

Bridge of Weir Primary

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Dear Parents and Carers

A Happy New Year to you all!

This term our school will be working very hard to ensure that we all have the best attitude to learning possible as we continue to explore the importance of a positive mindset and determination to succeed.

While formal learning is important of equal importance is the informal learning that takes place out of school. In this month's 'Learning Journey Bag' there is an achievement record for you to complete. This can show clearly the successes that your child is having that we are not always aware of. Your child may well have achieved badges and certificates and we would really like to know that but they may also have learned to ride their bike, tie their shoe laces or bake a cake and these are all important achievements that contribute to a sense of self-worth and wellbeing. Your child may also help others through their time, charity work or looking after and supporting relatives who are unwell or infirm and this compassion and care for others is also important.

Our School Captains and Primary 7 will be focusing their attention this term on helping and supporting others. Primary 7 will be running the annual Bring and Buy Sale which supports our school charity – Phantasja – and School Captains and their Houses will be running events to raise funds for charity. More information to follow.

Thank you all and especially, Julie Lawler, for the amazing £1300 profit raised from school photographs.

Susan Bell, Head Teacher

Upcoming Events

January 16

P1 and P7 Dental Checks

January 18

Learning Journey Bags Home

January 19

P7 Burns Supper

January 22 – March 9

Active School Clubs start this week. Closed on Feb holiday weekend.

January 29

Parent Council Meeting at Amaretto

January 30

P7 Parents' Meeting for the trip to Ardentiny at 7pm

February 8

Scottish Concert

February 9 - 13

School closed for holiday

February

Scottish poet and author visit

February 23

P7 Annual Bring and Buy Sale and P6 Euro Quiz

March 27 and 28

Parents' Evenings

March 30 – April 13

School closed -Easter Holidays

Bus One

There have been ongoing difficulties for those who travel on this bus service. My apologies for the time it has taken to resolve the situation. Recent reports show an improvement and this should continue. While the provision of the service is not the school's responsibility we hope that we have been able to help smooth out problems.

Adverse Weather Conditions and Emergencies

Always check the school website for updates during times when amber or red weather alerts have been given. If the school has to close early under any circumstances such as severe weather, power failures, issues with fuel supply, we will send you a message via the mobile number we hold asking you to make arrangements to collect your child. Please be assured that we will be here until the last child is collected. Children may go home with other parents provided you have given your permission either by phone or by emailing the school. **It is really important that you keep us updated about change of mobile numbers.**

In the event of the school closing we do all that we can to let you know about the details of closure and re-opening through the school website, email, texts, Renfrewshire Council will also make announcements on their website and in the local press and radio.

Buses might not be able to make their usual route in adverse weather and alternative arrangements are sometimes necessary. If the bus is unable to access Prieston Road or Kilbarchan Road they will often run the service from Lintwhite Crescent. If they are not able to access Warlock Road they will drop the children at the bottom of Warlock Road to walk up. Please note that the school does not decide the safety of the running of buses and there may be days when you have doubts about young children using them. On those days you may wish to make personal arrangements for your child's travel to and from school.

Active Schools Sports and Activity Clubs

Active School Clubs are back and available online at <https://r-bridgeofweir.class4kids.co.uk/> **Please book online.** If you have no internet access please contact the school office. Leaflets should be in your child's bag and all were informed at assembly on 15 January when Scott Graham from Active Schools came to meet the children.

Congratulations to Eleanor Borges and Anya Kandyba whose art work will be on display at Paisley Museum.



STRATHGRYFFE TENNIS, SQUASH & FITNESS CLUB, HOUSTON

Looking for a new hobby for all the family over the winter months?

Check out the 2018 coaching programmes at Strathgryffe Tennis, Squash & Fitness Club

Non-members welcome!

Visit www.strathgryffe.net or
Tel: 01505 615301 & 615100

P2 Library - Parent Helper

Could you come in one afternoon to help with the library? Please contact Elaine Kent if you can.

Nut Allergies

Peanut allergies can be extremely dangerous. We do have children who need to be protected. Please do not send in nuts for snacks in packed lunch boxes.

Improving Our School Grounds

We are looking for parent volunteers to help improve one of our play areas. We would like to create a boulder/log area for play that also helps improve erosion and drain blockage. Please contact Mrs Bell if you can help.