



Head Teacher's Welcome

Dear Parents,

I can't quite believe that I am writing the final newsletter of this academic session! Where does the time go? Our Primary 7 pupils have been to visit Carluke High School and our new P1 pupils have almost finished their transition programme for the year.

I am currently working on the class structure for next session and it is my intention to let you know who your child's class teacher is when this is finalised and we have received further guidance from South Lanarkshire Council. As in previous years, there will be composite classes within the school. Please be reassured that we take many factors into consideration, looking at working groups as well as friendships. Our school roll for next session will be 203 children, therefore, South Lanarkshire Council have informed us there will be 8 classes.

Thank you to those who have contributed to our questionnaires recently to help us identify our next steps in improving our school. Our school improvement priorities will be based on:

- Improving attainment in literacy with a continued focus on Extended Writing as well as a new focus on spelling
- Improving attainment in numeracy through problem solving and application of maths in real life contexts.
- Improving Learning & Teaching with a focus on quality learning opportunities across the school.
- Improving learners' mental and social wellbeing through wellbeing and developing a rights based curriculum.

Copies of the improvement plan will be issued once this has been finalised with South Lanarkshire Council. Our school improvement plan will also outline details of how we intend to spend the Pupil Equity Fund to raise attainment and narrow the poverty related attainment gap. The Pupil Equity Fund will align directly with our school improvement agenda.

Lynne Brennan, Head Teacher

Primary 6 Buddies

The children in Primary 6 have been fantastic buddies to our new Primary 1 children, helping them to settle into class during transition visits. We are sure they will continue to be excellent ambassadors for our school.

Sponsored Welly Walk

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parent/carers for their support in our sponsored event and we are delighted to announce that we have made over £1400, the pupils had a super day and really enjoyed the challenge. We are able to purchase 4 iPads with this money and will place the order for these as soon as we can. If you still have any sponsor money at home we would be obliged if this could be handed into school before the end of term. Thanks again, we couldn't do it without you.



Sports Day – Tuesday 18th June

We would like to invite all our parents and friends to join us for our Annual Sports Day on Tuesday 18th June at John Cummings Stadium starting at 10am. We have an action planned morning in store for all our children. If you are able to help escort us to and from the stadium, as well as help on the day, please contact Miss Burns who will be able to give you more information. We need you! Further information has been sent out separately.

Please ensure all EV5 forms are returned by Monday. Pupils should come dressed in their sports kit, ideally with their house coloured T-shirt on. Please ensure a waterproof jacket if the forecast is for rain. We have suggested pupils bring a small drawstring bag with them to keep all their belongings in. It would be really helpful if everything is clearly labelled with your child's name.

End of Term Lunch Arrangement

Our School closes at 1.00pm on Friday 28th June. There will be no lunchtime, however, pupils entitled to a lunch will be provided with a cold 'packed lunch' style lunch prior to 1.00pm.

Personal Items

We understand that pupils like to bring their toys and games into school to share with their friends at playtimes and lunchtimes. You may wish to consider if it is a good idea for children to bring in their new or favourite toys. Recently, some items have become lost or accidentally broken and this is always upsetting. Unfortunately we cannot accept responsibility for any lost or broken items. We would recommend that children do not bring their own toys and games into school. As always, personal electronic items and mobile devices are not permitted within school.

We have a growing collection of unnamed uniform, packed lunch boxes and water bottles. Any items, which are not collected by Friday 21st June, will be donated to charity or thrown out, as we do not have storage for such items.

Parental Consultation Meetings

Thank you to everyone who attended our Parental Consultation Meetings last month. The feedback from which was very positive. Almost all teachers (and parents) kept to time. If you were unable to make your appointment, please contact the school for an alternative appointment. The book club made over £550 which will be used to support reading across the school. Thank you for your continued support.

PTA Summer Disco

Our PTA are organising an end of year disco for all pupils on Thursday 20th June. The disco for children in Primary 1, Primary 2 and Primary 3 starts at 6.15pm and ends at 7.15pm. The disco for pupils within Primary 4, 5, 6 and 7 starts at 7.30 and finishes at 8.30pm. All children must be collected by a responsible adult at the end of disco.

Further information will be posted on Twitter and our school website.

Primary 7

Can I wish all the Primary 7 pupils the very best of luck in the next part of their school career. All our pupils are heading to Carlisle High, where we can keep a very close watch on their developments. All pupils remain close to our hearts at Kirkton regardless of where they are. During their time here, the children have grown and developed so much and I would like to thank parents and carers for allowing us the opportunity to be positive influences in their lives.

Thank you

Can I take this opportunity to thank all parents, carers and friends of Kirkton for your continued support over the year. I have been made most welcome and are delighted with the progress our



children, staff and whole community have made during this year. We are all part of an amazing family and I have thoroughly enjoyed leading the staff, pupils and parents through our busy year. I hope you all have a relaxing and peaceful summer and look forward to seeing you all again in August.

Dates for the diary

As always, we are a busy school and dates can change.

Day & Date	Event
Thursday 13 th June	P7 Leaver's Service
Monday 17 th June	P6 Bikeability
Tuesday 18 th June	Sports Day
Friday 28 th June	Non-Uniform Day
Friday 28 th June	1pm Close – Summer Holidays

Thank you for your continued support and co-operation.



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If you have any comments or feedback, please complete this slip and return it to the school office.

Name:	Pupil:	Date:



FUNDRAISING PUPIL VOICE GROUP

Kirkton Primary's Fundraising Group is committed to coming up with fun ways of raising money for various projects. Our group is comprised of children from all stages of the school and are fully involved in decision making at every step. Our focus this year was raising money for Comic Relief through our events for Red Nose Day.

We decided to hold a Fun Day in school with fun activities in three different areas. Primary 4-7 split into three groups with the children in each group in charge of the activities in each area: the canteen, the gym hall and the playground. Children decided on what activities they wanted to do and what the rules and prizes were, while our Primary 1-3 members were in charge of advertising through creating posters to display around the school. On the day we worked hard at manning the activities and making sure everything went smoothly. We had a lot of fun and enjoyed taking on the responsibility of raising money for such a brilliant cause. We raised an incredible £346 for Comic Relief. After the event we evaluated what we did and considered how we could improve on it for our next project. We also researched where the money we raised would be going.

Our members are:

P1 Connie Dexter Joseph	P2 Hollie Jake Lauren	P3 Noor Lucas Layla Freya Murrion	P4 Jacob Grace Freya Ethan
P5 Tyler Lewis	P6 Maxwell Holly Emma	P7 Chloe Rory Ailsa	

In the future our group would like to focus on helping to raise money to make improvements in our school, and have expressed an interest in working alongside other Pupil Voice groups to raise money for things such as new playground equipment.

Miss Smith and the Fundraising Pupil Voice Group

