

Inchinnan Primary School

Small school.... big aspirations November 2023 Newsletter

Dear Parents

Welcome to the November newsletter. We hope you enjoy reading all about some of the learning experiences that have been taking place this month.

P6 - learning Activities/Experiences

This month P6 have been out and about for several learning experiences. They undertook a highly enjoyable class trip on the 8th to the David Livingstone Centre where they learned all about David's life growing up in the early 19th century. They also learned about his time in Africa. All adding to the learning undertaken in class.



P6 have recently completed 2 sessions at Erskine pool. This was highly enjoyable, and they were able to set their next steps in swimming. Well done P6 you were great representatives of the school.



Many thanks to all the family members who attended the P6 class assembly on 15th November. This was once again well attended, and everyone enjoyed the mix of information, song and drama. The assembly was based on the class novel 'Holes' which all children engaged with strongly.

Book Week / skoobmobile

The library committee organised daily activities for the whole school, ranging from dot to dots, wordsearches, cosy cushion time, masked reader, HT story time, codebreaker and book character hunt. This was alongside the Scottish Book Trust presentation of books to P2 and P3's. The Skoobmobile visited during the week and P1 families were invited along to participate in the presentation of Book Trust book packs to P1. A highly successful week, many thanks to the library committee for their hard work.

Beat the Street - Presentation



Craig Dalziel who led this initiative within schools and his team, recently came along to our whole school Monday morning assembly to present the 'Beat the Street' trophy and certificate to us following our 1st place on the Average Point Leaderboard. Once again well done everyone Σ , we couldn't have done it without you.

Primary 7 Football

Some of our P7 pupils were recently at Park Mains High School to take part in an Erskine Cluster Football Festival. Many games were played and although there was disappointment at the loses, they now have a target to work towards for the next festival in March, onwards and upwards. Definitely a small school with big aspirations. Good effort and teamwork and good luck for the next one!

Headsets

A massive thank you to Mr Hughes who has organised and arranged a donation from hp – NWE Hybrid Systems Category, of gaming headsets, enough for every pupil in the school to have individual use of. Each class received a class set and class teachers will use as they deem appropriate.

Inchinnan Primary School – Values

P7 Heartstart

Heartstart visited Primary 7 to train pupils on how to deal with first-aid emergencies. Everyone did an excellent job recalling how to carry out such life-saving skills as CPR and dealing with serious bleeding. They role-played using resuscitation dolls and were also trained in using a defibrillator. The classes knowledge was impressive, and they left with the skills needed to save a life.

P1 Oral Health Talk

P1 recently enjoyed a visit from the oral health team, to support and encourage young children, to establish a healthy oral health routine, which when established at a young age, have a greater chance of lasting a lifetime, both the habit and of course their teeth.

Pupil Council

It was a busy week for the Pupil Council as they ran our annual Children in Need Fundraiser. All pupils were invited to come into school in the pyjamas and then had the opportunity to participate in a variety of games and activities. The pupils worked hard to complete Joe Wicks challenge, culminating in a total of 1900 burpees. Even our school bear was given a 'starring' role as the children wrote stories about Star and Pudsey. It was a hugely successful day with the Pupil Council raising £140.68 for Children in Need. This will be matched by the Local Authority to give us a total donation of £280. The Pupil Council would like to thank everyone who donated.

Remembrance

The Pupil Council led the school in an emotional Remembrance Service. In the days running up to this, the Pupil Council had been busy selling poppies throughout the school. As part of their service they told the school of the origins of the poppy and the importance of Remembrance Day. Each class laid beautiful poppy lanterns which were laid in the centre of the gym and were a focus for the school's minutes silence.

Parents Survey

A huge thank you to all the parents who have already completed our online Parent Survey while waiting on their Parental appointment/s, and the first of 2 that we undertake each session. We currently have a 70% response rate, but it's not too late, there is still time to complete one if you have not already done so, using the link below.

https://forms.office.com/e/9G0E2pMKys

Please be assured that we look very closely at the information received through these surveys, alongside, the information on surveys undertaken by the children and staff, to identify the aspects for continuously school improvement and the priority of these next steps.

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

- Charlotte Hughes P4 Awarded 2 certificates while on holiday for activities on stage.
- Layla Dean P5 Won 2nd place in a baking competition at Brownies and also achieved back walk over.
- Charlotte Hughes P4 Made 2 skeletons at home with magic paper.
- Isla Hughes P1 Awarded a certificate for Song and Dance factory Superstar.
- Owen Shaw P5- Achieved manual on BMX at Glasgow BMX centre.
- Megan McGarvey P4- Took part in a Gymnastic show and enjoyed it.
- -Louisa Craig P5 Achieved 2nd place in Brownie cake making competition
- -Megan McGarvey P5 Achieved one handed cartwheel
- -Skye Stevenson, Ava Gill and Sara Malik P4 Moved up gymnastics class.
- -Skye Stevenson P4 and Layla Dean P5- Got white belts in kick boxing.

Gentle reminders -

- Dogs should not be brought into the playground, even if they are on a lead/in arms.
- The school car park is for staff and visitors only, unless by prior arrangement with the school.
- Seesaw communication, any important information e.g. child's absence, appointments, holiday notification, arranging meeting with staff member etc or urgent updates e.g. school pick ups etc. should be sent directly to the school office either by phone or enquires email to ensure a timely response, thus avoiding any disappointment or upsets.

Many thanks with your support on these matters.

PARENT COUNCIL

The next Parent Council Meeting is **online on Tuesday 30 January 2024**, a link will be distributed nearer the time.

Diary Dates -

Session 2023-24 - Term 1 & 2

- 1st December Scottish Afternoon 1.30pm at church (ticketed event)
- 1st December- Christmas Tree service at Inchinnan Parish church 6.30pm- all welcome
- 7th December Christmas Jumper Day 'Chuck it in the Bucket' donation to Save the Children appeal
- 7th December Christmas lunch, pre ordered only available on the day
- 7th December P6 to church for Bubblegum 'n' Fluff input.
- 14th December Whole School Panto > Treasure Island at Pavilion.
- 19 December P3, P4 & P5 Christmas Party (PM) Party clothes can be worn.
- 20 December P1 & P2 Christmas Party (PM) Party clothes can be worn.
- 21 December P6 & P7 Christmas Party (PM) Party clothes can be worn.
- 22 December P1-3 Nativity Service at Inchinnan Parish Church @ 11 am
- 22nd December school closes at 2.30pm for the Christmas break
- 8th January 2024 school re-opens for staff and pupils.

For ease of reference, the school website has all diary dates for the rest of the session.



Kind regards

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