

Ravenswood Primary



Newsletter - January 2018

Happy New Year everyone, we wish you luck, health and happiness for 2018! We hope you enjoyed the festive break and are ready to start the year with a BANG! Feedback on our Newsletter is always welcome! E-mail Mrs. Hawthorn on ht@ravenswood.n-lanark.sch.uk with any suggestions.

New Head Teacher ...or is it?!

I am delighted to inform you that Ms. Coull will be returning to Ravenswood Primary as Head Teacher. She has just missed us all so much and we have missed her too. This will happen with immediate effect so she is returning on Monday 15th January. We have learned so much from her as the Primary Lead for the Scottish Attainment Challenge but are so excited to welcome her with open arms! WELCOME BACK!

Primary 1 Enrolment

I cannot believe that it is enrolment time once again, it always seems to creep up on us so quickly. We are so excited to welcome new boys and girls as they prepare to start Primary 1 for session 2018-19. We have advertised our enrolment arrangements on Twitter, local nurseries and shops, on our blog and posters around our school. If you know of anyone who would benefit from this information, please share our tweet or tell them to contact the school. Exciting times!

Children of the World!

Nativity was just tremendous and we were delighted with the support from family and friends. Our P1 - P3 performers were a delight and we thank you for all of the effort and hard work that you helped with at home. Our fantastic ICT support team (Ben - Mrs. Reid's amazing boy!) is working on the DVD. We will get these to you ASAP. You still have time to place your order at the office if you would like a copy.

Sponsored Book Read



We are so appreciative of the continued support that we get from parents and carers in our community. We have teamed up with Mrs. Stevenson to organise a sponsored book read. This is running from Monday 15th January - Friday 19th January. Our pupils have opened a free book swap and we have plenty to lend also so the opportunity to read and enjoy books together is open to everyone. We can't wait to hear all about your favourite stories. If you come across any great reads, please share on Twitter so we can all enjoy! @RavenswoodPS

Star Gazing

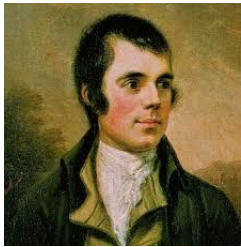
As part of our 50 Things To Do Before 11 and $\frac{3}{4}$'s learning, we are so excited to organise a family Star Gazing event. This will be a fun filled family friendly event at Ravenswood Primary and local Ravenswood Marsh. We are proposing everyone come to the school for 4.30pm on Thursday 18th January. Letters have already been distributed. If you intend to join us, and we really hope you can, please return the slip so we can include you in our numbers. One of our activities will use ICT. If you have a smartphone or tablet you may wish to download a free app that we intend to use, SkyView Lite. Fingers crossed for a clear, crisp night!



Progress Conference Update Afternoon

On Friday 19th January we will open our doors and welcome parents/carers, friends and family in to see your child's learning. This is a chance to talk with your child about their learning, see how they are progressing with their personal targets and have a nosey at their work. The hall will be setup as a comfortable reading picnic too for anyone who would like to get some sponsored reading time in too! Don't forget to visit our art gallery too, it is looking amazing thanks to our children's efforts.

Burns Celebration



It is only fitting that we celebrate our national bard Robert Burns. We would be delighted if you could join us for our annual Burns Celebration on Thursday 25th January at 1.30pm. Every class has a poem that they are working on and everyone is keen to be the selected class winner who will perform on the day. Come along and get in the spirit before you tuck in to your haggis, neeps and tatties dinner! This celebration will get you in the mood!

Progress Conferences

You will soon receive information about our next Progress Conferences. These are scheduled for Thursday 1st February. You will be able to request a time between either 3.30pm - 5.30pm or 6pm - 9pm. As always, if this date does not suit you we will always work together to arrange something else. Please let us know so we can ensure every child in our school enjoys this time discussing their learning and personal achievements as a team.

Glasgow Children's Hospital

P2/3 are getting organised to raise money for Glasgow Children's Hospital on Friday 2nd February. They are arranging many fun activities for our whole school to enjoy so they can raise plenty of money to support this worthy cause. Details to follow in due course. Keep an eye on Twitter, this is always a great place for a reminder and important information! @RavenswoodPS

Clyde Football Club

Miss. Elliott is our sporting super star and has organised a fun afternoon for our P3 and P4 girls with Clyde Football Club. On Tuesday 6th of February the girls will participate in a fun filled lesson with the coaches. Remember your kits ladies and bring your Ravenswood competitive spirit!

Parent Council

Our Christmas party afternoons were a great success, as was the P7 trip to the cinema. Thank you to our Parent Council members who worked so hard to make them enjoyable for everyone. The children (and staff!) had a ball. The next Parent Council meeting is on Wednesday 7th February at 6.30pm. We have a fantastic support network in Ravenswood Primary and we would be delighted to welcome some more eager helpers. Feel free to come along and join in the fun.

Parent Support Group

In our school community we have so many families who are a great support to their children and many others in the community. Now we would like to see what we can do to support you too. After some discussions with some parents, we would like to consider opening up our doors to welcome any parents/carers who would like to ask others for some advice, about supportive groups in the local community and helping each other out. Sometimes all that is needed is a time to vent in a comfortable setting and this could be it. This is very much in the initial stages. If you are interested please contact Mrs. Hawthorn at the school on 01236 632100 or email ht@ravenswood.n-lanark.sch.uk.

Relax Kids

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Mrs. Merrison led a brilliant taster session of Relax Kids for parents/carers and their children. This was so successful and we are delighted to open our doors and welcome you to join us for more. Starting on Thursday 1st February we would like you to join us at 1.30pm for an hour of relaxation with your child. Mrs. Merrison has planned 5 weekly sessions for you to enjoy so by the end we will all be relaxation experts. More information will be distributed closer to the time. We so hope you can join us.

Primary 1/2 Assembly

Prepare to be WOWED by the talents and learning from all of the children in P1/2. They would like to welcome you to their class assembly on Friday 9th February at 9.30am. All welcome!

Homework Club

Many parents/carers have asked about homework club. To ensure that all children who would like to attend can, we are running this during the school day twice a week (Tuesday and Thursday). It has been hugely popular and our dedicated staff are enjoying supporting children from across the school. You can ask your child about this or speak to your class teacher for more information.

Tweet Us!!!

We are loving your tweets and getting to know some really naughty Christmas Elves! Please remember that in order for us to see it you have to tag us by typing @RavenswoodPS in your tweet. If you don't then we won't know it's out there and won't be able to retweet you.

