



Inchinnan Primary School

Small school.... big aspirations

March/April 2023 Newsletter

Dear Parents

Welcome to the March/April newsletter. Wow! What a busy period this has been, read on to find out all that has been going on, both before and after the 'Spring break'

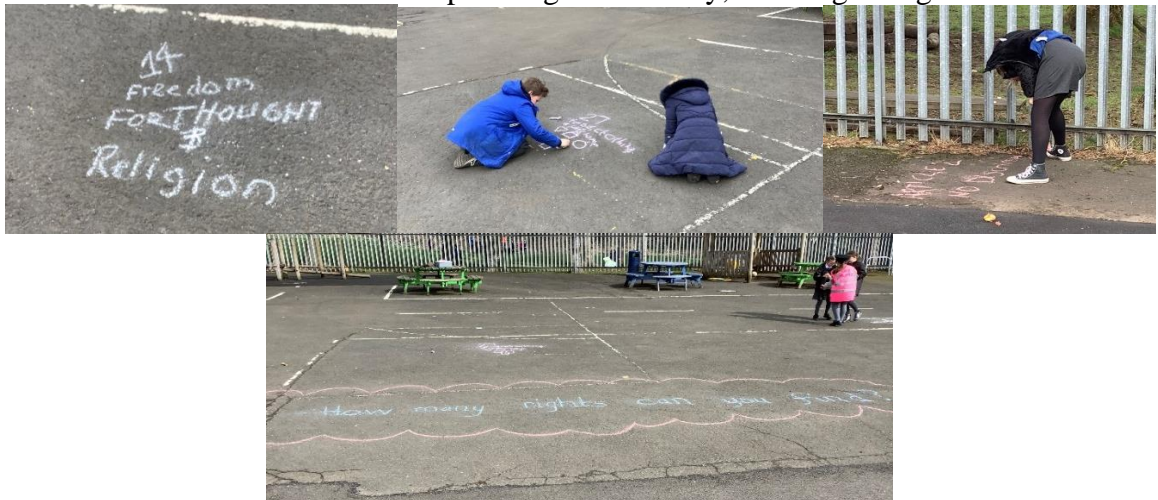
P3 Class Assemblies



What a fabulous Assembly presented by P3, where they shared all the different aspects of their recent learning about 'The human body'. Many thanks to all families that attended and supported P3 and for leaving such lovely comments for them to read and enjoy, while reflecting on what they had gained from this type of experience.

Rights Respecting Schools

The 'Rocking Rights' pupil lead committee that focuses on raising awareness of children's rights recently left a playground challenge for the whole school. They had placed a variety of rights around the playground for everyone to explore and try to work out how many of the 42 rights had been left written in chalk. The committee are now planning a whole day, focusing on rights.



World Book Day / Morrison's book donation



Many thanks to Elspeth from Morrisons Erskine for delivering their recent book donation on 'World Book' day. Our links with the local community are very important to us and we really appreciate all their support.

From the travelling book fair, during the last two parents evening £198 in commission was raised, most of this has been spent on a class set of 'Pugs of the Frozen North' following a request from P4 after their recent focus on this novel.

Inchinnan Primary School – Values

Respect, Kindness, Trust, Teamwork, Equity, Perseverance

P5 German Event at Park Mains High School

P5 recently visited Park Mains High, to enjoy an immersion of German culture. They undertook a variety of experiences which all link into the Scottish Government's approach to all children having experience of 3 languages/cultures by the end of P7. 1 – being the English Language, 2 - being French, which all classes explore from P1 and the third language can vary depending on individual school circumstances.



House Party

Congratulations to **Beardmore**, our House team winners for term 3 of session 2022-23 🥳. Following a quick house meeting, almost all children voted to wait until the end of the session before celebrating to allow them to hire an inflatable, definitely something to 'jump for joy' about!

The House Captains and Vice Captains have also introduced a motivation incentive where all Houses can achieve a reward if they reach the target. This is as well as the termly parties and hopefully addresses the issue of a House going a long time between parties. Hopefully this adds a further incentive for all.

RNRA -

The Dream ☆ Makers Committee have been using 'Star' our nurture bear to bring to life a resilience story that all the pupils last year helped to write. The story has been watched and read at two Assemblies so far and the children are very keen to find out how the story ends. Once it is fully complete, it will be shared with all our families.



School Grounds

Renfrewshire's Big Spring Clean is back! The School Grounds Committee like to support the Team Up to Clean Up Campaign every year and have organised a litter pick / school ground clean up during this term. More details to follow. Many thanks to the School Ground Committee for organising the Schools Grounds Day tidy up just before the holidays. 😊

Pupil Council

Good fun was had by all on Red Nose Day with the Pupil Council organising lots of fun activities to do on the day. They are also busy now preparing for the talent show which they will be running very soon.

