

## Rashielea Primary School Term 4 Newsletter

Learning for Today, Inspiring for Tomorrow  
**Responsibility, Honesty, Ambition, Respect,**



We hope you all had a happy, healthy and restful Spring break and are back with us all charged up for the weeks ahead. In this newsletter, we have information about all the things our school and pupils have been involved in over the past few months and a look forward to what will be happening this term.

### Parent Pay

In August 2019, we will be introducing a more convenient and secure way to pay for school meals, trips, school events and activities. We will no longer be accepting cash and cheque payments after summer break and will be making the school a cash-free environment. We will be giving more detailed information regarding Parent Pay at the parents' evenings in May and we will be arranging drop in sessions in preparation for the system going live in August, which will give parents/carer's opportunity sign up to the new scheme.

### New Telephone Number

Rashielea Primary will be transferring over to a new telephone service on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May**. Our new telephone from this date will be

**Tel No: 0300 300 0156**



### PTA Playground Improvements

Our Parents Teachers' Association are continuing their fundraising efforts for playground improvements and we are extremely grateful for the ongoing support they offer the school which is invaluable.

In support of this fundraising one of our parents, Mrs McNally, baked a stunning Easter cake which we raffled off and raised an incredible £150. We would like to say a massive thank you to her and to everyone who sent in raffle money.

### Term Three Winners!

Last terms winning house was Rannoch. As a reward, they were treated to a pyjama movie afternoon which was enjoyed by all. Primary 4 won the Smartie Tube challenge which was organised by the PTA. As a treat for raising the most money for the school, the PTA organised for the children to enjoy a play session at Pandemonium which was a fantastic and fun prize which delighted the children.

### Easter Performance

The "Tale of Three Trees" show and Easter Bonnet Parade presented by P1, P2/1, P4 & P5/4 to their families was a wonderful Spring celebration. The teaching staff and children did a fantastic job of putting on an inspiring and enchanting performance. Well done!



We would also like to thank the P1 & P2/1 parents who helped their children create imaginative and unique Easter Bonnet's for the parade. They were all fantastic!

### Sporting Success

Children across Primary 6 and 7 have competed in several Athletics and Cross-Country events over the last few months. They have greatly enjoyed these competitions and have achieved many successes. We are very proud of all the children involved and look forward to taking part in more competitions before the end of term. Our football team have also been hard at work training and playing in the local school football league. As well as having, a successful boys' team we now have a girl's football team who recently enjoyed their first victory against Barsail Primary. Congratulations to both teams and keep up the hard work!



### P7 Residential Trip

This year's residential trip to PGL Dalguise Adventure Centre in Perthshire was a massive success. It was a fun-packed, thrilling few days filled with lots of different activities, including abseiling, zip wire and orienteering. During their many adventures the children took part in events which helped develop the importance and value of working as part of a team as well as encouraging a sense of personal responsibility. The experience gave the children a huge sense of achievement by building confidence and self-esteem and trying some new activities for the first time.

We are in the process of booking the trip for next session and will shortly send out information regarding this to our current Primary 6 children.

### Active School Clubs

This session's Active School Clubs begin the week commencing 29<sup>th</sup> April running until Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June. There are many activities for the children to enjoy during and after school, including ballet, multisport, chess, cooking club and netball. You still have time to sign your child up. Please visit <https://r-rashielea.class4kids.co.uk/> to register and sign up. There is a strong link between physical education and successful academic achievement and we encourage you to take advantage of all the classes on offer. Let the fun begin!

### Disco

The termly school discos organised by our PTA are always thoroughly enjoyed by the pupils and the Summer Beach disco will take place on 17<sup>th</sup> May. The discos can only take place with parents/carers support. If you are available to help out, we would be extremely grateful if you could contact the school, as without your continued support it would not be possible for these events to take place.



### Parents' Evening/Report Cards

Parents' Evenings takes place on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May. Confirmation of your appointment will be sent out shortly. Report cards will be issued on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May prior to parents' Evening to give you an opportunity to discuss your child's progress in school with the class teacher. The book fayre will also be running so please bring some money along if you would like to purchase your child a book.

## Amazonia

Primary 4 and P5/4 have been learning all about the rainforest over the last term and as part of their topic they recently visited Amazonia to learn about some of the animals that live in the South American rainforest. They took a walk on the wild side participating in a mini beast's animal handling session where they had opportunity to handle snakes and lizards and other tropical animals. This trip gave pupils a real life understanding of animals found in the rainforest as well as learning about where rainforests are found, their climate and the seasons.

