



Inchinnan Primary School

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October/November 2024 Newsletter

Dear Parents

Welcome to the October/ November Newsletter. As always, another busy period for 'Team Inchinnan'. Read on and find out about all that's been happening! 📖

P6 Assembly

Primary 6 delivered a fantastic assembly to their friends and family about their recent World War One topic. It was clear that a tremendous amount of work was carried out and the children were able to demonstrate their learning with confidence.

Sincere thanks to all that managed to come along and for taking the time to leave the Primary 6 children comments about their presentation.



Library Committee

During Book Week Scotland (18th - 22nd November) the 'Library Squad' worked extremely hard to plan and prepare fun and engaging activities for the whole school to enjoy. We had a story by the fireplace with Mrs McGlynn. Read, write, and count bags were gifted to P2 and P3. We also had the design the library mascot competition, reading café during lunchtime and a literacy trivia quiz. On 29th Nov. P1's had a visit from the skoobmobile, listened to some new stories and were gifted their book bug bags. All the activities not only promoted reading but also foster a sense of community within the school. Well done everyone! 😊

Mascot Competition winners for each class:

P1/2 – Millie Donnelly

P2/3 – Rose Douglas

P4/3 – Halle Lang

P5 – Charlotte Hughes

P6 – Lucas Nicolson

P7 – Emily McArthur



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Pupil Council

Another very busy month for the Pupil Council. On Monday 11th November the pupil council led the Remembrance Day assembly. Each class had been tasked with making a Poppy Wreath, which class representatives, paraded in and laid out before going through a presentation explaining the origins of Remembrance Day and the significance of the Poppy. We hope you have had the chance to see the wreaths displayed in the corner window of the school.

The House Captains were invited to lay a wreath on behalf of the school at Erskine Community Gardens.



Many thanks for your wonderful support of the Pupil Council's charity fundraising event on Friday 15th November, wearing PJs/Onesies and selling badges to raise money for the 'Children in Need' appeal. We raised £189.47 which the local authority will match to allow us to donate £378.94, amazing, well done everyone! 🙌



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Parental Information Session

We were delighted to welcome families along to our Parental Information session on the 23rd of October. We would like to thank all staff who delivered a presentation on: Internet Safety, Health and Wellbeing, Renfrewshire's Staged Intervention Framework, Growth Mindset, Skills, Reading, Rights Based Learning and Play in the Primary classroom.

We were grateful to our Educational Psychologist who provided an insight to Renfrewshire's Nurturing Relationships Approach as well as highlighting tools that we use to ensure that the learning environment is right for all learners in the school.

Information from the session will soon be available on our website for you to access if you weren't able to come along.

Your feedback:-

"Thank you so much for this event. I really appreciate everything you do for my child."

"Well done to all staff on wonderful and informative presentations keep up the good work everyone."

"Thanks so much for putting on the afternoon, I definitely felt I got a lot out of it even though my oldest is in P6."

"It was a great refresher for all sites visited, thanks to all the staff for putting this together. Very informative and relevant to support of our children."



Parent's Evening

Many thanks for your continued support and attendance at our recent Parent Evening a wonderful turnout as always. Parental engagement is a real strength of the school and we are always keen to have your feedback and views on all aspects of school business. If you didn't manage to complete our Parental Questionnaire, please spare a few moments now to give us your views on how we are doing, using the QR code below or link.

Your feedback forms part of the body of evidence we gather and use to identify and plan school priorities and developments for the next session and beyond.



<https://forms.office.com/e/4Rh7xCJEa4>

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PARENT COUNCIL

A huge **thank you** 🙌 to the Parent Council who have been spending lots of their funds on resources and activities for all the children at Inchinnan Primary. Below you will see a picture of our new Voxblock resource, which offers children the opportunity to listen to a variety of stories, alongside reading the book, if they wish. A wonderful addition to our library.

Monday 25th November, the whole school were treated to an interesting and very modern version of Pinocchio, the Pantomime. Fun and laughter all round, what a great way to start the week. Thanks again to the Parent Council for funding this opportunity.



