



Inchinnan Primary School

Small school... big aspirations

December 2021/January 2022 Newsletter

Dear Parents



Welcome to the December/January Newsletter. I would like to wish you and your families a very happy New Year. I hope you all managed a good break and some well-deserved rest over the festive period, after what has been another challenging year.

Fundraising - Save the Children - Christmas Jumper

Many thanks to the Pupil Council for organising our 'Save the Children' fundraising - Christmas Jumper activity. Through the parent pay system £81 was donated, which will be further matched by Renfrewshire Council. Many thanks for your contributions and to all those involved.

Keep Safe Kids App

Keep Safe Kids App is a new way for children and young people in Renfrewshire to find health and wellbeing support and report bullying and wellbeing concerns. Developed by more than 60 pupils from six schools and the charity 'I Am Me' Scotland, the app is also packed with help and information for you as a parent or carer. All reports made through the app are sent directly to the school and will be picked up in the normal way during school hours. Reports can be made anonymously and at any time of day. Information is not stored on the app meaning your data is secure. The Keep Safe Kids app can be downloaded from iOs and Android.

Staffing

As with many sectors, staffing is proving a real challenge across all aspects of the service, between normal seasonal absences, covid related absence, and self isolation requirements. Many facets are having to change at short notice, but we are doing all we can to limit the impact on pupils.

Good news! From the 31 January 2022 we welcome back Mr John Johnston on a full time basis. Even more good news, is that the local authority have given us some additional staffing until June which means Miss Wilson will stay with us and continue to teach Primary 2 until the summer 😊.

Universal School Meals Expansion

Many Primary 5's are now enjoying school meals through the recent expansion of universal school meals. As a result of this expansion, we have now reverted back to the two sittings rolling programme for Primary 3 to Primary 7, allowing all children to be able to eat lunch with their peers in the lunch hall. Further plans to introduce this provision to P6 and P7 in August, mean that going forward there are plans for Inchinnan Primary to revert back to a cooking kitchen.

Renfrewshire Nurturing Relationships (RNRA)- Parental Event

Many thanks to Rosalye Billing, our Education Psychologist, for her availability on Thursday 2 December 2021 to share this local authority and school development with parents. Unfortunately, only two parents attended and thus the event was cancelled. However, Mrs Hunter will soon be sending out some information for all families around this programme which is playing a significant role in school development this year and over the next few years. RNRA will hugely influence our new relationship policy, which will supersede some of our existing policies e.g discipline.

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I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Rosalye for her input and support of the school over the last year or so as she leaves to take up a new post in Dundee, the whole Inchinnan team wish her well in this new adventure.

Communication Survey

Many thanks to all families who contributed to the recent home/school communication survey, open to all before Christmas. Results of the survey will be shared with you shortly.

Defibrillator – For your Information/Attention

The local authority have recently installed a defibrillator outside the front door of the school building.

Parent Council

The next Parent Council meeting will be the AGM online at 6pm on Tuesday 1st February 2022.

Congratulations to



Term 2 House winners - team Luckinsford

Following recent virtual house meetings, Team Luckinsford have decided to delay their party until later in the session, in the hope of all the team being able to come together for the celebration.

Celebrating Success and Experiences outwith school - Please let us know of any awards / achievements / interesting experiences or opportunities that have been undertaken outside school, sending them to the school office or adding them to Seesaw, allowing us to celebrate and share them with peers

- Isla Black, P4 – Moved up a level at swimming.
- Owen Shaw, P3 – Undertook Cub Promise and Law and achieved first badge for Road Safety.
- Mrs Hunter – Awarded certificate for completion of Leadership training of RNRA.
- Grace Ward, P5 – Singing and performing Silent Night at church.
- Kyle Connelly, P6 – Moved up from Cubs to Scouts.
- Darcy Boyle, P6 – Flag bearer at Brownie parade and climbed two climbing walls.
- Louisa Craig, P3 – ‘Dancer of the Week’ from Dance Excel.
- Andrew Stewart, P3 – Awarded a medal for winning a bike race.
- Rhys Wynne-Jones, P7 – Moved up a level at tennis and is now at Junior Aces level.
- Connie Boyle, P4 – Made her Brownie Promise and received her badge.
- Oscar Donnelly, P4 – Won a medal at Strikers for efforts at football.
- Isla Black, P4 – Awarded a certificate for playing Christmas songs on her guitar.
- Vincent Stewart, P1 – Achieved level 2 certificate and a medal at Weewobblers.

Diary Dates -

Unfortunately, due to current restrictions and guidance, we still do not have the normal full diary of events and activities. Whenever possible we will continue to find alternative ways to offer these and/or other experiences.

Friday 14 January P6 Traditional Music input (1 of 4 consecutive weeks)

Tuesday 25 January P7 Burns Supper

Thursday 3 February Tracy Stewart visiting school - (New Head of Service)

Monday 14 February School closed for February half term

Thursday 17 February School reopens for pupils

Kind Regards

Nicola McGlynn

Head Teacher

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