# SCHOOL BULLETIN KILBARCHAN PRIMARY MARCH 2019



It seems hard to believe that we are almost at the end of another school term! The children (and staff!) have worked incredibly hard and I know they are looking forward to the upcoming Spring holidays.

On behalf of Mrs Kerr and I, I would like to say a huge thank you for the warm welcome that we have received at Kilbarchan Primary School. Staff, pupils and parents have made us feel extremely welcome and we have enjoyed having the opportunity to meet with you, particularly at our recent Parents' Nights.

A number of changes have taken place in school staffing recently and I'd like to take this opportunity to provide an update. Mrs Robb will be returning to school on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March. She has been sorely missed and I know pupils and staff alike will be pleased to have her back. Mrs Caron Kerr will return to her post as DHT at Ralston Primary School following the Spring break. Mrs MacIntyre and Miss O'Connor have joined us as Additional Support Needs assistants on a temporary basis to provide support to specific pupils. Miss Melville has joined us on a full time basis and will now be responsible for our P2b class on Thursdays and Fridays. We are also pleased to welcome Miss Mushett who is responsible for pupils in our P7 class on alternate Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays each week.

I am also delighted to share with you that following recent interview, Mrs Ralston has been appointed to the post of acting Principal Teacher and will begin her post with immediate effect. Mrs Ralston will still be the main class teacher for our P3 class.

On behalf of all of the staff at Kilbarchan Primary School, I'd like to wish you all a lovely Spring break.

Miss Julie Paterson Acting Head Teacher



## School Fundraising 50/50

We are holding a 50/50 prize draw in aid of school funds. Should you wish to play, please write your name and telephone number on one (or more!) of the attached envelopes (or any envelope) and enclose £1 in each envelope you use. Unused envelopes can be returned to the school or additional envelopes can be requested. This draw is open to families and friends of Kilbarchan Primary. The winner receives 50% of the total jackpot with the remaining 50% going to school funds.

We are also raffling an Easter hamper for pupils. Tickets cost 50p each. Winners of the 50/50 and Easter hamper will be drawn on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March.

## End of Term Treat

Our pupils have worked extremely hard this term, particularly to prepare for our Spring Concerts. To celebrate their efforts, we will be having an end of term treat on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March. The children voted on two options - a daytime disco or a movie with popcorn. A movie with popcorn was the clear winner! If you would prefer that your child does not have popcorn or has any updated allergy information, please contact the school office before Thursday.

#### **Parent Pay**

Parent Pay goes live on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April. Please remember to activate your online account before this date.

#### **Dates to Remember**

Spring Concert 1.30pm	26-Mar
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Spring Break	29 Mar -12 Apr
School reopens	15-Apr
Easter Weekend	19 Apr – 22 Apr
School reopens	23-Apr
May Day Holiday	06-May
In-service Day	07-May
Visit from 'I am Me'	13-May
May Weekend Holiday	24-27-May
P7 Transition Days	12, 13 &14-Jun
School closes 1pm	28-Jun



A reminder that the school closes at 2.30pm on Friday 29 March. The school will re-open for pupils on Monday 15 April.

### **Toys and Games**

While we know that children enjoy bringing toys to school to share with friends, this can cause upset if these are lost or broken. We would ask for your support in ensuring that your child does not bring toys to school. Thank you.

#### **Toy and Book Swap**

Thank you to Green Guardians, Mrs Smith and our Eco Committee for organising our recent toy and book swap. 248 items were recycled including 40kg of books and 20kg of toys!

#### Some Exciting News!...

While the open plan design of our school provides many positive learning opportunities for our pupils, at times, a safe, comfortable, cosy space where children can speak to adults and peers in a more private, quieter setting is much needed. As such, we have started work to convert our little-used medical room in to a nurture room. This room will be accessible to <u>all</u> pupils and will provide a range of opportunities to develop our children's social, emotional and behavioural skills. To ensure shared ownership, we will be asking staff, pupils and parents to help us name our new nurture space. Should you wish to share your opinion with us, please circle which of the suggestions from staff and pupils listed below you would like to vote for and return this slip to the school office by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March.