## Chess Club



We recently had a team of three P7's competing in the Dragon Chess League inter-school competition and they won their division. Big congratulations to Jennifer, Harrison and Liam who did themselves and the school proud.

## Grannies Tea Party

The Primary 1 and 2/1 tea party which took place in March was a great success and the grannies/friends who came along enjoyed a fun-filled afternoon which included; bingo, singing, dancing and shortbread made by our wonderful children, which went down a treat. We loved having all those who attended join us in the entertainment and thank you for continuing to celebrate the children's hard work and success in school.

## Detective Afternoon

As part of their Emergency Services topic, Primary 3 and P3/2 recently hosted a detective afternoon. Parents/carer's came along to join in all the investigative fun. It was an awesome afternoon, where the children could show all the interesting things they have been learning about as well as inviting the adults to take part in some cool and exciting activities with our budding detectives. It was a successful event and the children did a great job entertaining their guests. Well done to them and to the class teacher's Miss McCusker and Mrs Stark who organised the event.



## Upcoming Events



The Eco group run by Mrs Birch will be holding a **bake sale on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May** to raise money for Scottish Wildlife. If you would like your child to purchase a cake please send them in with some spare change.

On **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May** the children who auditioned for the **talent show** will have their moment in the spotlight when the talent show takes place. It's going to be a brilliant afternoon of entertainment and we will let you know how it goes with updates through Seesaw.

The week commencing **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May** will be the start of **Health Week** in school. Many exciting activities for the event have been organised including, archery, wall climbing and judo. Please remember children can wear their own clothes all week (suitable for physical activity).

**The Maths', Pizza and Play evening** has been re-scheduled for **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> May**. We will be sending a letter home about this at the start of May and we would love as many of you to attend as possible. It's going to be a terrific event with lots of Pizza to enjoy. Please return the slip attached to the letter to confirm your attendance.

## Red Nose Day

Red Nose day took place on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March. Primary 5 and P6/5 organised all of the fun of the fair in our gym hall with stalls for face painting, sponge throwing and hoop the duck being a part of the fun events. We also had a bake sale. The children, Miss Denholm and Miss Laurie did an amazing job in organising and hosting this event and everyone in school had a great day. Over the course of the day, we managed to raise a fantastic £819, which we could not have done without all your generous donations so a huge thank you to you all.



## Primary 7 Transition Visits – PMHS

P7 will attend a PE/STEM event at PMHS on 21<sup>st</sup> May. They will be escorted to/from this by the school. Further information to follow.

Primary 7 children moving to Park Mains High School after the summer break will attend Park Mains on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> and Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June. The children go directly to the school on both days and are required to wear their school uniform. They can also wear their leaver's hoodies.

## Primary 7 Leavers' Dance/Assembly

The leavers dance is on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June. The dance starts at 7.00pm. We would recommend an arrival time at the school of 6.30pm to allow time for the children to get photographs taken with their friends and family before the festivities begin.

The leaver's assembly is on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June at 9.30am in school and families are invited to attend. More information will be sent out nearer the time.

## School Contact Details

More information is available on our school website at:-

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/re/rashielea/>



Remember to follow us on Twitter: @Rashielea\_PS

## Dates for your diary



**Mon 6<sup>th</sup> May**

**Tues 7<sup>th</sup> May**

**Wed 8<sup>th</sup> May**

**Fri 10<sup>th</sup> May -**

**Tues 14<sup>th</sup> & Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> May**

**Mon 20<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> May**

**Thurs 23 May**

**Frid 24<sup>th</sup> & Mond 27<sup>th</sup> May**

**Wed 29<sup>th</sup> May**

**5<sup>th</sup> June**

**Thurs 6<sup>th</sup> 7 Frid 7<sup>th</sup> June**

**Wed 19<sup>th</sup> June**

**Wed 26<sup>th</sup> June**

**Frid 28<sup>th</sup> June**

**Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> Aug**

**School Holiday (May Day)**

**In-Service Day (children return 8<sup>th</sup>)**

**P5 Trip to Scotland Street**

**Report Cards issued**

**Parent's Evenings**

**Health Week**

**Sports Day (1.30pm)**

**May weekend holiday**

**Maths, Pizza & Play**

**P1 & P2/1 trip to Kelvingrove**

**P7 Transition visits to PMHS**

**P7 Leavers' Dance**

**P7 Leavers assembly**

**School closes at 1.00pm for summer**

**Pupils return to school**

