

SCHOOL BULLETIN

KILBARCHAN PRIMARY

NOV 18



Dates to Remember

St Andrew's Day Holiday	30-Nov
Nativity 1.30pm	11&12 Dec
School closes 2.30pm	21-Dec
School reopens	07-Jan
Baldy Bane Panto	07-Jan
P1 Registration	16/17 Jan
Be a Pupil Night 6.30pm-7.30pm	29-Jan
P2a Trip to Kelvingrove	31-Jan
P2b Trip to Kelvingrove	04-Feb
Holiday School closed	11&12-Feb
In Service Day	13-Feb
Parents evenings	12&13-Mar
Spring Concert	26&27 Mar
Spring Break school closed	01-12-Apr
Holiday School closed	19 - 22-Apr
May Day Holiday	06-May
In Service Days	07-May
Holiday School closed	24&27-May
Sports Day 1	04-Jun
Sports Day 2	06-Jun
School closes 1pm	28-Jun

I want to begin by thanking our wonderful Parent Council for organising such a fantastic Hallowe'en Disco! It was such a fun night and I know from the feedback received, that our families really appreciated all your efforts. We are so lucky to have such a strong team of parents and carers who support our school, thank you one and all!

We have been collating your responses to the Parents' Night Questionnaires and I have been blown away by the number of positive responses and comments regarding the experience your child receives at Kilbarchan Primary School. 90% of responses showed that their child was learning well, that the school was well led and that overall, they felt happy with the school. 95% of you felt that your child enjoys learning at school, whilst 94% said their child felt safe here. The whole team within the school feel immensely proud of these results and thank you for your continued support.

We are always looking for ways to improve and so it is important that we take into account any suggestions that are made. We have read over all comments and will be working hard to rectify any issues raised. Remember to check our 'You Said, We Did' wall to see the ways in which the school takes your views into account.

As we move into Term 2, I want to remind you that our Sharing the Learning Reports will be coming out. Over the course of the term, pupils and staff will be working hard to collate examples of pupil work that show the progress they are making. The children love selecting their work and writing about their strengths and next steps. We are so proud to see our independent learners in action!

Kindest regards
Fiona MacKenzie
Head Teacher



Well...what a week P7 had on their residential trip. They participated in Rock Hopping, Rock Climbing, Abseiling, George Walking, Canoeing, Trail Cycling – there was lots to enjoy and even the rain didn't stop us having fun! During all activities we worked together to solve problems and overcome challenges as a team. We encouraged and supported each other during new activities, or those activities that were a little tougher than we first thought they would be. Well done to all the boys and girls for completing their residential trip. We are very proud of you all!

"I really enjoyed canoeing and found out that I was actually really good at it." (Declan)

"I liked spending time with my friends. The beds were really comfy and the food was very healthy! It was amazing – I would love to go back." (Dylan)

"I enjoyed the challenge of canoeing because we had to work together to help move the canoe. It was good fun!" (Brooke)

"I enjoyed the gorge walk even though it was freezing! I also really enjoyed the fish and chips!" (Kayla)

New Kidscape

We have a new space in school! The area known as "The Zone" is now called "Kidscape". Mrs Ralston is currently working with some pupils to change the whole look and purpose of this space. It will soon be used for Health and Wellbeing lessons for whole classes and groups of pupils.

Exciting times ahead!

P1 Library Bus

Last week the Skoobmobile visited P1 they read a funny story about a robot called One Button Benny. "I liked pressing the button on Benny," said Ella. "I like the robot," said Kayden.

"I liked when the robot flew," said Tiana.

"I liked being on the bus," said Gregor. "And I liked when the aliens bottoms went red."

Rag Bag

Thank you once again for taking part in the "Rag Bag" textile recycling scheme.



PARENT COUNCIL

The Halloween Disco feedback has been positive and the children all looked amazing in their costumes and appeared to have great fun. Thank you to all the helpers on the night, without which we could not make an event like that possible. A huge thank you also to Joanne McIvor for arranging the play stations and Claire & George Brown for the fabulous air blown decorations, which looked amazing!

The Parent Council have busy few weeks ahead, leading up to the Christmas Fair and all the hard work of all involved is very much appreciated. We have placed a box in the school reception area to collect raffle & tombola donations and will collect this at the end of November, all donations greatly appreciated.

The children are currently working on their artwork this year for Tea Towel, Mugs & Tote Bags, which they should be bringing home shortly in order to place orders. We are slightly later this year with this project and therefore kindly request all orders to be in the school office by **Friday the 30th of November** at the very latest. **Any orders received after this date will not be processed, therefore to avoid disappointment please ensure orders are returned by this date.**

We look forward to seeing you all at our Christmas Fair on the 9th of December!

Seona Hart
Parent Council Chair

Ear Piercing at PE

We would like to remind all parents, carers and pupils that ear piercings should be removed for PE. Any child unable to do so must bring tape or plasters with them to school and be able to cover their ears independently.



KILBARCHAN PRIMARY SCHOOL

You collected 89.29 kg of food which will provide 213 meals for people in crisis in Renfrewshire.

Renfrewshire foodbank is part of the Trussell Trust's UK wide foodbank network.



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We celebrated Scottish Book Week between Monday 19th November and Friday 23rd November. During this time pupils took part in a whole school 'Drop and Read', Paired Reading and class challenges. Pupils received their Read, Write, Count Books during this week and we would like to thank parents for attending our "book blether" session. Primary 6 and 7 had an author visit on Wednesday 22nd. Vitoria Williamson visited each class and introduced her book *The Fox Girl and the White Gazelle*. All classes completed a reading challenge and tasks to celebrate an enjoyment for reading.

WEATHERWATCH

Please note, should there be any uncertainty about the school opening/closing due to adverse weather conditions, parents can access up to date information through the Weather Watch icon on the school website main page.

News is also available from Renfrewshire Council's website www.renfrewshire.gov.uk or by calling **0300 300 0300**. Please ensure mobile numbers are also up to date as we will text parents should an early closure be required. May I also remind parents that we encourage pupils to go out to play as much as possible and they should therefore dress appropriately for the weather conditions.

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www.kilbarchan.renfrewshire.sc.h.uk

Don't forget our website and Twitter has photos of what's happening in each classroom, tutorials on how to support your child at home and a calendar of events.



Email

Any parent wishing to receive our newsletter by email should contact the school office or by emailing—
selena.edmiston@renfrewshire.gov.uk

Childs Name : _____ Class _____

Achievements: