# SCHOOL BULLETIN KILBARCHAN PRIMARY



The very best!

We are coming to the end of another amazing year here at Kilbarchan Primary School and I am so proud of what the children have achieved! It is with great pride that we see our school continue to grow, welcoming new families into our community and building new partnerships with organisations across the authority and beyond.

On my many learning walks around the school I have been proud to see a real increase in pupil voice, with children making decisions about their learning and becoming involved in a range of activities that improve the school and the lives of people around the world. Our charity work this year has raised awareness of key issues along with a considerable amount of money. The pupils are beginning to understand that they have an important voice in the world and can bring about change when working as part of a team.

This month we welcomed our new Primary 1 pupils into the school, giving the boys and girls a chance to meet their new teachers, explore the class bases further and make new

friendships. The format this year included an information session followed by a chance to hear from pupils across the school, to look at resources and to try the school lunches. This new approach was a resounding success and the feedback obtained was overwhelmingly positive. I must say a huge thank you to all members of staff who contributed to the event but more

importantly to the families of our new pupils who made it such an enjoyable experience. Unfortunately this time of year also brings some sadness as we say goodbye to our current Primary 7 pupils. The boys and girls have worked so hard this year, both in class and beyond. I am sure you are all looking forward to our End of Term Service on Friday which will allow us to celebrate their achievements and mark the end of an era. I have really enjoyed working with them all and know that they are ready to take on the challenge of secondary school, the next chapter awaits!

It is also a time to say congratulations and goodbye to Miss Jones who recently secured a two year secondment with the local authority as a Numeracy Modelling and Coaching Officer. Her appointment is in recognition of the high quality learning and teaching approaches she has employed over the last few years and we are all so proud of her hard work and dedication. Miss Jones will now be working with schools across Renfrewshire, bringing her insight and professionalism in order to raise attainment in maths. Well done Miss Jones!

> Fiona MacKenzie Head Teacher

### P1a Trip to Riverside

We had a great trip finding out about People Who Help Us. "I loved the old pictures of the ambulance from the olden days." Lucy, P1a "I Liked dressing up as a policeman." Alistair, P1a

"I Like seeing the fire engine and holding the fire hose." Alistair, P1a " I liked seeing the fire engine and holding the fire hose." Brody, Ethan & Kade P1a We all dressed up in a costume and found out what we should do in an emergency.

### Primary 3/2

Primary 3/2 are learning all about Kilbarchan. To learn all about the services offered within Kilbarchan, we enjoyed a trip around some of Kilbarchan's shops and businesses. We are currently learning all about Lilia's Day and are supporting the Parent Council by taking charge of organising the whole school's artwork for this tear's Lilia's Day float.

### P7s Ardentinny Residential Trip

P7 went to Adrentinny Outdoor Centre. They had an opportunity to try a variety of outdoor activities including team challenges, canoeing, archery, rock hop, hillwalking, gorge walking and orienteering. Everyone had a fantastic time and it was a chance to try new things and have new experience.

"I enjoyed canoeing. We got to play games while canoeing." Ryan, P7

"I liked the Gorge walk. I was fun but scary going through the tunnel and up the waterfall." Abigail, P7

# Dates to Remember

June 18

20-Jun
22-Jun
27-Jun

# Code Club

I think Code Club is really good because you can create games. I love using characters and backgrounds. I love how the sprites are able to talk to you. Also you get lots of coding buttons and it's a bit like problem solving. Garbriella P6/5 If you're interested in code then this is a good experience you can learn how to code. Matthew P5

# End of Term Service

This year our end of term service will be held in Kilbarchan Parish Church on Friday 22<sup>th</sup> June at 13.30 until 14.30. The pupils will walk from the school to the church just after lunch and will return to school once the service is over. All parents are cordially invited to attend this celebration of the pupils' time at Kilbarchan Primary School. Should you have any questions regarding the service, please do not hesitate to contact the school.



The school will close on Wednesday 27 June at 1pm. There will be no school dinners on this day, however if your child receives a free school meal, sandwiches will be available. We will re-open for pupils on Wednesday 15 August.. We wish you 'Happy Holidays' and look forward to seeing you in August!

### P7 Leavers Dance Wednesday 20 June 2018

Kilbarchan Pipe Band will lead the pupils from The Steeple at 6.30pm and on to the school.

Parents are welcome to come and join the pupils at 8.50pm for the last dance. And a great night will be had by all!