The Parent Council were also successful in an application to the Flight Plan Fund. Using these funds and some funds from the Mears Grant the school had been awarded. Some new benches were purchased for the playground. They certainly brighten up this corner of the playground..



The next Parent Council Meeting is online on Monday 13th January 2025, a link will be distributed nearer the time. If you would like to contact the Parent Council please email:

inchinnan@renfrewshire.npfs.org.uk

Inchinnan Development Trust (IDT)

Many thanks to Maggi from the trust who has organised and arranged for an area of AstroTurf to be laid in the back playground. This has been on the pupil's wish list for years and offers a softer landing than the normal hard tarmac, 'Dreams really do come true'. The children have been making full use of this area, especially at this time of year when the forest area is closed at break times. Well done to all involved. 😊

Staffing

We are looking forward to welcoming Mrs Smith back at the beginning of December, however this means we say goodbye to Mrs MacInnes whose last day will be Friday 29th November. Many thanks to Mrs MacInnes for all her hard work over the last few weeks, best of luck in your new school.

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

Holly Moore & Isla Moriarty (P7) took part in the Erskine Park Run running 5k.

Emily McArthur (P7) sang with Feis Phaislig Coisir Gaidhlig (Paisley Festival Gaelic Choir) performed at the Country Square, Paisley on the afternoon of the 26th October as part of the Renfrewshire Halloween Festival.

Emily McArthur (P7) took part in the Royal National Mod at Oban with the Feis Phaislig Coisir Gaidhlig (Paisley Festival Gaelic Choir). They won two awards "The Donald and Marnie Macphail" Trophy and "The Darlington Society Silver Jubilee" Trophy. As winners they also appeared on BBC Alba.

Megan McGarvey (P5) took part in a baking competition at Brownies and won 3rd prize.

Emily McArthur (P7) had her first lesson on the Clarsach Instrument

Rachel Jeffrey (P4) Certificate for amazing work in ballet.

Iona Allan (P4) Great effort in technique and hip-hop certificate

Daisy Kilgour (P4) Certificate for showing great teamwork and participation.

Emily McArthur (P4) was presented with a Gold Medal from the Provost of Renfrewshire (Lorraine Cameron) for her recent Mod victory with the Feis Phaislig Coisir Gaidhlig (Paisley Festival Gaelic Choir)

Megan McGarvey (P5) and Chloe Miller (P4/3) both took part in gymnastics show and have recently undertaken bag packing at Morrisons with the Brownies.

Skye Stevenson (P5) has moved up a class in her Kickboxing.

School Photographs

On Wednesday 26th February 2025 we will welcome Graeme from Monument Photos to take our class, family (in school) and individual photos. Graeme comes well recommended and has won Scottish Master Photographer of the year 5 times in a row.

Diary Dates -

Session 2024-25 - Term 2

2nd December- School closed for St Andrew's Day.

5th December - P6 at Bubblegum 'n' fluff

6th December - 6.30pm - Christmas tree Community light switch on & Church Christmas tree Festival

12th December - P5 Class Assembly (P5 parent's Welcome from 9am for Tea & Coffee).

12th December - Christmas Jumper Day - 'Chuck it in the Bucket' donation to Save the Children appeal.

12th December - Christmas themed lunch - pre ordered only available on the day.

16th December - P3, P4 & P5 Christmas Party (Party clothes can be worn)

17th December - P7 WW2 class open afternoon.

18th December - P1 & P2 Christmas Party (Party clothes can be worn)

19th December - P6 & P7 Christmas Party (Party clothes can be worn)

20th December- P1-3 Nativity 11am at Church (more information to follow)

20th December - **School closes at 2.30pm for the Christmas break**

23rd December - 3rd Jan 2025 - School closed for Christmas.

6th Jan 2025- School re-opens for Staff & Pupils



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

The Staff and Pupils of Inchinnan Primary School

*Wish you all a Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year - 2025*



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

Kind regards

Nicola McGlynn

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