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Welcome to another Friday! It's been such a busy week here in school. Just to remind everyone that school is closed on Monday 25th May for everyone in school and EYC as it is a bank holiday.



Aquabox Fundraising

Thank you to everyone who sent in a donation for this worth while charity. I am delighted that we raised £346.43 which will allow almost 10 Aqua Boxes to be funded. Ayr Rotary are so pleased with the efforts from our school 😊



School Sports

Sadly, we did not managed Sports this week due to wet weather both on the day and in the run up. We are aiming for Thursday 28th May as a rescheduled date, and so far, the forecast looks better!! Her's hoping!



Bikeability Level 1

Bikeability Level 1 training is underway for our Primary 5 pupils. This programme has been developed by Cycling Scotland and is being delivered throughout schools in South Ayrshire. The training is taking place within the school playgrounds and Miss Herron and Mr MacLeod are delivering the sessions each week.

Reminder...pupils must wear acceptable head protection and suitable outdoor clothing for every session. Bikes must be walked through the school playgrounds AT ALL TIMES and parked in the bike shelters.

SESSIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

P4/5 - 9:30am - 10:30am	Monday 20 th April	Bike Checks
	Monday 27 th April	Bikeability Session
P5 – 11.00am – 12.00pm	Monday 11 th May	Bikeability Session
	Monday 18 th May	Bikeability Session
	Monday 1 st June	Bikeability Session



EYC – P1 Transition

Ali Watkins and Mrs Docherty are in the process of planning a robust transition programme for pupils moving on to Primary 1 next year. More details will be sent directly to EYC parents, but important diary dates are as follows: -

Wednesday 27 th May 1:30-2:30pm	Transition Day 1 – Literacy focus in class Parents / Carers to attend this event.
Wednesday 3 rd June 9:15-10:15am	Transition Day 2 – Numeracy / Maths focus in class Only pupils to attend this session
Wednesday 10 th June 9:15-10:15am	Transition Day 3 – Health and Wellbeing focus in class Only pupils to attend this session
Friday 26 th June 2:00-2:45pm	Tie Ceremony for EYC children heading to P1 Parents/Carers to attend this event



P6 and P7 Mamma Mia Showcase

Following the success of the musical showcase at Christmas, P6 and P7 pupils are very busy rehearsing for a new showcase based on the musical Mamma Mia! They are working closely with Mr Thomson who will direct the showcase, and also with their class teachers. We will have 2 performances, held in our own school on:

Tuesday 23rd June 7:30-8:30

Wednesday 24th June 1:30-2:30

Following in the same format as last year, tickets will be available to all pupils in P6 and p7 classes in the first instance. All p6 and 7 pupils will be allocated:

3 EVENING tickets and 2 AFTERNOON tickets.

Please note, it is not obligatory that you use all these tickets. We don't anticipate there being as many tickets required for the afternoon show as obviously the majority of siblings will be in school and won't attend this performance. Be assured, the whole school will be an audience at a rehearsal in the run up to show day! In order to adhere to fire regulations, young children are not permitted to come along and sit on an adult's lap. We hope that you understand.

Tickets will cost £5 and **MUST** be presented for the performance. We are having to be strict about seating and so we cannot have anyone come in without a ticket this time. Every ticket purchased will be entered into a free Prize Draw, organised by the Parent Council. School will also run a small tuck shop at both performances.

Any tickets not being used will become available on a first come first served basis for anyone else in P6 or 7, and then the wider school. Tickets will be on sale from Wednesday 20th May via the school office and please be advised, it will be cash only. We will open up for the purchase of additional tickets on Monday 1st June. If we feel that there is a demand, we can look at adding seats to the afternoon performance.

We are always looking at ways to gather the views of parents and carers, and so each ticket will have a Quick Question on the back. We would be really grateful if you can take a minute to answer the question before handing over your ticket at the performances! We will gather the data generated from this activity and report back at a later date

Rehearsals are going well, and it is sure to be a fantastic performance 😊



Bounce a Thon

Our Parent Council have organised a Bounce a Thon for all pupils in school to take part in should they wish today. Please be sure to check out our X accounts as there are sure to be lots of photos on there later!



