

Ravenswood Primary



Summer Term 2016

Ravenswood's 40!!!

This August is the 40th anniversary of the opening of Ravenswood Primary School. Our classes have been working hard to create a documentary about the school which we will be premiering for the whole school community as our summer concert this year. We have big red carpet plans but no firm diary dates to share with you yet. As soon as we have confirmed our plans we'll let you know! In the meantime we are looking for anything about the school that you or your friends and family may have. Photos, old jotters, memories of former pupils are all welcome and we hope you'll send us lots of interesting stuff to use. We promise to take care of anything you send in. We will scan photos and return the originals on the same day or you could bring them in to the school office and we can do them straight away. Have a rake around the attic or the cupboard under the stairs and source us some hidden gems!

The Daily Mile

The Scottish Government has recently requested that all schools participate in the daily mile. Research has shown that daily physical activity not only improves physical health but also improves behaviour, concentration and academic progress. We are delighted to take the opportunity for our learners to get out and active every day and will be seen at various hours of the school day walking, jogging or running 10 laps of the playground or stepping out at Ravenswood Marsh.

Class Assemblies

We are eagerly awaiting the class performances from the classes below on the dates shown. We hope to have a full house for all of these performances.

P2	Friday 29 th April	9.30am
P7	Friday 13 th May	9.30am
P1	Thursday 26 th May	9.30am

May Holidays

Just a reminder that we are closed on Monday 2nd May for the Bank Holiday and on Thursday 5th May for an Inservice Day. The mid-term holiday at the end of May is Friday 27th and Monday 30th. We have also been advised that the school will be used for the EU Referendum on Thursday 23rd June and will be closed to pupils.

We ♥ Art Gallery

Our awesome Enterprise Committee have been planning the 'We ♥ Art' event for Friday 6th May from 1.30pm - 3.00pm. Every pupil in our school will create their own piece of art work to display at the event. Their creative pieces will be sold with proceeds going to Strathcarron Hospice. Look out for further information from the Enterprise team soon.

Wear It Wild for WWF

Primary 3's chosen charity this year is the WWF. They will be supporting this charity on Friday 13th May - further details will follow from them soon!

Progress Conference Open Afternoon

Our learners are looking forward to welcoming you all to our regular open afternoon on Friday 20th May. This important afternoon allows them to impress you with the hard work they have been doing and share the progress they have made towards the targets agreed at Progress Conference. Doors will be open from 1.30pm.

Rights Respecting Schools Update

On Wednesday 25th May, we welcome our UNICEF Rights Respecting Schools Award Level One assessor to Ravenswood. Our Ravenswood Rights Team will be sharing how our physical environment reflects our commitment to promoting children's rights. Every class will receive a visit from the assessor and many of the children will be asked to share their views and opinions on children's rights. This is a very exciting time for Ravenswood and we look forward to updating you in due course!

Primary 7 Greenfaulds High School Visit

Our P7's will be enjoying their 2 day visit to Greenfaulds High School on Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd June. Their Young Scot cards are being sent to us at the school and we will pass them to GHS to ensure they all get their lunch. Further information from GHS will follow soon.

Welcoming Our New P1's

Our new P1's have been visiting us since they enrolled for school in January. We will be holding our P1 induction afternoon on Thursday 2nd June at 10.00am. Our new P1's will all have the chance to play together in the P1 classroom with their buddies while the parents and carers are filled in on all the important information needed for August. The morning together will end with everyone trying out what the school kitchen has to offer. The children will eat free and can bring one paying adult with them to eat.

PCA Summer Fayre

Our Parent Council Association are holding a Summer Fayre on Saturday 4th June from 11am - 1pm. This event was blessed last year with beautiful sunshine and we have our fingers crossed that this year will follow suit. There will be a range of stalls, games and activities for you and your family to enjoy so save the date and we'll see you there!



Health Week

We will be holding our Health Week starting Monday 13th June. This focus week gives us the opportunity to target specific health messages and provide exciting and varied activities to motivate and encourage our learners to make healthy choices in life. As part of this week all classes will cover Sexual Health and Relationships lessons as planned by NLC and NHS Lanarkshire. We will have all relevant lesson plans and resources available for anyone who would like to view them in advance from the week beginning 6.6.16. Pop in to the school office and Mrs Montgomery or Mrs Reid will direct you.

