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Dear Parent/Carer,

## NEWSLETTER - DECEMBER 2022

### Bikeability Scotland's 'School of the Year'

I am very proud to inform you that we have been presented with the above national award which recognises our efforts in delivering cycling proficiency training to our P6 and P7 pupils this term. Well done to Mrs Hill, Miss Fender, Mrs Mullen and Mrs Murphy for all their efforts. Special thanks to our parent, Mr McEwan, for giving up his time to provide valuable support in our training programme. Our P6 and P7 pupils have gained valuable life skills and their commitment and effort, even when the weather was really poor, has really paid off and it is really rewarding that everyone's hard work has been recognised in this way. Not only is it great recognition for the school but also for the Authority too. Well done Langcraigs!!

**Cycling  
Scotland**



### Head Pupil Report

Hello, my name is Ethan McCafferty and I am very proud to have been appointed as Head Boy of Langcraigs this year. It is amazing to be given this privilege and I hope that I can do a great job. I wish to set a good example to other pupils and to uphold the school values. I enjoy wearing my head boy tie and blazer and it was great to welcome parents into the school during parents' night. I also am looking forward to working with Mr Maclean and fellow Head Pupils to find ways of helping the school and its pupils.

### **Football Team**

Congratulations to all the players who represented the school on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November at Castlehead High School. They acquitted themselves really well and the Active Schools' coach commented on, not only how well they played but also on their sportsmanship and behaviour. Well done and we look forward to our next tournament in February.



### **Star Performance!**

One of our P6 pupils, Orlay McEnhill, is performing in the 'Nativity the Musical' which is taking place in the Theatre Royal from November 30<sup>th</sup> to December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Orlay has been rehearsing really hard in preparation for the show and the pupils, staff and I all wish her the very best for her performances. What an achievement to be performing at the Theatre Royal at the age of 10 years old!!

### **Mental Health Policy**

Mental health is a very important issue which has been brought even more to the forefront of our attention by lockdowns/Covid. It can affect anyone, at anytime and at Langcraigs we have various ways in which we try to support and help our pupils with their mental wellbeing. Our policy can be found on our school website in the 'Information' section, if you wish to view it.

### **Car Park**

Please continue to support the school in making the car park a safe zone for our pupils. Please park outside the gates at all times. By doing this you can help prevent a child from being seriously injured. Thank you for your continued support with this.

### ***You Decide - Authority Initiative***

*Renfrewshire Council are providing people with an opportunity to have their say as to how a proportion of the budget is spent. Residents are being asked for ideas for local infrastructure projects for our community empowerment campaign called #YouDecide - with £1.2million available to be spent by communities.*

So far, 2,800 ideas have been submitted and have been shortlisted into 115 feasible projects. Now they want schools to take part in the voting - that's teachers, school staff, pupils, parents and carers!

#### **How to vote**

Watch as our friends at Erskine Arts explain the voting process or read on if you prefer - [www.youtube.com/watch?v=5UabwjfgdoE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5UabwjfgdoE).

You can vote at [www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/YouDecide](https://www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/YouDecide).

Enter your post code to see the projects in your local area - you can use the school post code if a pupil doesn't know theirs. You can then drag and drop the projects to rank them 1, 2, 3 and so on until there's none left - with number 1 going at the top. The projects with the most votes will be funded until the £75,000 for each of the 16 areas is allocated. **Voting will close on 11 December 2022** with the works to complete the projects will begin in early 2023.

#### **Can't vote at the time?**

We recognise that not everyone has online access, so voting in-person is available at local libraries and roadshows are taking place at key locations in towns and villages across Renfrewshire during the voting period - you can see where at [www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/youdecide](https://www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/youdecide). If anyone requires support with voting, they can email [youdecide@renfrewshire.gov.uk](mailto:youdecide@renfrewshire.gov.uk) or call the team on 0300 300 0380.

#### **Citizenship Winners**

I am pleased to inform you that the following pupils will receive a special Langcraigs certificate from me for 'Playing Sensibly' during November:

*P1 Ruairidh McKay*

*P1/2 Alex Wood*

*P2 Carly McDougall*

*P3 Callum Godfrey*

*P3/4 Leah Lochhead*

*P4 David Gilmour*

*P5 Kimberley Gold*

*P5/6 Coral Taylor*

*P6 Robyn McGrory*

*P6/7 Joel Christie*

*P7 Ellie Longwill*

#### **Dates for the Diary**

##### **December**

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>

Christmas Fayre 1.15pm

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup>

Last day for after school active schools' clubs  
P6s to 'Bubble Gum & Fluff' event at St George's  
School Lunch

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup>

P1-P3 Nativity 10.00am & 1.30pm performances

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup>

Christmas Fun Day in school - details to follow

Monday 19<sup>th</sup>

'Beauty and the Beast' panto in school

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup>

P1 & P2 Christmas Party

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>

Non-uniform day

**SCHOOL CLOSSES 2.30PM**

## January

Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Pupils & Staff return to school
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Lockerbie payment of £28.25 due today
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Home Link jotters being used in P4-P7 classes today
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>	P5 & P5/6 Scottish Assembly - details to follow
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Council meeting 6.00pm

From everyone at Langcraigs Primary School, have a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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)