



Welcome to Bushes Primary's **January, February, and March** Newsletter!

Welcome Back!



A very warm welcome to term 3 and the year 2025! On behalf of everyone at Bushes, I hope you had a peaceful and enjoyable Christmas and I wish you all good health and happiness for 2025.



Celebrating Children's Successes!

I have had some lovely visits over the past term from children who have been very keen to share with me their successes outside of school. I have been visited by so many children who have received awards for all sorts of clubs, and I have been sharing these successes at our regular assemblies. I am very proud of all these children for these achievements, and I wanted to share them with you all:

- Eilish P4 – reading a 184-page book in just 2 days
- Lucas P3 – medal from football
- Aila P3 – certificate from gymnastics competition, also gained a 'Potions Master' certificate
- Olivia P3/2 – completed her own 'Diamond Artwork'
- Mylah P4 – shared a box full of trophies and medals for football (Player of the Year being 1 of them) and running
- Grace P3/2 – medal for coming 3rd in a dance distinction competition
- Ruairidh P4 – medal for coming in 3rd place in backstroke in swimming competition for whole of West of Scotland
- Eilish P3/2 – Certificate to state she is a Guinness World Record Holder after taking part in a Tin Whistle Ensemble
- Lucy P7 – medal for taking part in gymnastic event. Part of gymnastic team that finished first for use of costume
- Layla P7 – took part in an international gymnastic competition and came in 10th place!
- James P1 – Player of the Week at football club
- Brodie P1 – Player of the Week at football club
- Lucy P3 – won a football trophy from Bishopton Girls for being strong and never giving up
- Connor P4 – medal from BB for bowling and medals from nursery
- Harrai P4 – medals from different dance competitions
- Eilish P4 – medals from different dance competitions
- Lexie P4 – made a mould of her hand out of wax and made a clay elephant
- Mylah P4 – made a dog out clay
- Roma P3/2 – badge from Rainbows for performing a magic trick
- Layla P7 – medal for coming in 3rd place at a gymnastic competition
- Lucy P7 – medal for taking part in a gymnastic competition (Gymfest) and a trophy for football
- Emma P7 – took part in a dance show with her dance company
- Lucy P7 – took part in a dance show with her dance company
- Max P7 – has gained a role in 'Matilda the Musical' which will take place at SECC in March
- Aila P3 – medal for taking part in the 'Santa Dash', 2 x medals for finishing in 2nd place at a gymnastic competition, gymnastic medal for Vault
- Roma P3/2 – made a homemade beaded 'Stitch' character
- Connor P4 – medal for completing 'Santa Dash'
- Cameron P4 – making posters at home to promote keeping the school clean, Football medal
- Euan P4 – Took part in a Cross-country cycle
- Ewan P4 – certificate for passing grade one piano
- Erin P6 – created more hand drawn portraits and drawings in her own time
- Adam P7/6 – medal for coming runner up in 'Green ball tennis tournament'
- Frances P5 – badge and certificate for passing Silver Award at Brownies
- Matilda P2 – badge and certificate for passing Bronze Award at Rainbows
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- Alfie P1 – award for good behaviour at camp
- Halle P1 – award from her dance club for best dance moves
- Mylah P4 – medal for end of football season
- Matilda P2 – 2 x medals for passing level 1 and level 2 in gymnastics
- Rory P2 – medal and trophy from end of season awards at football club
- Millie P7/6 – part of Nutcracker theatre show – performed at Glasgow Royal Theatre and will be performing in Newcastle too

Please encourage your child to come and share their achievements outside of school so they can be recognised. These don't have to be linked to sport and can be for any achievement outside of school. Well done to all these children!

Keeping in Touch



Remember to look out for us on X. You don't need to have an X account to access our account, just search for @BushesPrimary in your search engine. If you do have X, why not follow us!

We are continuing to update and add new features to the school website. Keep checking our website at <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/re/bushes/> for the latest news and information from Bushes Primary.

If you have an enquiry, please ensure you contact the school office (0300 300 0149) or enquiries email (bushesenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk).



Parent Council

The Parent Council hosted their annual Christmas Fayre on Saturday the 16th of November. Once again it proved to be another highly successful event with even Santa Claus finding the time to stop by! The Christmas Raffle also proved to be very popular with a number of parents and children winning some fantastic prizes! Both of these events raised an amazing £2630! As always, all funds raised will be used to support the work of the school. My sincerest thanks go to the Parent Council, school, staff, and our wider Parent Forum for your continued support.

