



Inchinnan Primary School

Small school... big aspirations

February 2022 Newsletter

Dear Parents

Welcome to the February Newsletter. It's great to see an improving picture in respect of covid with mitigations slowly decreasing, and although school restrictions move slower than the wider society, it is cheering to know that we are moving in a more positive direction which hopefully this time will be for a long-term improvement.

Burns Supper

P7 enjoyed a wonderful Burns with everyone taking part in the school value of teamwork in Haggis, the Selkirk Grace, the to the Laddies as well as A huge thank you to Mrs Patton tatties a key element to any of the class it was the first time



tasting traditional Scottish fair such as haggis or Mrs P's famous tablet. Supper celebration in the gym hall, festivities, demonstrating our action. We had the address to the Toast to the Lassies and the Reply traditional Scottish song and poetry. for cooking the haggis, neeps and Burns Supper celebration. For some

Children's Mental Health week

Whole School Zumba



Monday 7 February saw the start of Children's Mental Health Week. The children took part in lots of activities to support and encourage good mental health. Lots of these activities included outdoor experiences and music which research has shown both can make positive impacts to your mental health. These included bird

Walk & Talk

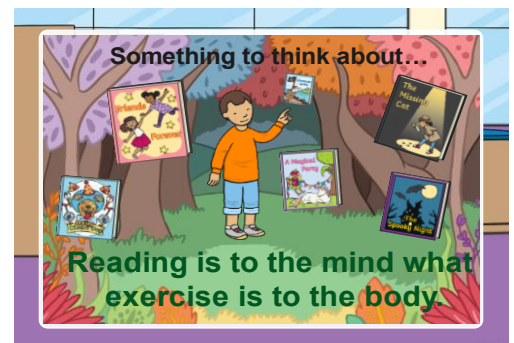


watching, gardening, nature walking, use of the mindfulness box, P4-7 lunchtime walk & talk sessions, where we were delighted to be joined by some families 😊. As well as lots of other activities undertaken in individual classrooms, but the highlight of the week was definitely the whole school, outside Zumba session led by Mr Johnston, well done everyone and keep focusing on your mental health, remember it's good to talk 😊.

'Smarties' Fundraising - Library Committee

A huge thank you to all our families for their wonderful efforts in the 'Smarties' fundraiser activity which raised an amazing £327 🍪. In addition to this there was also a £200 donation from Mrs Anderson at Mika Logistics Ltd, thanks you 😊.

The library committee will be meeting this week and I'm sure will enjoy spending this money on developing our library area to increase the love of reading by all, after all reading gives us all somewhere to go when we have to stay where we are!



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P6 Playleaders Award

P6 have not long started a block leading to The PlayMaker Award. The PlayMaker Award aims to help learners develop leadership skills such as organisation, communication and teamwork, as well as helping to build confidence and self-esteem as they take on the responsibility of assisting in leading their peers and younger children. This award is a great introduction into leadership giving learners knowledge of how to organise small games and activities. It is being delivered by Fraser Buchan (Active Schools Coordinator) alongside the class teacher Mr Johnston. Learners will all receive a Leadership Journal which they can use to record what they have learnt and done during the course; what they have enjoyed and what they found most challenging. Certificates will be awarded once learners have completed the core elements of the PlayMaker Award and have put PACE into practice.

Feis Phaislig

We are delighted to once again welcome back Feis Phaislig, who have undertaken a block of lessons with P6 and are just finishing off a block with P4. They have been exploring traditional music and dance with the children, which they have really enjoyed and gained much from the experience.

Staffing

At the February long weekend, we have said goodbye and good luck to Mrs Stevenson, who had been undertaking the lunchtime supervisory position for the last few months as she leaves to take up the role of ASNA at another school. We hope to appoint a new supervisory in the very near future.

A word from the Parent Council

The Parent Council recently had their AGM and were delighted to welcome Celia Maclean onto the Parent Council. The Parent Council have just purchased a full set of 15 Sphero robots for the school at over £2500 these are remarkably cool, programmable robots and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) based educational tools that transform the way kids learn. Some pupils and staff had the opportunity to choose their preference of coding robots and the majority picked the Sphero over Marty the Robot. This purchase was only possible due to our continuous monthly fundraising via our successful bonus ball, which raise nearly £300 each month. If anyone would like to join the monthly for £5 per number, you have the opportunity to win £150, for more information or to participate please get in touch.



We aim to improve our communication with parents as many have found the previous newsletter informative so please follow us on twitter @InchinnanPC or on Facebook- Inchinnan Primary Parent Info Page. In addition to speaking to a member of the parent council, we can be contacted via email: inchinnan@renfrewshire.npfs.org.uk. Please note that for individual concerns you should contact the school.

The next Parent Council meeting will be online at 6pm on Tuesday 6 March 2022

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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

- Emily Bean, P3 – “Dancer of the Week” at Dance Excel.
- Oscar Donnelly, P4 – Moved up to Stage 7 Swimming
- Emily McArthur, P4 – Moved up to Cubs
- Euan Walker, P3 – Football medal – Hard Work
- Euan Walker, P3- Badges from Beaver Promise
- Rachel Jeffrey, P1 – Dancing award
- Daisy Kilgour, P1 – Dancing award
- Isla Moriarty, P4 – Received trophy at football awards for teamwork
- Layla Dean, P3 – Football trophy – Under 7’s Renfrew Girls - Teamwork
- Charlotte Walker, P3 – Certificate from Brownies, for undertaking Brownie Promise
- Sophie Walker, P7 – Cycled 60 miles for Diabetes UK
- Louis Johnstone, P6 – Signed for Falkirk FC under 11’s
- Amelia Dickson, P5 – went Bouldering at Climbing Academy for the first time
- Olivia Dickson, P3 - went Bouldering at Climbing Academy for the first time
- Joshua Dick, P5 – now moved to Cub Section of Scouts
- Harris Allan, P5 – now moved to Cub Section of Scouts
- Charlie Dufton, P1 – Certificate and medal for Level 2 – “Tartan Tots”
- Skye Stevenson, P2 – “Dancer of the Week” at Dance Excel

Diary Dates -

Unfortunately, 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.

Monday 28 February	Cyber Week
Tuesday 1 March	Parent Council Meeting at 6pm
Thursday 3 March	World Book Day
Friday 4 March	P4 Traditional Music input
Tuesday 8 March	P3 & P5 Trip to Royal Concert Hall RSNO Gaspard’s Foxtrot
Wednesday 16 March	Parent’s Evening - phone calls
Thursday 24 March	P5 Trip to Glasgow Science Centre “Bodyworks”
Friday 25 March	P2 ‘Coffee & Chat’ event
Monday 28 March	P1 ‘Coffee & Chat’ event
Wednesday 30 March	New Entrants - Welcome to Inchinnan PS
Thursday 31 March	Easter Service in school
Friday 1 April	“Come as you Please” Day
Friday 1 April	2.30pm Stop for 2 week “Spring Break”
Monday 18 April	School closed Easter Monday Holiday
Tuesday 19 April	9am Staff & Pupils resume

We really do value your thoughts, opinions and welcome comments you may have regarding any issues or concerns, no matter how small. Please feel free to email the school on

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or, for a longer discussion, make an appointment through the school office on 0300 300 0161.

Kind regards

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