

Glencoats Primary School
January Newsletter 2023

**WELCOME
BACK**

BIKE MAINTENANCE P6 & 7



A huge thanks to Marc and the team at **Oan Yer Bike** for supporting our bike maintenance sessions for P6 & 7 which will be taking place over the year. Children have been put into groups and will learn important life skills.

We would really like our parents/carers to join in with the sessions - please see the dates/times for your child and come along!

ROBERT BURNS' POETRY COMPETITION



We are looking forward to our Burn's Poetry Competition later this month. Children in all classes are asked to learn a poem and teachers will be choosing winners from each class to perform to classes across the school.

Please can you help your child to practise their poem at home in preparation for the competition? Thanks!

NEW STAFF - WELCOME



A warm welcome to Miss Melville who has joined our support staff in the role of ASNA. Miss Melville is working in Primary 2 but is also helping our P1s and P3s some of the time. She has been a great addition to the team!

BEAT BUDDIES MUSIC SESSIONS



Our P3s, 4s and 5s are enjoying weekly Beat Buddy sessions with Graeme which will last until Easter. They are learning lots of music skills through active sessions including singing and using percussion.

**GLENCOATS PAWS AWARDS
Pupils Achieving Wider Success**



Please remember to let us know about any wider achievements for your child out of school! We will celebrate these at assembly and give out a PAWS certificate! Your child can ask their teacher for a PAWS slip or you can send a message through Seesaw.

**COACH CALDOW!
WELL-BEING LEADER!**



We are delighted to have Coach (Euan) Caldwell working with classes across the school to develop Social Skills through outdoor learning and sports activities - the children are enjoying learning important life skills while having lots of fun! Euan is also helping our P7 Sports Leaders to support our infant children in the playground each week as well as leading lunchtime and after school activities/clubs - thank you Coach Caldwell!!

HOMWORK POLICY LAUNCH



Thanks to all our parents/carers who completed the recent survey on homework - we have taken your views on board and have created our new Homework Policy.

This will be given out on Monday 23rd January on Seesaw and will also be published on our website. If you have any further questions about homework or wish to discuss individual needs, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher or a member of the senior leadership team.

PRIMARY 7 TRANSITION SESSIONS



Primary 7 will be taking part in lots of transition sessions with staff from Castlehead Secondary who are providing regular online lessons. **Parents of P7 pupils moving to Castlehead are invited to a parents' meeting on 8th February at 2pm at Glencoats Primary.**

TERMLY DIARY JANUARY - APRIL - IMPORTANT DATES



26th January & 3rd February - P6 Bike Maintenance - please see info per group that has been sent on Seesaw - parents/carers please come along and join us! Children should bring their bikes to school

3rd February 1.30pm - Primary 6/7 and Primary 7 are leading a **Burns' Supper** for parents/carers of these classes - we look forward to welcoming you along! More info will be sent from the children about the event

7th February 1.30pm - Safer Internet Day - all parents/carers will be invited along to an event in the hall followed by visits to classes to learn more about internet safety

10th February 1.30pm - All children will go along to a **Valentine Disco** in school during the afternoon led by our wonderful DJ, Mr Craig!

23rd February 6.30pm - 8pm - All parents/carers/children are invited to our **Family Bingo Night** - lots of fun and prizes!

27th February - Rafferty House are leading our **Fairtrade Focus Week** - children across the school will be taking part in lots of activities to learn about Fairtrade and Equality

28th February - P7 pupils to bring bikes to school for **P7 Bike Checks** in preparation for Bikeability

1st March 1.30pm - Parents/Carers of children P4 - P7 are invited to join us for our **Come Read With Me** event, where they will come to the hall followed by visits to classes with the children

2nd March - World Book Day - more info to follow!

2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd March - P7 Bikeability Level 2 Training - children to bring bikes to school on these dates

9th March 1.30pm - Family Wellbeing Café - parents/carers will be invited to a wellbeing café - more information to follow!

24th March - Annual Report Cards will be issued to parents/carers

30th March - Parents' Night Meetings - teachers will issue individual times for children

31st March - Stop for **Easter Holidays** - school will re-open on Monday 17th April