTES



YOUR WEEKLY UPDATE OF LIFE IN KIRKSHAW'S



## CHILD PROTECTION

Any child protection concerns should be shared with the child protection coordinator for the school and nursery: **Mrs Alison Nicolson, Head Teacher**. In her absence, Mr Sharp and Mrs McGarry (Principal Teachers) will take on this role.

## HEALTH & WELLBEING

Thank you for continuing to support us in providing healthy lunches in school. If your child does not finish their packed lunch, they will be asked to bring it home to allow you to monitor what is being eaten. Can I ask that fizzy juice is kept at home for a treat? We do not encourage carbonated drinks in school. In addition, we would not expect any of our pupils to be consuming energy drinks at this age.

## CYBER SAFETY

Can I ask all parents to regularly monitor their children's phones and mobile devices to ensure messages and photographs are appropriate, respectful and restricted to close friends and family? We can never be too careful when protecting our young people in this digital age.



## Hallowe'en Fun!

What can we say? Kirkshaws families must be some of the most creative in Coatbridge! At both our Disco on Wednesday evening and our Fancy Dress Parade on Thursday afternoon, we were amazed at the range of costumes made to suit each individual. Our Nursery pupils also enjoyed their Hallowe'en Parties on Thursday; dancing, playing games and laughing together in their fabulous costumes. Thank you to every family member who painted, stuck and sewed to put a huge smile on our children's faces!

We know that many children have a stash of goodies following their Hallowe'en fun at home. Can I just remind you that we are a Nut Free Zone? Any nut based treats should be kept at home.

However, I can't mention Hallowe'en without a special mention to our Parent Council who organised a super disco earlier this week. Everyone who attended had a ball. Many thanks too to the helpers who turned up on the night to lend a hand and the members of staff who did an 'extra shift' to make sure the children had fun.





## NURSERY NEWS

Loving Lunches are proving to be a HUGE HIT!

We are delighted with the way our new lunch service is going. Lunch for our morning children is prepared in the school kitchen and served by our catering staff in the playroom. This gives our learners the opportunity to sit at a table with their group and chat about the day as they try some new foods. This week cucumber proved to be quite a hit!

In order to ensure all our learners have the same learning experiences, our nursery staff have committed to providing a sit-down snack in the afternoon too. Once again, it is a winner!

You can check the proposed menu for both morning and afternoon sessions on the nursery noticeboard in the cloakroom.

**Could you please check that your child has a change of clothes in nursery every day? As you know, we can get messy as we learn, whether we are inside or outdoors. We enjoy sitting and listening at times, but we learn best when we are DOING!**

### *In Other News...*

Bikeability has proved to be a huge success in Primary 7. The weekly sessions were run by Mr Gall and Robert from Sustainable Transport. The behaviour, effort and resilience shown by our learners was impeccable. We are very proud of this group of cyclists and the progress they have made this session.

Please remember, **Breakfast Club does not open until 8.15am each morning**. School staff are not available to supervise before this time. Any child attending Breakfast Club **MUST** purchase food. There is no need to attend every day or pre-book a place; simply enter through the main entrance and meet Mrs Stewart in the dinner hall.

Poppies will be on sale from Monday 4 Nov. As in previous years, we will collect donations which we will forward to the Poppy Scotland appeal. We would suggest a donation of around 20p.

You may have heard a few new staff names being mentioned over recent weeks. Miss Hughes and Miss Moran are students working in Room 1 and our Nursery Class. We look forward to working alongside them as they join our staff team this session. In addition, Mrs King is our 'new' teacher in P.4. Miss Wyatt returned after the October holiday using a new name! We wish Mr & Mrs King all the best as they set out in married life together.

### *Don't Forget...*

We continue with **Week 3** of our existing menu.

<b>Monday</b> 4.11.19	Mr Sharp meeting with Albion Rovers P.4 Multi-Sports Lunch Club (P.6 Sports Leaders) Mr Sharp & Mrs Nicolson to Literacy Coach Meeting Mrs Nicolson ICT Training after school
<b>Tuesday</b> 5.11.19	P.7 visit to CHS. Citizenship Day. P.2 Multi-Sports Lunch Club (P.6 Sports Leaders)
<b>Wednesday</b> 6.11.19	Miss Ralston to Knowledge Exchange Programme Mrs McGarry to Numeracy Coach Meeting 3pm Art & Craft Club
<b>Thursday</b> 7.11.19	Scottish SPCA visit P.5 Multi-Sports Lunch Club (P.6 Sports Leaders) P.1-3 Multi-Sports After School Club Sports Committee Meeting & Nursery Bookbug
<b>Friday</b> 8.11.19	Celebration Assembly - Gold Sports Award P.1 Multi-Sports Lunch Club (P.7 Sports Leaders) Kodaly Music and Choir

Following Week **Mr Bradley, our Janitor's, last week before he retires!**  
Parent Council - 11 Nov @ 7pm  
Parent Workshop (Literacy) 12 Nov @ 6pm