

**Langcraigs Primary School**  
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Dear Parent/Carer,



## **NEWSLETTER – MAY 2022**

### **Our School Vision**

*"To provide all our pupils with a range of experiences which will equip them with the skills and knowledge required to meet the challenges they will face throughout their lives."*

### **Pupil Activities**

As we enter the final couple of months of what has been another very busy session, it is great for me to once again be approving so many activities and trips for the children as you will see from the 'Dates for the Diary' section of this newsletter – and there are still some more to be approved! These experiences are so important in providing our pupils with increased knowledge and skills, not to mention lifelong memories which they will discuss with their families and friends for years to come. It is very much part of our school vision above and to achieve this aim, we are using, and have used over the last few years, our Pupil Equity Fund (PEF) to ensure that all our pupils can benefit from these experiences at no cost to parents.

This may be the last school session where we can fully fund everything without any parental contributions. However, please be assured that if we are unable to fund any activity outright, we will always do our best to subsidise the overall cost and we will continue to strive to provide all our pupils with as wide a range of learning experiences as possible.

### **Parents' Views**

In the next couple of weeks you will receive a short survey asking for your views on the likes of PEF, strengths of the school and areas for improvement. As I begin to write the school improvement plan for next session, it is important that your views and opinions are taken into consideration and I would be grateful if you would take a few minutes to complete and return.

### **Teacher/Parent Phone Calls**

You should have received a telephone appointment letter by now and the teachers will organise their appointment schedules in accordance with your requests as best they can. Teachers cannot specify an exact time for their call but they will do their best to contact you within the time slot you have chosen. Therefore, it is important that you keep your phone on during this period and please be reminded that the call is likely to register as an unknown call/private number. Calls are intended to last five minutes and if you would like additional time to discuss progress then alternative arrangements can be made.

### **Football**

Our team competed in a second football festival at Gleniffer High School on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April. They played seven games and managed to win three, draw two and lose two, which was a fantastic effort. Apart from some great play, what was most pleasing was the attitude of every player – they all encouraged each other, tried their best at all times and were

sporting and respectful towards players of other teams. Well done and we look forward to the next festival on 11<sup>th</sup> May.



### **UNCRC Report**

*We are the Primary 7 UNCRC (United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child) working party, also known as Naomi Bertram, Dannii McQueen and Jemma Butler. This is a message to inform you that the UNCRC is being introduced to all pupils and staff at Langcraigs Primary.*

*What is the UNCRC you ask? Well, it's a child rights group organised by UNICEF, to make sure all children and young people understand their rights. One hundred years ago, Save the Children's founder, Eglantyne Jebb, had a vision: to achieve and protect the rights of children worldwide. She was driven by the belief that all children – whoever they are, wherever they are – have the right to a healthy, happy, fulfilling life. Her vision continues to guide us.*

*Some other rights include: article 3- "interests should be thought of as the same as adults", and article 6 "all the children have the right to survive and develop". These articles show us that children have the right to live and be happy.*

*So far, Primary 7 have created some UNCRC posters for each class and presented presentations to each class about UNCRC. Also, at the start of the year, pupils made their very own posters, and their teachers had a lesson about it as well, so that all our pupils are educated on UNCRC.*

*We have introduced it to pupils to make sure everyone feels safe within the school.*

*Thank you for reading.  
Naomi, Dannii and Jemma*

### **Parent Council**

The next meeting of the Parent Council is scheduled for **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May at 6.00pm**, which will again be through Zoom. If you would like to join us, please contact our chairperson, Mrs Jacqueline Gold on [langcraigs@renfrewshire.npfs.org.uk](mailto:langcraigs@renfrewshire.npfs.org.uk)

### **Allergies**

As some of our pupils have nut allergies, I would be very grateful if you would not send your child to school with any foods containing nuts. As far as possible, school kitchens try to ensure that all pupils who have a medical diet are catered for and it is also helpful if they are also supported by the school community. Thank you.

## **Paisley 10k Run / Fun Run**

**Active Schools have asked us to raise awareness of the following event:**

*This year's OneRen Paisley 10K Road Race with Fun Run will take place on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2022. The 10K Road Race is suitable for runners of all levels from novices to experienced club and international runners. **For families, friends and youngsters, there is the shorter Fun Run that takes in some of Paisley Town Centre's most famous landmarks. Please click on the link for further details.***

<https://www.oneren.org/paisley-10k/>

### **Citizenship Winners**

I am pleased to inform you that the following pupils will receive a special Langcraigs certificate from me for displaying 'Truth and Honesty' throughout the month of April:

**P1A Esme Griffiths**

**P1B Ruben Sweeney**

**P2 Cali Millar**

**P2/3 Callum Godfrey**

**P3 Cassia Rainnie**

**P4 Coral Taylor**

**P4/5 Ruby Millar**

**P5 Reid Hughes**

**P6 Aimee Dunn**

**P6/7 Riley Green**

**P7 Caleb McGregor**

### **Dates for the Diary**

#### **MAY**

Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	HOLIDAY
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	STAFF IN-SERVICE DAY (pupils do not attend)
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Council Meeting 6pm (online)
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	P7 transition day at Gleniffer HS
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	P7 transition day at Gleniffer HS
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	P6 Swimming lessons at Lagoon P1A&P1B to Sea Life Centre at Loch Lomond Shores
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Last day for Active schools' clubs
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	P2, P2/3 & P3 to Dynamic Earth in Edinburgh P6 Swimming lessons at Lagoon
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Health Week (incl sports day) begins - information to follow Active schools' clubs begin again
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup>	P6 Swimming lessons at Lagoon
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>	HOLIDAY
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup>	P4-P7 Home-link jotters sent home today

#### **JUNE**

Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	P6 to the Science Centre
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	HOLIDAY
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	HOLIDAY
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>	P6 to Dynamic Earth in Edinburgh P7s to Loch Lomond
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	P2, P2/3 & P3 to Blair Drummond Safari Park
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	P7s to Robert Burns' Museum P2/3 to the Science Centre
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	P7s to Renfrew for activity day
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	P4 to Glasgow Caledonian University
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>	P7s to Volleyball Festival at Gleniffer HS
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	P7s Dance (6.30pm-8pm)
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 1.00PM

Yours sincerely

*Graeme Maclean*

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Head Teacher

**If you want clarification, wish to discuss the contents of this newsletter or have any ideas/suggestions, then please do not hesitate to contact the school or send me a message to: [langcraigsenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk](mailto:langcraigsenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk)**