We continue to meet every month and are always looking for new members. Please support the vital work we do as it benefits every child within the school. Parent Council meetings are usually scheduled for the first Tuesday of every month and are held in the staff room at 6.30pm. Our next meeting is on Tuesday 14th January at 6.30pm

Our next disco will be on Thursday 6th February and a separate letter will be sent out with details. We would appreciate any helpers who can spare their time to make the event possible.

Nativity



All the children in the infant classes did an amazing job of performing this year's Nativity! I thoroughly enjoyed watching it and it was wonderful to see the children enjoying performing for the audiences. I would like to make a special mention to all the staff who worked on it and made it possible.



Scottish Showcase

On Friday 24th January, pupils in ELC Class and P1-P7 will be taking part in a Scottish Showcase. Each class will have the chance to perform a Scottish themed artistic piece (poem, song etc.) on stage. We would love to invite you to come along and support the pupils. **There will be two shows, one at 9.30am and one 1.45pm. Entry to the hall will be from 9.15am and 1.30pm.** Due to limited space in the hall, 1 ticket per family will be available in the first instance, with any spares being made available later. A letter detailing this will be sent home this week.

World Book Day



This year we will once again be celebrating World Book Day on **Thursday 6th March**. Details of the day will be sent home closer to the time.



Whole School Open Afternoon

On the afternoon of **Wednesday 2nd April**, we are looking forward to welcoming you into the school. Children are working hard in their classes and are very excited about sharing their learning with you. Details of how the event will work will be sent home very soon. Children will be dismissed from their classrooms at 3pm as usual. I look forward to seeing you all there!

Attendance



On average, attendance **above 95%** is what would be aimed for across the school year as there are direct links between attendance and children's attainment. I monitor attendance across the whole school monthly to ensure that children are attending as often as possible. I am fully aware children may need to miss school for occasional appointments or illness, but I would like to ask for your continued support in helping your child to attend school as much as possible. It is also extremely beneficial when children attend school on time as it sets them up positively for the day ahead. If you are facing any difficulties in supporting your child to attend school or to do so on time, please reach out to us and we will do all that we can to support you in this. The more children attend school the better opportunity they give themselves to reach their full potential.

If you have any concerns regarding your child's education, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Craig McCrorie



Dates for your Diary

January	
Tuesday 14 th	Parent Council Meeting 6.30pm
Friday 24 th AM and PM	ELCC, P1-P7 Scottish Showcase
February	
Thursday 6 th	Parent Council Disco
Thursday 13 th	Non-Uniform Day
Friday 14 th	Inservice Day (school only open to staff)
Monday 17 th and Tuesday 18 th inclusive	Holiday
Thursday 20 th	World Thinking Day
March	
Tuesday 4 th	Parent Council Meeting 6.30pm
Thursday 6 th	World Book Day
Wednesday 12 th	Parents' Night (3pm-9pm P1-P7)
Monday 24 th – Friday 28 th	P6s Residential Trip to Lockerbie Manor
April	
Wednesday 2 nd	P1-P7 Open Afternoon
Friday 4 th	Non-Uniform Day
Friday 4 th	Finish 2.30pm
Monday 7 th – Monday 21 st inclusive	Holiday
Tuesday 29 th	Parent Council Meeting 6.30pm
May	
Thursday 1 st	P7s Parents and Carers Evening at Gleniffer High School 6.30pm
Friday 2 nd	ELC Class and P1-P7 Sports Days (to be confirmed)
Monday 5 th	Holiday
Wednesday 14 th and Thursday 15 th	P7s Induction at Gleniffer High School
Thursday 15 th	New Primary 1s Induction at Bushes
Thursday 22 nd	Non-Uniform Day
Friday 23 rd	Inservice Day (school only open to staff)
Monday 26 th	Holiday

Thursday 29 th	Parent Council Disco
June	
Tuesday 3 rd	Parent Council AGM Meeting 6.30pm
Wednesday 18 th and Thursday 19 th	P7 School Show
Tuesday 24 th	P7 Prom
Thursday 26 th	P7 Leavers' Service ***will be in afternoon this year***
Friday 27 th	Finish at 1pm

Please note some dates may be unavoidably changed