



P4-P7 Show - Annie

How amazing were our boys and girls in their production of Annie? I honestly couldn't be prouder of their efforts on the nights but also the attitude and behaviour from all of the children throughout all of the rehearsals. Following on from their success in Annie, a few children have also auditioned for the adult group 'APOS' for their upcoming production of Oliver. Good luck girls!!!



Parents' Night

A fantastic turnout at our last parents' night of the session. I hope you enjoyed hearing about how well your children are progressing. If you took away any staged intervention paperwork could you please return this signed to the school. Thank you.

Parent Parish Coffee morning

What an amazing day on Sunday at the coffee morning after 9.30am mass. Not only did the parent Council raise £350 for the school they also helped to support our school, home and parish partnership. A number of the parishioners complemented the work of the Parent Council. My thanks to all involved.

South Ayrshire Junior Concert Band



A huge well done to Emma Brown in P7 who has been performing with the South Ayrshire Concert Band throughout this year. The band have been very successful and have received a Platinum award (the highest award that you can achieve) at the National Concert band festival in Manchester. Well done to all.

Infant Refurbishment

This summer the second half of our refurbishment will take place in our infant end and will again mean extra closure days for **SOME** of our pupils. I appreciate that this caused some disruption last year and will have an impact for parents again this year, however, I believe the disruption to be significantly better than the initial plan. The proposal had been to decant to Queen Margaret Academy for 6 months to complete all of the works at once. I am sure that you will agree that the infant area will benefit greatly from this work

The children affected and dates are as followed.

All current primary 1, 2 and 7 pupils will finish for summer on Wednesday 26th June at **3pm**. All primary 3, 4, 5 and 6 pupils will finish at **1pm** on Friday 28th June.

In August **all new primary 3, 4, 5 and 6** children will return to school on **Tuesday 20th August**. **All new primary 1, 2 and 7** children will return to school one day later on **Wednesday 21st August**.

Access Hour

The last access hour of the school year is on Wednesday the 22nd May from 3-4pm. As well as having an opportunity to visit your child's classroom we will also be running a series of parent and child activities and games during this time. We would love to see you there.

Breakfast Club

Our school breakfast club continues with a good turnout from 8.30am. Breakfast will be available until 8.50am with all children supervised until 9am. Children do not have to be booked in or come every day but **we cannot take children into school before 8.30am or after 8.55am**. There is a great variety of cereals, toast and drinks for the children to enjoy. Due to all supervision being in the breakfast club, if a child comes in to breakfast club they cannot go back out to the playground. I know that the children find this difficult in the summer term and we will look at a way of the breakfast club children accessing the back playground.

P7 Inverclyde Residential Trip

To ensure your child's place on the upcoming residential trip please try and make final payments as soon as possible. The school has to make payment for the full amount before the trip commences.

P6 - Trip

As you know the decision was made to continue with one residential trip in Primary 7 due to spiralling costs for parents. However, for the last couple of years we have trialled a 3 day ski school at Newmilns. We worked with Newmilns ski centre to come up with a package for all of our primary 6 children to undertake a 3 day Ski school and 'tubing'. The children will come to school in non- school uniform at the normal time in the morning and will be bused to Newmilns and then back again for the end of the day. The school will pay the bus costs, will provide a packed lunch each day and subsidise the trip so that children will only be required to pay £40 or £25 if in receipt of free school meals.

Advance notice of Diary Dates

Wednesday 1 st May	Dental Services P1/P2 checks Girls Football Competition	a.m. 12-2:30 @ Ayr Academy
Friday 3 rd May	Rag Bag Collection	
Monday 6 th May	May Bank Holiday - School closed	
Tuesday 7 th May	Parent/Child Spanish P5-P7 Parent/Child Karate P1-3	3-4pm in school 3-4pm in school
Wednesday 8 th May	Netball League	3:30 @ Heathfield

Thursday 9 th May	Bishop Nolan visiting	9.30am in school
Monday 13 th May	Lego Story Group- week 2 Netball P4-P7	3-4pm in school-Mrs Adams 3-4pm in school
Tuesday 14 th May	Parent/Child Spanish P5-P7 Parent/Child Karate P1-3	3-4pm in school 3-4pm in school
Wednesday 15 th May	Primary Relay Netball League	9:15-2:30pm @ Dam Park 3pm Heathfield
Thursday 16 th May	QMA Relay	11am @ Dam Park
Monday 20 th May	Lego Story Group- week 3	3-4pm in school-Mrs Adams
Tuesday 21 st May	Sports Day times tbc Parent/Child Spanish P5-P7 Parent/Child Karate P1-3	Dam Park, Ayr 3-4pm in school 3-4pm in school
Wednesday 22 nd May	Access/Progress Hour for Parents	3-4pm
Thursday 23 rd May	Netball	9:30-12:30 @ Citadel
Friday 24 th May	Boys football game	1:30 k.o. -v- Symington
Monday 27 th May	School Closed- Bank Holiday	
Tuesday 28 th May	School Closed- In-Service Day	
Wednesday 29 th May	School Re-opens	9:00am
Thursday 30 th May	Boys football game	3:30 -v- Sacred Heart in Girvan
Tuesday 4 th June	Parent/child Karate P1-3 week 6	3-4pm in school
Wednesday 5 th June	QMA Orchestra visit Nursery informal visit & Parent Presentation	Time tbc 1:45pm tbc
Saturday 8 th June	First Communion class mass for children and families.	12pm
Tuesday 11 th June	P2/3 show- Pirates & Mermaids	6pm in school

Wednesday 12 th June	P7 @ QMA P2/3 show- Pirates & Mermaids P1 Transition P1-P6 bump-up	All day 10am in school 1:30pm in school Pm
Thursday 13 th June	P7 @ QMA P1-6 Bump up P1 Transition & Lunch	All day 10-11:30 am
Friday 14 th June	P7 @ QMA	All day
Monday 17 th June	P7- Residential trip to Inverclyde 1/4	
Tuesday 18 th June	P7 Residential trip to Inverclyde 2/4 P6 Ski Slope day session- Newmilns	
Wednesday 19 th June	P7 Residential trip to Inverclyde 3/4 P6 Ski Slope day session- Newmilns	
Thursday 20 th June	P7 Residential Trip to Inverclyde return today P6 Ski Slope day session- Newmilns	
Tuesday 25 th June	P7 Valedictory Mass @ St Margaret's Cathedral	10am Mass
Wednesday 26 th June	P7 Ski Slope $\frac{1}{2}$ day session- Newmilns	10-12noon
Thursday 27 th June	P1, P2 and P7 pupils not attend school - refit	Day 1
Friday 28 th June	P1, P2 and P7 pupils not attend school - refit SCHOOL CLOSERS FOR SUMMER HOLIDAYS @ 1PM	Day 2

Parish dates

Event	Date and time	Parish
Primary 4 Sacrament of First Holy Communion	May 2019 as per parents arrangement with parish	St Paul's. St Margaret's and St Francis Xavier
Class Celebration of First Holy Communion	Saturday 8 th June 12pm	St. Margaret's

Assembly Dates

The children are enjoying sharing their learning with you at our assemblies; here are the dates for the final term. We are hoping to continue to run some parent fundraising events after each stage assembly in the summer term. Please let the school know your plans as soon as possible to ensure that we can provide you with a room to work in etc.

Term 4

Friday 3 rd May	Primary 5	9.10-9.30
Friday 10 th May	Primary 4	9.10-9.30
Friday 17 th May	Primary 3	9.10-9.30
Friday 24 th May	Primary 2	9.10-9.30
Friday 31 st May	Primary 1	9.10-9.30
Tuesday 25 th June	Primary 7 Valedictory mass	10am mass

Sports Update

This month our Primary 1 and 2 classes have been receiving athletics practice from our Active Schools Coordinator to prepare them for sports day.

Ayr United Football Academy have been in our school delivering sessions to both our Primary 3 classes. The classes learn about the benefits of having a healthy heart then participate in coaching sessions.

Our second Primary 6 class are now starting their level 2 Bike Ability Training, this will see pupils learn how to ride their bikes safely on the road. Both Primary 6 classes are attending tennis lessons at Ayr Fort delivered by coaches from Prestwick Tennis Centre.



Football

The Girls Team played against Ayr Grammar in the Quarter Final of the South Ayrshire Cup. The Team won 5-1 and are now eagerly waiting to see who they are drawn against in the Semi Final. The Girls team also took part in the Whitletts Road Games Competition. The team won the competition after beating Braehead and Newton.

Our Girls football Team also won the South Ayrshire Primary Girls Football Trophy and now play against the winners of the East Ayrshire Schools Competition. Well done Girls, hard work pays off!

The Boys team are due to play their last 3 games of the season in May against Symington, Sacred Heart and Girvan. Good Luck Boys!



TKS Martial Arts have been delivering parent and child sessions to pupils from P1-3 afterschool on Tuesday. The sessions allows parents and guardians the opportunity to support their child through sport.

