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Dear Parents and Carers

From one extreme to another, we have had a very stormy week weather wise and thankfully didn't experience too much damage to our school and EYC. We are however, still missing a bin which has completely disappeared from the school grounds!.



Dog Fouling

I am hopeful that the situation around dog fouling in and around the entrance to school has improved. My thanks go to parents who have been active in raising the problem and to the members of the community who now have the message that it really isn't acceptable.



The first Parent Council meeting of the new term takes place on Monday 29th January via Zoom. The meeting starts at 7pm. Please contact the Parent Council on email if you would like to join this meeting - <u>coyltonparentcouncil@yahoo.com</u>



Traditionally, January is the month in school where we celebrate all things Scottish. This year, all classes in school and EYC will do so through lessons, songs, dancing and fun! In addition, PI-7 classes will learn some Scots verse. There are 4 categories for Scots verse:

PI	Wee Ridd Motor
Junior – P2 and P3 pupils	The Sair Finger
Intermediate – P4 and P5 pupils	Address to the Toothache
Senior – P6 and P7 pupils	Extract from Tam O' Shanter

The date for Scots Verse is Friday 2nd February, starting at 9:30. We will inform parents of the finalists on today. Parents are invited to come along to the event if they wish.

EYC and PI classes had a lovely Burns event on Wednesday 24th January. They joined together in our hall where they had a piper, a highland dancer, Scottish snacks and lots of fun activities. Our thanks go to everyone who was involved in bringing this event together!

P7 pupils will have their Burns Supper in school on Tuesday 30th January. P7 teachers will provide more information about this event via Teams.



We are getting very excited about our up coming residential trips to Dolphin House with P7. In order to give parents as much information as we can ahead of the visits we are delighted that a member of Dolphin House staff is coming up to school to meet with parents on Thursday Ist February, 3:15-4:15. Pupils are welcome to be there too, but must have a parent with them. If you are unable to make the meeting and have questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch with us in school.



<u>News from the EYC</u> (provided by Kelly 🛞)

The children had a fantastic week immersed in the celebration of Burns. We would like to thank Jackie, Susan, and Monica for their invaluable assistance.

Among the highlights of our festivities, some of the children showcased their talents by delivering outstanding renditions of poetry, adding an extra layer of joy to our celebration.

In addition to our Burns-themed activities, this week was filled with exciting learning opportunities. We delved into making our own pizzas, allowing the children to not only enjoy a delicious treat but also to develop valuable skills in the kitchen. We also explored the world of measurement, providing the children with hands-on experiences that enhance their understanding of essential mathematical concepts.









We will try and give as much advance notice of school events as we can to help fit in with your family plans. This list is subject to change, and is not exhaustive. We have added a number of things to the Diary Dates this week!

Tuesday 30 th January	P7 Burns Supper
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Thursday I st February	Dolphin House meeting for P7 parents 3:15
Friday 2 nd February	Scots Verse Competition
Monday 12 th February	Holiday
Tuesday 13 th February	In Service – School and EYC closed
Monday 19 th Feb - Thursday	
22 nd Feb	Dolphin House Week I P7C
Friday 23 rd February	House Assembly
Monday 26 th Feb - Thursday 29 th Feb	Dolphin House Week 2 P7E
Tuesday 27 th February	P7 Ayr Burns Club Burns Supper
Tuesday 19 th March	P7 Ayr Academy Challenge Day 4
Monday 18 th -Friday 22 nd March	Ayr Cluster Climate Change Campaign
Wednesday 20 th March	Annual Reports to parents
Wednesday 27 th March	Parent Appointments
Thursday 28 th March	School closes at 2:30 for holidays
Monday 15 th April	School Reopens
Friday 19 th April	P5 Bike Checks
Monday 22 nd April	Ayr United in school for South Ayrshire Reads
	P5 Bikeability I
Friday 26 th April	House Assembly
Friday 3 rd May	P5 Bikeability 2
Thursday 2 nd May	Inservice – School and EYC closed
Monday 6 th May	Holiday
Friday 10 th May	P5 Bikeability 3
Thursday 16 th May	P7 Careers Fair
Friday 17 th May	P5 Bikeability 4
Thursday 23 rd May	P5 Bikeability 5
Friday 24 th May	Holiday
Monday 27 th May	Holiday
Thursday 30 th May	P5 Bikeability 6
Wednesday 29 th May	EYC to PI Transition I
Friday 31 st May	School Sports Morning
	House Assembly
Thursday 6 th June	P5 Bikeability 7
Wednesday 5 th June	EYC to PI Transition 2
Friday 7 th June	P4-7 Sports Championship Events
Monday 10 th June	Parent Drop In 3:15-5:15
Tuesday II th June	P7 to SI Transition I
	P7 to SI Transition 2
Wednesday 12 th June	EYC to PI Transition 3
	Whole School Bump Up
Sunday 16 th June	School Show Rehearsal
Thursday 13 th June	P5 Bikeability 8
Tuesday 18 th June	House Netball
Thursday 20 th June	House Football
Friday 21 st June	House Treat
Monday 24 th June	Potted Sports
Wednesday 26 th June	P7 Leavers service
	P7 Leavers Disco - evening
Thursday 27 th June	P7 Treat day
Friday 28 th June	Close for holidays at Ipm