Sports Day

We plan to hold our annual Sports Day on Friday 17th June from 9.30am - weather permitting. The team sports will kick proceedings off and the flat races will follow after a short break. We hope you can come along.

Celebration of Achievement

Our annual Celebration of Achievement will be held on Friday 24th June at 1.30pm. We hope you can join us for this inspiring event. Further details will follow closer to the time.

PCA Summer Leavers Disco

Our PCA will be holding the final disco of the session on Monday 27th June. The infant disco will go ahead as normal with the junior and senior disco organized to celebrate P7's move to GHS. Further details will follow.

Summer Leavers Service

We will be wishing our P7's goodbye and good luck on Tuesday 28th June at 9.30am. They will lead the service with support from P6. This highlight of the year is always a tear jerker so pack your hankies!

PCA Support

As you know, our Parent Council Association works tirelessly to support all aspects of school life. This includes raising funds that are put towards enhancing the school experience for all learners. We gratefully received over £8000 from the PCA this session and would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who organized, ran or supported school events to help achieve this. We are giving very careful consideration to how best to use the money and will be talking to our Pupil Council to gather the views of the children (although it is unlikely that we'll ever have enough money for the regularly requested swimming pool!). So far you have helped us buy

- ✓ The Kilbowie Bus for the P7 residential trip
- ✓ 200 copies of the National Trust book '50 Things to Do Before You're 11 $\frac{3}{4}$ ' (further details of how we intend to use this with our wider school community will be shared early in Session 2016-17)
- ✓ Homework Bags for new P1 and Autograph Leavers Books for P7
- ✓ A new Macbook to support movie making and video editing skills





Diary Dates



<p>Friday 29th April P2 Assembly - 9.30 start All welcome!</p> <p>Monday 2nd May Holiday</p> <p>Thursday 5th May INSERVICE DAY - School Closed to Pupils</p> <p>Friday 6th May 'We ♥ Art' Gallery - 1.30pm - 3.00pm All welcome!</p> <p>Friday 13th May Wear It Wild Day for WWF P7 Assembly - 9.30 start All welcome!</p> <p>Friday 20th May Progress Open Afternoon 1.15pm - All welcome!</p> <p>Wednesday 25th May Rights Respecting Schools Assessment Visit GHS Band Tour visiting - 1.30pm</p> <p>Thursday 26th May P1 Assembly - 9.30 start All welcome!</p> <p>Friday 27th May and Monday 30th May Holiday - May Weekend</p>	<p>Thursday 2nd June New P1 Induction Visit - 10am P7's to GHS all day</p> <p>Friday 3rd June P7's to GHS all day</p> <p>Saturday 4th June PCA Summer Fayre 11.00am - 1.00pm</p> <p>Monday 13th June Health Week starts!</p> <p>Friday 17th June Sports Day - 9.30am start All welcome!</p> <p>Thursday 23rd June EU Referendum - School closed to pupils</p> <p>Friday 24th June Celebration of Achievement - 1.30pm All welcome!</p> <p>Monday 27th June PCA Leavers Disco</p> <p>Tuesday 28th June Summer Service - 1.30pm All welcome!</p> <p>Wednesday 29th June End of Session 2015-16 School closes at 1pm - HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!!</p>
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The diary dates above are as accurate as we can be at this point in the year. We will update them with each Newsletter, adding new things and making changes where required. A copy can also be found on the website. 😊

Any changes or additions from our last diary dates are highlighted in blue.

Holidays Session 2016 - 2017

Wed 17 th August	Pupils Return
Fri 23 rd & Mon 26 th Sept	September Weekend
Mon 17 th - Friday 21 st Oct	October Week
Mon 21 st Nov	Inservice Day
Mon 26 th Dec - Fri 6 th Jan	Christmas Holiday
Mon 13 th & Tues 14 th Feb	February Break
Wed 15 th Feb	Inservice
Mon 3 rd - Mon 17 th Apr	Spring Break
Mon 1 st May	May Day Holiday
Thurs 4 th May	Inservice
Fri 26 th & Mon 29 th May	Mid-term holiday
Wed 28 th June	School Closes