

# SCHOOL BULLETIN

## KILBARCHAN PRIMARY

APR 17



The very best!

What a fantastic Term we have had! At Parents' Night we heard all about how the pupils were developing as successful learners and it is clear from our show that Kilbarchan pupils are becoming confident individuals!

**Cross Country** – We also held trials for the school's cross country teams, P6 girls, boys, P7 girls, boys. The competition was very tight but we could only select 10 of each. The race itself will take place at Thomas Shanks Park, Johnstone on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April and I have high hopes!

**Spring Assembly** – We will have our Spring Assembly on Friday and we are delighted to welcome our minister to the event. The assembly will look at the season itself and what we will see on the world around is along with input as to what this season means within the Church. Any parents with questions regarding attendance at assemblies with religious input are encouraged to come and speak with the Head Teacher.

I wish all our pupils and their families a lovely, restful Spring break. I also want to thank all the parents for their continued support throughout the term and look forward to the Summer term and all that it brings.

### Dates to Remember

Spring Break school closed	03-17-Apr
School reopens	18-Apr
Holiday School closed	01-May
P7 Ardentiny Residential	02-05-May
P2 Assembly 9.10	12-May
Parent Council Meeting 7.30pm	23-May
Holiday School closed	25&29-May
In Service Days	25-May
P3/2 Trip	31-May
Sports Day 1	31-May
Sports Day 2	05-Jun
P4/3 Assembly 9.10am	09-Jun
P7 Leavers' Dance	22-Jun
Come as you please day	28-Jun
School closes 1pm	28-Jun

### P4/3 Trip

To finish off their Ancient Greece Topic Primary 4/3 visited the Glasgow Museum Resource Centre. The staff were really impressed with Matthew A and Rory who knew about myths and legends! They boys and girls learned a lot about Ancient Greek Soldiers, their armour and even got to try some on.

### P4 Trip



P4 visited Glasgow Museum's Resource Centre to learn about Ancient Egyptians. They were offered a trip to the Ancient Egyptian pod where, once they put on special gloves, they were allowed to handle some precious ancient artefacts. P4 also took part in a fun workshop that taught the children all about the mummification, as well as "weight of the heart" ceremony, which was the gateway to the afterlife in Ancient Egypt. Children enjoyed the trip as they were invited to participate in activities that were not only educational but also interesting and fun. Eva said "I loved it because it was very interesting". Archie said "I enjoyed the workshop because I have learned a lot". Sophie said "I thought it was a great adventure to learn about Ancient Egypt."



A reminder that the school will close at 2.30pm on Friday 31 March for the Spring Break. The school will re-open for pupils on Tuesday 18 April. We wish you all an enjoyable holiday!



### P2/1 Trip

P2/1 visited Kelvingrove for a magical Once Upon a Time Workshop. After dressing up, drama and storytelling activities based round the gallery's painting of Briar Rose, pupils had a good look round the armoury room and even discovered a secret spiral staircase leading to a tower. Abbie said she would like to go to school there every day!

### P1 Trip

P1 went to Glasgow Resource Centre to learn about magical creatures and characters in fairy tales. We touched a tooth from a Narwhale that looked like a unicorn horn and we tried on a knight's helmet and sword. John said "It was the best trip ever". Georgia said "It was so cool".

## PARENT COUNCIL

April already!

Are you or your friends interested in joining the Parent Council and taking it forward next session?

The current Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer will be standing down having completed their term at the end of this school year and a new team is needed.

Parent Council is vital for the school. It is a bridge between parents and the School Heads, it means we are not left in the dark and parents with any concerns are represented.

Parent Council is not all about fundraising, however without the efforts of the parent council our children would have to go without countless experiences including school trips, Christmas parties, discos and new playground features like the trim trails. Please consider joining and taking the Parent Council forward. You would not be thrown in at the deep end, there would be lots of help available to whomever takes on the various positions. It's time for a change...

Appointments will be made at the AGM scheduled for the 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 7.30 in the staffroom.

Any questions, please call me on 07796268830 or email

[kpparentcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:kpparentcouncil@gmail.com)

Kindest regards,  
Karen Hamilton

## HEADLICE

A reminder that headlice is a common problem in primary school and the only way to battle the bug is to regularly check your child's hair.

## TEXT MESSAGES

Please ensure the school office has a note of your up to date mobile phone number. Please also note that all text messages from the school will be preceded by KP.

## Traffic

Parents are reminded that it is their responsibility to ensure they park safely when picking up/dropping off children at the school. We hope everyone will also continue to support the use of our informal crossings.

## P7R Morgan Spence

Morgan Spence, the Lego animating extraordinaire, kindly came into our class to show us how to make our own Lego animation/movie. "It was good fun and very generous of him to come into our class." said Rowan from Primary 7R. "We really enjoyed the task and learned how light can affect the movie and that you need to take around 15 shots per second. He showed us how to use the ghost feature to help keep the image still. Everyone got to make their own movie".



## Safe Kids

Primary 6 had a great experience at St Mirren Stadium for Safe Kids. We learned about different types of safety and participated in workshops involving: CCTV cameras, drug safety, internet safety, CPR, fire safety, looking after the community and much more.

Each workshop was engaging and active and the children thoroughly enjoyed their day.



## COMIC RELIEF

**Pupil Council Red Nose Day** This year we raised a grand total of £490.60 in total for Red Nose Day!

## Mobile Phones

It is vitally important that we ensure the safety of all children whilst at school. For this reason we ask that if mobile phones are brought to school by pupils they should be switched off at the school gates and remain switched off and in their bags. Any breach of safety will be dealt with accordingly.

E-mail

Any parent wishing to receive our newsletter by email should contact the school office or by e-mailing—  
selenium.edmiston  
[@renfrewshire.gcsx.gov.uk](mailto:@renfrewshire.gcsx.gov.uk)

## P7 Rotary Quiz

The Rotary Club held their annual School's Quiz at Howwood Primary last week. This involved schools from the cluster sending a team of P7s to represent each school and answer questions on a range of topics including The World Around Them, history and French. It was a tightly fought contest and the scores were close. Kilbarchan came 3<sup>rd</sup> but were only 6 points off the tie winners, Fordbank and Howwood. It then went to a tiebreak, which was a tie and then a send tiebreak, tense times! In the end, Howwood won! I was proud of the way our pupils represented the school, they were polite and well mannered throughout and showed good team spirit, even in defeat!