

FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

Meet our new school
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Rights Raccoon.
Designed by N.
Barlow P7



Our Pupil Council, in consultation with our whole school community, have finalised our new school motto:

'Where HEARTS lead, we succeed!'

DIARY DATES

- Director visit – 2nd
- Parent Council meeting – 2nd
- P6 and P7 Netball Competition – 2nd
- Handball festival – 3rd
- Natter and Chatter – 4th
- Family Fun night – 4TH
- Show Racism Red Card workshops – 6th
- Trauma Informed Parent Information evening – 11th
- Valentine Disco – 12th
- School closed – 16th and 17th
- Inservice Day – 18th
- Whole school Committees – 19th
- Behaviour conversation sheet – 27th

Lockerbie Manor

At the end of January, our Primary 7 pupils braved the cold and set off on their last primary year residential to Lockerbie Manor in Dumfries. The class had a brilliant time experiencing lots of new and fun activities and making memories along the way. They took part in kayaking, canoeing, axe throwing, abseiling, fencing, ziplining, to name just some of their experiences. Also, a big thank you to the staff for giving up their time to take them. Well done everyone!



Primary 7 residential 2026

At the beginning of the week I had the pleasure of welcoming the Director of Children's Services, Janie O'Neil to our school. She enjoyed a walk round meeting our young people and staff and positively commented on the hardworking pupils and our fantastic learning environment.

Best wishes,
Cara Wadsworth, Head Teacher

Attendance

I'd like to remind you of our procedures for recording absence.

1. If your child is absent from school please phone the school office before 9.30 in the morning. Please do not contact staff through Seesaw to do this.
2. The office will send a text reminder if they have not heard from you then a phone call.
3. If the office have not heard from you they will record the absence as unauthorised.

We will continue to monitor attendance on a monthly basis. SLT are readily available to discuss ways to support you and your child getting to school.



Active Communities cooking skills session

Fordbank Loves Sports

This term, our pupils will continue to experience a number of sports clubs and also sporting tournaments and festivals. Events include:

- oCross country event
- oFootball Festival
- oNBA tournament
- oNetball tournament

Our Sports Committee is busy across the school making improvements to our equipment, environment and planning a full health week later in the year.

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