# **May Newsletter**

# Bridge of Weir Primary

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This term is a very busy one with lots of activities at school and in the community. Our Sports Day will be (weather permitting) on Friday May 17 followed by our May Fair on Saturday May 18. Any help in setting up stalls after Sports Day and helping out at the Fair will be gratefully received by our Parent Council. We are all looking forward to a fabulous couple of days. We are working hard to raise money to purchase new interactive boards for our classrooms. Our current ones have been with us for more than 10 years and are now starting to fail.

At this time of year we also take a closer look at learners' progress in reading, writing and maths. All children will be participating in class assessments and we ask that you do everything you can to ensure a very high attendance. The information is only for the school to measure the impact of our teaching and learning and to focus our attention to any changes and improvements that we wish to make.

Primary 1, 4 and 7 will be taking part in the Scottish National Standardised Assessments which are being conducted for the second time across every school in Scotland. This information will also help the school to know that we are meeting national standards and achieving the learning targets contained in the school curriculum. The learning targets are known as 'benchmarks' and are set at Primary 1, 4 and 7 at the end of a three-year phase of learning known as Early Level, First Level and Second Level.

You may also have read about Pupil Equity Funding (PEF) and I am pleased to inform you that the school has received £39,500. This will

# **Upcoming Events**

#### May 17

Sports Day

May 18

School May Fayre 10am to 12pm

May 21

P7 to Paisley Arts Centre

#### May 23

European Elections – school closed

May 24 - 27

Holiday – school closed bank holiday weekend

May 25 and 28

School closed - holiday

May 29

P4 to Houston Bowling Club

May 30

Learning Journey Bags home

May 31

Reserve Sports Day

#### Advance Dates

June 14 – Father's Day Bring and Buy Sale

June 19 – Primary 7 Valedictory at 1pm

enable us to drive forward initiatives which support children to reduce gaps in learning caused by inequity. The following infographic shows the difference between equality and equity. One size does not fit all and sometimes having the same isn't necessarily fair. We want to make sure our children have what they need to be successful.



Susan Bell

Head Teacher

## Parent Council News

#### https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/bridgeofweirps

Our annual May Fair event is a fun-filled morning no matter what the weather. It takes a tremendous amount of organising and the school are extremely grateful to all the parents and carers who take time to make the event happen, give time on the day to man the stalls and attend in the huge numbers that you do. Let's make it the best one yet!

## **Body Piercings**

Please, please, please arrange for any ear piercings to be done at the start of the summer holidays in order for children to be able to remove earrings for gym. In the event of children not being able to remove piercings then, according to guidance from Renfrewshire Council, piercings should be taped safely at home. Participation is at your own risk. I am sure you will agree that removing jewellery is the safe option.

## **New School Website**

We are currently under construction. Launching in August!



### 50 Years!

We are starting our celebrations, of 50 years in our current school building, with a special edition school tie. Our first '*Nifty at Fifty*' souvenir. The tie will feature the school logo in gold and sales will contribute towards purchasing new interactive boards. An order form will follow shortly. Lots more events being planned for next session. Thank you for all the suggestions so far.

### Nut Allergies

Nut allergies can be extremely dangerous. We do have children who need to be protected. Please do not send in nuts for snacks or products containing nuts in packed lunches.

#### Lost Property

Thank you very much for taking the time to ensure that your child's name is on their uniform. This has helped a great deal when returning property. Could you check again that names have not faded and that you do not have another child's uniform? Please return any mix ups to the school.

Parentzone Scotland - A unique website for parents from early years to beyond school. <u>https://education.gov.scot/</u> parentzone



Thank you to all the families who took part in, The Big Pedal. Just a few photographs from the day.



# Saturday 18 May Come To The 10am to 12pm Bring all the family! ake Sale E **Beat the goalie**







**Hogwarts in 3D** 

on an oculus!





# **Fire Engine**



Huge range of prizes



# **Nail painting**







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