Bump Up

P7 pupils across South Ayrshire will 'Bump Up' to their chosen secondary school on Tuesday 9th and Wednesday 10th June. Arrangements have been sent to P7 parents from their secondary schools already.

Children moving up a class here in school will have a Bump Up hour with their new class teacher on Wednesday 10th June. Letters will come home to parents on this date outlining their child's class and teacher for next session.

As always in Coylton Primary, we need to restructure each year and so we will have the following classes:

EYC

P1 P5

P1/2 P5/6

P2/3 P6

P3 P7

P4 P7

Teachers in school are currently very busy creating these new classes for next session, taking many factors into account such as peer relationships, literacy and numeracy abilities and additional support needs. I know this can be a daunting time for pupils and parents, but please trust our staff. Every child is looked at individually and not just grouped together. We generally get things right and are always available to talk to parents and pupils about classes. Restructuring every year really does help support when children move on to secondary school as already, they have had experiences of mixing with others within their year group every year of primary school.



Celebrating Success

We are always eager to hear about your child's wider achievements, both in and outside of school. This could be an achievement in sport, music, arts, community involvement or any other area where your child has excelled or shown dedication.

If your child has a wider achievement that you would like to share, please provide us with details and a photo. You can send this information to Coylton.mail@south-ayrshire.gov.uk.

These achievements will be discussed and celebrated with your child in class and during House Assemblies. Photos will be added to our Wall of Fame which is displayed in the gym hall.



Parking

I would like to remind all parents and carers of the importance of safe, lawful and considerate parking around Coylton Primary School and EYC. The safety of our pupils and respect for our local community remain our top priorities at all times.

The school car park MUST NOT be used for dropping off or collecting children during busy periods. Spaces are reserved for staff, blue badge holders and taxis/minibuses. Clear signage is displayed; however, some parents and carers continue to ignore this guidance and enter the car park when the gates open at 9am. This has resulted in an increase in pupils arriving late due to families waiting for access. We ask that you arrive in good time and help set a positive example for your child by being punctual.

We also ask all drivers to show courtesy to local residents by keeping driveways clear, observing the 20mph speed limit and avoiding parking in locations that could cause danger or traffic build-up. We are working closely with Police Scotland, who have been patrolling the area during mornings and afternoons to support safe parking. Your cooperation is essential in helping us keep everyone safe and maintain positive relationships within our community.



News from the EYC (provided by Nicola 😊)

This week in the 2-3 room we have been exploring everyday technology, investigating how they work and what they do. We have been developing our fine motor skills using scissors to cut up flowers and different materials. We have had the interactive screen out playing different games, as well as using the light box to see how the light shines through the towers we have been building with 3D shapes.



In the 3-5 room this week we have been exploring pattern in different contexts where we used different patterns to copy and continue simply patterns. We were also exploring work by different artists and how they use bright colours. We focused on work by Henri Matisse and used our favourite colours to make bright pictures.

The EYC sports day will take place on Tuesday 2nd June at 2.15 weather permitting. Our transition programme to primary one will begin on Wednesday 27th May at 1.30pm we look forward to seeing parent/carers at this event.



Diary Dates

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. Please note, any changes to diary dates are highlighted in yellow.

Friday 22 nd May	PARENT COUNCIL BOUNCE A THON
Monday 25 th May	Holiday
Wednesday 27 th May	EYC to PI Transition 1
Tuesday 2 nd June	EYC Sports
Wednesday 3 rd June	EYC to PI Transition 2
Monday 8 th June	EYC Parent Appointments
Tuesday 9 th June	P7 to S1 Transition 1
Wednesday 10 th June	P7 to S1 Transition 2 EYC to PI Transition 3 Whole School Bump Up
Tuesday 23 rd June	Mamma Mia Showcase – 7:30pm
Wednesday 24 th June	Mamma Mia Showcase – 1:30pm
Friday 26 th June	P7 Leavers Service EYC Tie Ceremony
Monday 29 th June	P7 Treat **P7 Leavers Disco** PLEASE NOTE THIS CHANGE OF DATE
Tuesday 30 th June	School closes at 1pm

