

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### February

Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	HOLIDAY
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	HOLIDAY
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	IN-SERVICE DAY
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Pupils return to school
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Uniform Shop for parents (details to follow)
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Home-link jotters sent home for signing
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	P1 & P7 dental inspections
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Authority Visit
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Circus performer in for P2.

### March

Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Council Meeting (6.15pm).
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Home-link jotters sent home for signing
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Open Afternoon for all parents (details to follow)
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Pupil reports sent home today
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Teacher/Parent Meetings (details to follows)
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Non Uniform Day 11am Easter Service (pupils only) SCHOOL CLOSES AT 2.30PM.

### April

Monday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Pupils return to school.
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If you want clarification or wish to discuss the contents of this newsletter please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours sincerely  
*Graeme Maclean*

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Head Teacher



Comments/Suggestions:

Name:.....

Child's Name..... Class.....

# Langcraigs Primary

## Newsletter February 2019



# News

Dear Parent/Guardian,

It seems a long time ago now but I hope that you all had a great Christmas and I wish you all well for the coming year ahead.

### High Standards

- Excellent
- Good
- Satisfactory
- Poor

As you will be aware, everyone at Langcraigs is continually striving to make our pupils the best young people they can possibly be. We work hard to maintain high standards throughout the school and our success in achieving these standards is helped considerably by your support. Therefore, I would like to thank you and ask you to continue to support the school by ensuring that your child:

- attends school every day and is on time;
- wears the correct school uniform;
- completes their homework which is then signed;
- shows you their home-link jotter which is then signed;
- brings their P.E. kit on the appropriate day.

By working together, we really can make a difference.

### School Fayre



Although several weeks ago now, I just wanted to say thanks to everyone who supported our Christmas Fayre. Your efforts helped us to raise £3,000 for our school funds, which I think is an amazing effort. We will continue to re-invest the money into implementing our vision of 'providing our pupils with a wide range of experiences' which will include the funding of visiting groups, resources and our health week activities.

### Authority Visit

Our Education Manager, Mrs Julie Colquhoun, will be spending a full day at Langcraigs on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February. During that day she will visit several classes and speak to pupils and staff to gauge how good learning and teaching is throughout the school. I will inform you how the visit went.

### Modern Languages



The Scottish Government has stipulated that all primary schools require to teach two modern foreign languages - one foreign language throughout the whole school and a second language from P5-P7. In Langcraigs, French is taught in P1 - P7 and German is also taught from P5-P7. Many of our teachers are able to teach French and we are now fortunate to have secured the expertise of a German student from Gleniffer High School to support the implementation of German in the upper school. This support may only last this term but the feedback from staff and pupils has been really positive so far. Perhaps you could ask your child what they have learned so far.

## Depute Head Boy Report



Hello, my name is Lucas Pattison and I am delighted to be the Depute Head Boy of Langcraigs Primary School. I am excited to take on this challenge and am enjoying the opportunities and responsibilities of this role.

It was such an honour to welcome the parents of the new Primary 1s for next year, and as I spoke to them to share my positive experiences of the school, I felt proud to be a Langcraigs pupil.

It is such a privilege to have been selected as the Depute Head Boy and I am looking forward to working together with the other Head Pupils to make a difference to our school.

### Pupil Council News



The Pupil Council is made up of one pupil from each P3-P6 class, and two pupils from each P7 class. We meet around once per month with Mrs Hill and Mrs Smith to discuss and put forward our classmates and teachers ideas to make the school the best it can be. We have recently obtained soap dispensers and air fresheners for the toilets and this term are hoping to make some improvements to the playground.

This session the Pupil Council have chosen CHAS (Children's Hospices Across Scotland) as the charity we would like to support. Our goal is to raise £500 for this brilliant charity, which Renfrewshire Council will then double to £1000. So far we have raised £450 in school. To achieve this we have organised fundraising events including the Halloween Spooktacular and Christmas raffle. We hope that one more event before Easter will get us to our target ..... watch this space for details.

Report by Scott Carlyle; Jessica Cree, James Robertson and Rachael Thomson

### Mindfulness Training



During Term 2, our P6A and P6B classes will be participating in a series of Mindfulness workshops which are designed to develop mental resilience and a growth mindset. In Term 3, P4/5 and P5 pupils will also take part. We have used some of our Pupil Equity Money (PEM) to commission a Mindfulness Coach to deliver these workshops. I am sure this will be of real benefit to our pupils and I look forward to seeing the work which will be undertaken and hearing the children's feedback.

## Citizenship Winners



Congratulations to the following pupils for 'Playing Sensibly' during the month of November:

P1A Alfie Harper

P1B Lola McGregor

P2 Ayla Gough

P2/3 Amelia McMeekin

P3 Max Stevenson

P4 Lily Barr

P4/5 Brooke Wilson

P5 Mia Painter

P6A Grace McGregor

P6B Ashleigh McGlenn

P7A Kerry Hughes

P7B James Kelly

Congratulations to the following pupils for 'Respecting Others' during the month of December:

P1A Nathan Craig

P1B Carly Murphy

P2 Ellis Adams

P2/3 Amelia McMeekin

P3 Aimee Dunn

P4 Ethan Pattison

P4/5 Dannii McQueen

P5 Rudi Tallachia

P6A Leah Ardern

P6B Cara Johnston

P7A Darren Cooney

P7B Kwame Amofah

## Bronze Stars



As a reward for regular attendance at our active schools clubs last term, many of our pupils have been given a bronze star, which they are now proudly wearing on their tops. At the end of this term, we will be awarding silver stars and gold stars at the end of term 3. I know that the boys and girls are keen to complete the full set, so please encourage them to attend every week as, apart from being fun, the clubs help keep our pupils fit and healthy.

