

Langcraigs Primary School  
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#### Our 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.

#### Our Values

**R** - Reach

**E** - Effort

**A** - Ambition

**C** - Caring

**H** - Honesty

#### Citizenship Theme

Truth & Honesty

## NEWSLETTER - APRIL 2024

### World Book Day

Thanks to all of the boys and girls who dressed up as their favourite book character - there really were some amazing outfits. The purpose of events such as this is to promote Reading throughout the school and it's great to see so many pupils reading for pleasure every day at Langcraigs! Thanks to Mrs Mullen and the Pupil Council for organising.



### Reading Adult

If you are a parent or a gran/grandpa who enjoys reading and is willing to give up a little time to read some stories to our pupils, then please contact the school, as we would be interested in hearing from you.

### Parents' Open Afternoon

Thank you to those of you who were able to attend our open afternoon. I hope that it gave you an opportunity to see around the school and have a chance to spend some time with your child(ren) and feel part of their learning journey. You were given a questionnaire to fill in and this helps us gauge your views on how well we are doing and areas we can improve upon - all designed to make the learning experience for our pupils (and yourselves) the best it can possibly be. Below are some comments which you made. Thank you once again and, as a staff, we will discuss your feedback and try to implement some of your suggestions, as best we can.

### Parents' Comments

#### Some things we do well

- My child has thrived this year at Langcraigs and I'm happy they attend this school.

- Having days like this where parents are invited to come along and see how well your child is doing.
- Good communication with parents.
- Constant flow of information e.g. newsletters.
- Problems are resolved sooner rather than later.
- Parents involved through See Saw.
- Care and compassion for the children and quality of teaching.
- Helping and supporting the pupils.
- The school is always very welcoming and understanding.

### Some things we could improve on

- Sharing information to separated parents as your system only allows one parent to receive news.
- More varied homework activities - less homework.
- More sports facilities.
- More opportunities to learn outdoors.
- Children should be going on more school trips.
- Would be helpful to provide information on one media.

### **Depute Head Pupil Report**



Hello, my name is Rory Fraser and I am the Depute Head Boy at Langcraigs. I am very proud to be in this privileged position and I am doing everything I can to be a positive role model to all my peers. I have enjoyed visiting the classes and speaking to all the other pupils in the school and letting them know that I am here to help and support them in any way I can. I have also enjoyed meeting and greeting parents at Class Assemblies, the recent Open Afternoon and at Wednesday's Parents' Night and I look forward to meeting you again at future events.

### **Citizenship Groups**

During April and May, we will be re-starting our citizenship groups. This involves sorting pupils from P1-P3 and P4-P7 into mixed groups and giving them an opportunity to work together on our United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) school project. These groups allow pupils to work with and learn from different children, while we work towards gaining our UNCRC Silver Award.



### **Parent Council**

Langcraigs Parent Council urgently needs new members!!

New members will allow Langcraigs Parent Council to continue providing a huge support to the school by financing vital activities and items. In the last year, the Parent Council have provided funding for P7 hoodies and high school ties, Christmas Panto and more. The Parent Council has always been very active in the past but key members have moved on and we have not been able to replace them. We have about 5 meetings a year that run for about 40 minutes max. Any volunteers will be warmly welcomed!

**Our next meeting is on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April @ 6.00pm.**

## No Dogs in the Playground

In the interests of safety for all our pupils, **please once again be reminded that dogs are not permitted within the school grounds at any time.** Even the most well-behaved dogs can behave out of character when surrounded by excited children. Although many of us are dog lovers, we must respect those pupils who are not and indeed become anxious when a dog is in their presence. Therefore, please respect this request and keep the school grounds a dog free zone.



## Pupil Absence

If your child is going to be absent from school, it is important that you contact the office before 9.30am. This will prevent you being contacted by text. Also, if your child is unwell in school and needs to be sent home, please give the office a ring the next day to let them know how your child is and when they are likely to return to school. If you are unable to phone the school, please provide the school with an update via email - [langcraigsenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk](mailto:langcraigsenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk)

## Donations of Playground Toys

If you have any toys which you no longer require and would be appropriate for our P1 & P2 pupils to play with in the playground during intervals and lunchtimes, we would be happy to take them off your hands, so feel free to hand them in to us!



## Citizenship Winners

I am pleased to inform you that the following pupils will receive a special Langcraigs certificate from me for 'Tolerance of Others' during March:

*P1 Robyn Burns*

*P1/2 Karter Maloney*

*P2 Ross Neilson*

*P3 Quinn Hughes*

*P3/4 Annie McGowan*

*P4 Bella Hyndman*

*P5 David Gilmour*

*P5/6 Ryan McMillan*

*P6 Cooper Blair*

*P6/7 Kara McNair*

*P7 Hannah Lafferty*

## Dates for the Diary

### April

Monday 15<sup>th</sup>

SCHOOL RE-OPENS

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup>

Parent Council Meeting 6.00pm

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>

P5-P7 using home-link jotters today

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup>

P7 Pupil & Parents' Information Evening at Gleniffer HS  
6.30pm

### May

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup>

STAFF IN-SERVICE DAY

Monday 6<sup>th</sup>

HOLIDAY

Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	P7 Transition Day at Gleniffer
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup>	P7 Transition Day at Gleniffer
	Langcraigs Transition Day for new P1 Pupils (1.30pm)
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>	P7 Transition Day at Gleniffer
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Health Week begins (details to follow)
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Sports Day 1.15pm
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Parents' Health Evening (5.00pm-6.30pm)
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Sponsored Walk P4-P7 (AM) / P1-P3 (PM)
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>	HOLIDAY
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup>	HOLIDAY

Happy Easter from everyone at Langcraigs Primary School.

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)