### PARENT COUNCIL

It's been a busy month for the Parent Council! Our Lilias Day Float helpers have been working really hard over the past few weeks and done an amazing job with the float, it looked fantastic and all the children looked amazing and had great fun! We are already talking about next year's theme! The Tombola stall raised a fantastic £314 from all the donations that were handed in to the school and our lucky winner for the donation draw was Aaron McShane, well done!! A huge thank you to all our Tombola & Float helpers, we had great fun on the stall and due to the number of volunteers we all got a chance to enjoy the park activities as well.

Our after Sports Day Family Fun Event was a lovely day and all the children had great fun. It's a challenging event to cater for as we are never sure of the numbers or how the weather will be and this year was amazing all round, to the extent we ran out of everything raising a fantastic £192 for the school funds.

Lastly, the Parent Council this year are making a donation towards some new decorations for the Primary 7 Leaver Dance on the 20<sup>th</sup> of June for the P7 parents to decorate the hall. We hope they all have a fantastic night and we wish them all the very best for their journey through high school.

> We hope you all have a wonderful summer holiday! Seona Hart Parent Council Chair

### Primary 1 Buddies

Primary 6 pupils are in training for being a "First Friend". Most of us have already met and spent some time with.

# What you have to do to be a buddy

First you need to introduce yourself to them, then you need to show them around and then you need to take good care of them when they go into school. Sophie Shepherd P6/5

### **Dance Show**

Primary 7 went to Johnstone Town Hall to watch a dance show that was put together by pupils of Thorn Primary and Auchenlodment Primary. They also got the opportunity to look at the winning routine of the pupils of Johnstone High who won a Renfrewshire Dance Competition. There were also performances for college and university students who were studying dance.

" I enjoyed seeing different levels of dance." Amy, P7

### P 6/5 Riverbrae School

We went to Riverbrae School and it was massive, they are really lucky. We had to play in the classroom because you know it's Scotland not Spain! It was really fun and we met Mr McAleer. Yeh!

# Childs Name : \_\_\_\_\_

### Athletics Championships

Well done to our P6 & P7 pupils who took part in the Athletics Championships. Kilbarchan secured an amazing 7<sup>th</sup> place out of 20 school.

Here are some of our achievements from the event.

### Track Events

- 150m Boys Race: 2<sup>nd</sup> place secured by Euan
- 150m Girls Race -3<sup>rd</sup> place secured by Katie
- 3 minutes Race 4<sup>th</sup> place secured by Lennon
- 2 x 200m Girls Race 1<sup>st</sup> place secured by Alix and Ava
- 2 x 200m Boys Race 4<sup>th</sup> place secured by Luke and Logan
- 60m Sprint 3<sup>rd</sup> place secured by Amy and 4th place by Ebony
- Elimination Race 4<sup>th</sup> place secured by

### Field Events

- Speed Bounce 105 jumps
  achieved by Ellie
- Javelin 6.6m achieved by Ava and 10.5m achieved by Brandon
- Overhead Throw 6.5cm achieved by Euan
- Shotput 8.9m achieved by Murray

Long Jump – 163cm achieved by Nina

### Sports Day

P1-3 enjoyed their time competing in the obstacle, egg and spoon and running races Sports Day. Here is what the pupil thought...

"I liked the obstacle race because it was good fun! The jump at the start was quite tricky." Alistair (P1)

I didn't drop my egg once! I was proud of my achievement and enjoyed the obstacle race." Hayden (P2)

"I loved the egg and spoon race. I tried to balance the egg on the spoon and won 1st place! I was proud of myself." Nicol (P3)

P4-7 children took part in a variety of activities with a focus on team participation and sportsmanship. The teams scored very well in the Potted Sports Activities and the final scores were very close...

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Team 9 with 1130 points 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Team 11 with 1059 points 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Team 10 with 1045 points

We ended the afternoon with class running races that are always a favourite!

#### Pupil's thoughts...

"Sports Day was good fun. My favourite station was Skipathon. I managed over 100 jumps"! Keir (P4)

"I liked taking part in the running race and the hockey dribble. I know I am good at these sports but next time I would like there to be more races." Esther (P5)

"The beanbag throw was good because I got to compete against my friend." Declan (P6) "Sports Day was good fun but very hot! I would like there to be more winners at each station." Jack (P6)

"I liked that Sports Day wasn't as competitive this year because this can make people nervous or upset people if they don't win. I enjoyed taking part in the skipathon and the hurdles. Georgia (P7) "I like that sports day was different this year and that we got to work with other people as a team. Our team won lots of points at the agility run for sportsmanship, listening and encouraging each other." Katie (P7)

"I liked the running race because I won!" Kruze (P7)

Well done to all children for their participation and effort on such a hot day! Thank you to our Active Schools Team for their support and to parent/carers for supporting our Sports Day.

Class

Achievements: