

Inchinnan Primary School January 2019 Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the January newsletter. I hope you enjoy reading about all the exciting things that have taken place within Inchinnan Primary during January.

New Awards

We are starting off the New Year by introducing two new awards to Inchinnan Primary.

The first award is 'Sumdog Millionaire'. This will be awarded each month to the individual in each class who has managed to spend the most time or make the greatest improvement on the Sumdog numeracy programme. This includes time spent both in school and at home on the programme.

The other award will be 'Word Millionaire'. This will be presented to any child who manages to read a million words on the Accelerated Reading programme. Both awards are to focus and encourage the children in developing their love of reading and numeracy.



Celtic Connections

This month saw every class having the opportunity to go and visit Glasgow Royal Concert Hall and experience a Celtic Connections concert. We received the tickets free and by using school funds and 'Cost of the school day' monies everyone went on the trip at no cost.

P1-3 were joined by the nursery to see Talisk, Ryan Young & Jenn Butterworth which took them on a journey, lifting your spirits and bringing to life Scottish tunes with spellbinding fiddle playing.





P4-7's concert was the 21st Anniversary Celebration Concert - SonDeSeu and the RCS Juniors. This incorporated a mix of traditional Scottish and Spanish music.

Financial Education Week

Week commencing the 21st of January saw every class focus on a different aspect of financial education. Every class also received a MoneySense workshop supported by representatives from the Royal Bank of Scotland. These workshops aim to use real-life experiences to help children develop good money habits. If you would like to know more about these workshops and how you can support your child develop good MoneySense then visit -

https://rbs.mymoneysense.com/home



Burns Supper

A huge well done and thank you to Primary 7 & Primary 6 for their kind invitation to their wonderful Burns Supper. They had arranged, organised and ran the whole event. All the invited guests commented on the high standard of the speeches and entertainment on offer, as well as enjoying the traditional feast of haggis, neeps and tatties. Definitely an afternoon to remember.



Thematic Inspection

On Tuesday the 29th February we had Sadie Cushley, an HMIe inspector, visit the school as part of a national thematic inspection. It focused on curriculum leadership and how well headteachers and schools are empowered to design their curriculum in line with Curriculum for Excellence and in collaboration with their community. The inspector met with all staff, as well as representatives from pupils, parents and partners.



Feedback was very positive and the inspector particularly noted the confidence and politeness of our pupils, alongside the very positive feedback from parents and partners. Many thanks to all those who gave up their time to be part of this, it is much appreciated.

Staffing

I'm sure many of you will already have heard that Mrs Hamill is currently off and now recovering from major surgery. We wish her well and a speedy recovery. Mrs Hunter has taken over responsibility of Primary1 in her absence.

Mrs Smith is also currently recovering from surgery to repair a broken wrist following a recent fall on the ice. We all sent Mrs Smith our good wishes and hope she has a speedy recovery.

I'm delighted to say that Mrs Patton will be coming back to work at Inchinnan, week beginning the 4th February on a phased return basis for the first month. It's wonderful to have her fit enough to begin to come back to work, Yipee! She has been greatly missed, especially by all during playtimes.



Celebrating Success

I am delighted to share with you the following good news...

Ben Stevenson - received certificate for outstanding effort and good behaviour at Gymnastics

Grace Ward- wrote and performed a poem about a bird

Callan O'Hare - achieved 'Star of the Week' medal from Striker football

Emily Walker – won a trophy for most enthusiastic dancer and achieved 1^{st} place medal for sword dancing Abby Hayes- signed for Rangers 2008 academy for girls football (although 2009) and has new strip for playing with the team

Callum Arthur - awarded Best Newcomer from Bishopton Football Club, plus medal

Jay Derrick - has now written 10 books, some in different genres e.g. a guide book

Rosie Walker - received rising star medal and preprimary bronze trophy for Highland dancing

Lucy Mills - has made a poster to help promote monthly health targets

Archie Johnstone, Louis Johnstone, and Anders Linden all won medal at recent football tournament Maya Jones, Rebecca Lardner, Mia Kirkhope, Maria Shambrook and Emma Donnelly all received 'Mary's Magic' movie screening badge from Brownies

Many congratulations to all our talented Children, we are all very proud of you!

Please keep bringing in any awards/achievements that have been awarded outside school, allowing us to celebrate them and share them with the whole school community.



Parent Council

The next Parent Council meeting will be held at 6pm on Monday 18th February 2019.

All Welcome

<u>Diary Dates - February</u>

Friday 1st February

- 9.45am P5/4 Class Assembly, parents welcome for tea/coffee in school beforehand Monday 4th Feb.
- Anti-Bullying Assembly
 Wednesday 6th Feb.
- 12.20pm Football match Inchinnan v
 Bishopton at Park Mains High School

School Closed - Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th of February In-service - Wednesday 13th Feb. Pupils return Thursday 14th Feb.

Monday 18th Feb

- 6pm Parent Council meeting at School Tuesday 19th Feb.
- P3/4 & P4/5 'Go for Bronze' music input Thursday 28th Feb.
- 6pm Parent Council Movie Night

Friday 1st March

- 9.45am P3/4 Class Assembly, parents welcome for tea/coffee in school beforehand
- Pupil progress report home

Save the Date

School Show Wednesday 27th March P5-7 will present 'Mystery at Magpie Manor'

As always, we value your thoughts and opinions and welcome comments you may have regarding any issues or concerns no matter how small.

Please feel free to drop in for a quick chat, email the school on

<u>inchinnanenquires@renfrewshire.gov.uk</u> or for a longer discussion make an appointment through the school office on 0141 812 1268.

Kind regards

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