



Inchinnan Primary School

Small school... big aspirations
March / April 2026 Newsletter

Dear Parents

Welcome to the March/April newsletter. Another busy couple of months, with lots to celebrate and share with you.

World Book Day

Many thanks to the library committee for organising many interesting activities for the children to recognise and celebrate World Book Day on Thursday 5th March. The children particularly enjoyed the visit from a real life author David MacPhail.



Director's visit

On 16th March we were delighted to welcome Janie O'Neill the Director of Children's Services for her first visit to Inchinnan Primary. Mrs O'Neill was very impressed not only with our learning environment but by our well informed, polite pupils, and our ongoing high attainment/attendance levels.

Magic Monday

Our new award 'Magic Monday' celebrates individual contributions across all areas of school life. One nomination is made by the class teacher and the other by peers in their class. This has been enthusiastically received by our pupils. Our March winners enjoyed their hot chocolate and a chat with Mrs McGlynn and April winners with Mr Kirkwood.



March Winners



April Winners

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P3 & P4 Trip to Vikingar

On Monday 16th March P3 had their class assembly where P3 used very creative approaches to share their learning about Vikings and on Tuesday 17th March, P3 and P4 pupils brought their Viking topic to a thrilling conclusion with a trip to Vikingar! The children truly lived in our school values, representing us excellently while impressing the staff with their extensive knowledge. What a fantastic day of discovery.



P6 Trip to New Lanark

Our P6 class had an incredible day exploring the New Lanark World Heritage Site. We learned lots about Victorian life, but the highlight was definitely meeting a Victorian teacher! After experiencing a lesson in a very different classroom, the consensus was clear: we are VERY glad to be pupils in 2026 and not in the 1800s! 🗡️😬

A huge thank you to our tour guide, Graham, who gave us the ultimate compliment - he said *we were the best behaved class he's had in his 2 ½ years at the museum.*

We are incredibly proud of our P6s for being such fantastic assets to the school and living our school values throughout the trip. Well done everyone.



Parent & Pupil Learning Opportunity - Monday 23 March 2026

We were delighted to invite Live-N-Learn a partner company to come into school and deliver workshops for our P4-7 pupils and then, and maybe even more importantly a workshop for parents from 3-4pm, which unfortunately only 1 parent managed to attend. This interactive & powerful input gave everyone the chance to explore the science behind what happens to our brains with extended screen time and some approaches to helping reduce our time on devices.



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P5 Class Assembly

The P5 class assembly was all about the *Titanic*. Rachel in P5 reported: “We showed the parents how the Titanic sunk and why. We showed artwork of our massive version of Titanic, and we sang a song.” Ruaridh said P5 “performed with good expression and had good acting skills!” He thought one of the most interesting things about the design of the *Titanic* was that it had compartments to stop it from sinking, but it didn’t help. Perhaps the most impressive aspect of the assembly was the massive replica of the ill-fated ship!



Pupil Council



The Pupil Council visited Inchinnan Nursing Home to participate in some Easter Arts and Crafts activities. The children gifted their creations to the residents who were delighted to receive them. Congratulations to the Pupil Council who represented our school well, reflecting school values as well as enjoying meeting the residents.

Easter

Our Easter assembly was a lovely service led by Ann Knox, who talked to the children about the Christian significance of Easter and what this means to people of that faith. Thank you to Parent Council for donating Easter eggs for all the children, a lovely treat enjoyed by all.

Eco & Rights committees - Litter picking

Well done to the Eco and Rights committees who were involved in the recent ‘Team Up to Clean Up’ event. This gave both committees a wonderful opportunity to reflect what responsible citizens and effective contributors they are not only towards the school but to the wider community, well done and keep up the good work!



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Trust Ford colouring competition

A very special surprise for P4 who were absolutely thrilled to welcome Trust Ford, who paid a visit to the school to announce the winners of their Easter colouring competition. A massive congratulations to our P4 winner, who not only won a special goody bag for himself, but also an Easter Egg for his class! What an amazing treat for the whole room! Well done to our talented pupils.



School Football

Well done to the members of the school football club/team who represented Inchinnan at the March Cluster Football festival held at PMHS. The team showed fantastic teamwork and sportsmanship, with a mixture of results not always reflective of the team effort. Unfortunately due to the building works starting at Park Mains, the summer festival has had to be cancelled.

World of Work

Springtime sees us focus on 'World of Work' with visits by a couple of companies to support children's learning and understanding that the skills and knowledge they acquire at school can be transferred in later life to the workplace. We welcomed Thales and some engineers from Rolls Royce who presented to the children about their jobs and then children undertook a variety of activities. What a great opportunity and thank you to all those involved!



Many thanks to Mrs Thursby who organised and worked with a team of volunteers over the 'Spring Break' to ensure our picnic benches were repainted, 'spick and span' and ready to go for our pupils returning after the break. Children do love to have packed lunches outside during the summer term!

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

Eilidh Donnelly (P4) received a trophy for football season 25.

Jessica Wilson and Maia Bell (P2) received medals for forward rolls on the beam at gymnastics.

Miss McAdam (P6) completed 5K run at night round the Kelpies

Aurora Dhimitri (P3) achieved "Starfish" swimming certificate.

Miss Wilson (P2/1) completed 10K Paisley Road Race.

Ella McKendrick (P1) won "Best Player" at football.

Sarah Jeffrey (P2/1) received a trophy and certificate from "Inspire Dance" for great listening and 100% effort.

Parent Helpers



If anyone - parents/grandparents would like to help in school in anyway e.g. to help at trips/events, bring their skills and expertise to the school (hobbies/interests) or help on a more regular basis in classrooms, please contact the school and we can apply for a PVG. As they say “*many hands make light work*” and allows the school to offer an even wider range of experiences.

PARENT COUNCIL

The next Parent Council Meeting is **Monday 18th May online at 6pm**. If you would like to contact the Parent Council, please email: - inchinnan@renfrewshire.npfs.org.uk

Diary Dates -

Session 2025-26 - Term 3

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

- 7 May - Election Day - In-Service Day (only staff to attend)**
- 11 -15 May - Health & Wellbeing week**
- 13 May - Sports Day (weather permitting)**
- 18 May - P2/1 Class Assembly**
 - 6pm Parent Council meeting (online)
- 19 May - New P1 entrants - Teambuilding/Sports Activity**
- 22 May - Come as you Please (no football colours)**
- 25 May - School closed**
- 26 May - P6 Swimming commences -more info to follow.**
- 4 June - New P1 entrants- Parent & Child visit**
- 8 June - P6 YLL to Johnstone Town Hall**
- 9 June - New P1 entrants - lunchtime experience**
- 11& 12 June - P7 PMHS transition**
- 15 -17 June - P7 Residential trip to Lockerbie**
- 17 June - New P1 entrants - Parent & Child visit**
- 24 June - 90th Anniversary Celebrations - more info to follow**
- 25 June - New P1 entrants - drop in sessions**
- 29 June - P2/1 Trip to Briarlands Farm**
- 30 June - School closes for summer- 1pm finish.**



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

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