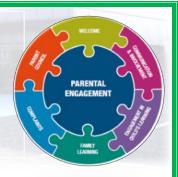
# Struthers Primary School and EYC

## **January 2024 Newsletter**



### Dear parents and families

As we begin our new chapter in 2024, we're excited to extend a warm welcome back to school. Our aim is to make this year a memorable one filled with laughter, friendship, and a shared commitment to be the very best we can be. We truly value our partnerships with our families and know that together, we can create a nurturing and empowering ethos where our children can thrive.

#### Term 3 at a glance:

Date	Time	Event
29.01.24	10:30	Marr Netball Festival
02.02.24	09:15	UNCRC Committee leading Mental Health Assembly
02.02.24	15:30	Struthers vs Kincaidston at Marr College
05.02.24		EYC Registration week begins
05.02.24	From 09:45	Funky Foods visiting P2, P3 and P4 children
06.02.24	15:15	Inverclyde Information Sharing Event for Parents
08.02.24	15:30	Struthers vs St Patricks at Marr College
09.02.24	09:15	P4 Scottish Assembly – parents welcome
12.02.24		School Holiday
13.02.24		In-service day for staff only
14.02.24	From 10:45 and 14:00	EYC Stay and Play
15.02.24	P1-3 18:00 – 19:15	Parent Council Disco
	P4-7 19:30 – 20:45	
19.02.24		Final Week for Deferred Entry Applications
21.02.24	From 15:30	Parents' Night Appointments
27.02.24	TBC	South Ayrshire Burns Club Event
05.03.24	TBC	P7 Parents Information Evening at Marr College
08.03.24	09:15	P7 Rotary Quiz
12.03.24	09:30 – 12 noon	P7 STEM Challenge at Marr
14.03.24	From 10:45 and 14:00	EYC Spring Craft Event
15.03.24	09:15	P6 Victorians Assembly
21.03.24	09:00 - 13:00	Cross-country Competition
22.03.24	09:15	P7/6 Titanic Assembly
26.03.24	TBC	Gymnastics Competition
28.03.24	15:00	School Closes for our Easter Break
15.04.24	09:00	Pupils and Staff Return

#### **HANDY HELPERS**

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our Handy Helpers for investing their time, expertise, enthusiam and support. Your dedication has enriched the experiences on offer for our children and has been gratefully received by our staff.

If you would like to join us as a volunteer, please call our office or drop us an email. We are eager to embrace every offer of support to enhance our community spirit.







#### **PARENT COUNCIL**



On behalf of our entire school community, I would like to extend our sincere gratitude to Lucy for her outstanding service as our Parent Council Chairperson. Lucy's leadership and tireless efforts have truly made a significant impact across Struthers and beyond.

As Lucy's little one is now in P7, and preparing to join Marr College, Lucy feels that the time is right to pass on this role to someone new. If you are interested in this opportunity to foster communication, collaboration and support among parents, teachers and our wider community, please get in touch with the school office.

Our next Parent Council meeting will be held within school on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> of February, between 18:15 and 19:15.

#### **EYC CEILIDH**

A huge thank you to our families who came along to our first ever Early Years Ceilidh on Wednesday. From our lively music to the energetic dances and the warm camaraderie that filled the hall, it was evident from everyone's faces that our collective endeavour was a real success. Precious memorable moments in the making.

#### **BURNS SUPPER**

In tribute to our Bard of Ayrshire, Robert Burns, our Primary Six and Primary Seven pupils held our very own Burns Supper within school on Thursday. Upholding tradition, the children were piped into the hall by one of our former pupils, Alex. We were then regaled with captivating recitations and some stunning vocalists. The Toast to the Lassies and the subsequent Reply from the Lassies were humorous and stirred a few oohs and aahs from the audience.



#### **SCOTS POETRY COMPETITION**





Congratulations to our poetry finalists who performed exceptionally well on Friday. The passion, eloquence and nuanced interpretations displayed by our finalists enthralled our audience and judges.

A special thank you to Mrs Maley and Mrs Hogg for judging our competition. This was no easy task.

With her recitation of 'A Dug, A Dug' by Billy Keys, Anna was thrilled to have won overall. Congratulations, Anna.

#### **BEAT THE STREET**



We are delighted to share with you a new initiative that is being rolled out across Scotland to encourage physical activity, foster a sense of community, and promote a healthy lifestyle among students, staff and parents. Craig, our Parent Council clerk, has led Beat the Street and although he needs to be impartial, we

have on good authority that his heart lies with Struthers. On the  $9^{th}$  of February, every child within school and our Early Years Centre will be issued with an introductory leaflet and two cards.







Beat the Street South Ayrshire has been commissioned by the Ayrshire Roads Alliance on behalf of South Ayrshire Council and is funded by Paths for All's Smarter Choices, Smarter Places programme. Our South Ayrshire competition will run from the 14<sup>th</sup> of February until the 27<sup>th</sup> of March. Further information can be found by clicking on the QR code below, or by visiting: https://www.beatthestreet.me/southayrshire/



As always, should you have any queries about anything within our newsletter, or in connection with your child's learning, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Best wishes

Mrs Laura Clark