Chess Club Update

A wee report on the UK Chess Challenge that we just completed. It was a very keenly fought competition, with the result going down to the wire! Indeed only 3 points separated the top 8 with the others not far behind. In the end, 3 children finished on 17 points out of 21, and a tie break was applied with the result that Marcus McDonald P7 retaining his School Chess Champion title and wins the trophy, Roman McPhee P5 finished in 2nd place and Joshua McDonald P5 finishing 3rd. The children received their certificates and prizes just before 'Spring Break'. A special mention for Roman who went along to the Mega Finals, the next round in the UK Challenge, where he competed in the Under 10s and came away with a fantastic 3pts out of 6, in a field which included children who are on the verge of playing for Scotland! Well done indeed!

Inchinnan Primary School – Values

Respect, Kindness, Trust, Teamwork, Equity, Perseverance

Eco – Committee

The eco-committee were delighted to be involved in building bird boxes to encourage more birds to nest in our local woodland - Teucheen Woods. Along with the practical skills involved the group also learnt about the type of birds their boxes would encourage and why this is so important to the whole eco system.

As you can see from all the items above - our pupil lead committees have been very busy. As a school we find the committees not only give the children a chance to develop their interests but allow them to develop teamwork and leadership skills. Skills that are vital in the wider world of work and life.

Inchinnan Care Home Visit

The Parent Council initiated a planned activity aimed at involving Inchinnan Care Home in Easter celebrations. Our pupils made Easter Cards for the residents, families, and staff within Little Inch Care Home. Primary 7 pupils visited and delivered the cards which were greatly received. This visit was such a success that we have since followed it up with another visit, where P7 sang their school show songs and dances. Partnership working within our local community leads to positive outcomes for all and the visits have provided very rewarding for both the residents and our pupils. Watch here to find out what happens next month!

Twitter

The school now has a Twitter account. It will allow us to share news, events and information about our school community as well as helping us showcase the wonderful learning opportunities our pupil's experience through connection to the wider community. Please follow us on @InchinnanPS.



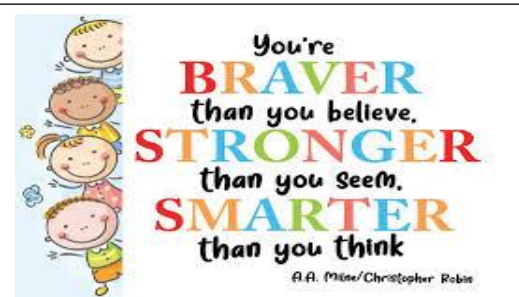
Staffing

Congratulations to Mrs Kay on the arrival of baby Evie, both mother and baby are doing very well. We were delighted to welcome both into school just before the end of last term.

Diary Dates -

Session 2022- 23 Term 4

- 1 May - Holiday- **School Closed**
- 4 May - P2 Class Assembly 9.30am
- 8 May - Holiday- **School Closed**
- 10 & 11 May - School review
- 15 May - Health Week
- 15 May - P5 & P6 Bikeability
- 15 May - P7 PMHS Induction Day
- 16 May - Potted Sports (whole school pm tbc)
- 16 May - P5 & P6 Bikeability
- 17 May - P6 Swimming
- 17 May - P6 Bikeability
- 17 May - P7 Oral health talk
- 17 May - P7 World of Work input from PMHS
- 18 May - Sports Races - whole school am
- 18 May - P6 Safe Kids Event
- 18 May - P6 Bikeability
- 19 May - P5 & P6 Bikeability
- 22 May - P6 Bikeability
- 23 May- P7 Transition to PMHS (pm)
- 24 May - P6 Swimming
- 25 May - "Come As you Please" No football colours
- 26 May - 29th May Holiday- **School Closed**
- 30th May - Holiday- **Inservice only staff to attend.**
- 31st May - P6 Swimming



New Entrants – Transition dates

- 12 May (11 am) – informal "Meet and Greet" Session
- 22 May (1.45-2.30pm) Class Intro Teambuilding/Sports Activity (children only)
- 1 June (1.30 -2.30pm) Parent and Child Visit
- 15 June (11-12pm) Parent and Child Visit
- 12 June (12 pm) Lunchtime experience (parent and child)
- 21 June – drop in session for parents 9-10am or 2-3pm

Inchinnan Primary School – Values

Respect, Kindness, Trust, Teamwork, Equity, Perseverance

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

Josh McDonald P4 - completed a family walk up Gennifer Braes.

Layla Dean P4 - achieved 'Black Belt' at recent Taekwondo.

Robyn Shand P2 - moved up a level at swimming lessons.

Charlotte Walker P4 - awarded a trophy as 'Dancer of the Week'

Emily McArthur P5 - sang at Paisley Abbey with Feis Phaislig

Mrs Derrick P1 - undertook 100 skips every day in Feb.

Layla Dean P4 - took part in a freestyle Dancing competition and achieved a medal

Isla Black P5 - during holidays took part in a production of 'Matilda' the musical – received medal for participating

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 inchinnanenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk or, for a longer discussion, make an appointment through the school office on 0300 300 0161.

Kind regard

Nicola McGlynn

Head Teacher

Inchinnan Primary School – Values

Respect, Kindness, Trust, Teamwork, Equity, Perseverance