



Tinto Times

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Head Teacher's Report

Welcome to the penultimate newsletter of this term and year! As a school we are looking forward to all the excitement of December but we also had a very enjoyable November

In-Service Days: These days allow staff to develop their professional knowledge and understanding through training and collaborative working. The first in-service day was spent, with other schools in the Learning Community, receiving training on the new National resource for "Relationships, Sexual Health and Parenthood". These resources were used at Tinto last session but in the draft form. As a result of the feedback given during the pilot, the materials have been updated and additional resources added. Staff at Tinto will be using this resource in Term 3 this session. This training linked to the Development Priority in our Improvement Plan of Health and Well Being.

The second in-service day was spent at Biggar High with all support staff, Early Years staff and teachers. The Learning Community participated in a workshop, led by Anton Florek of The Staff College, examining how we can work together more effectively as a community to support our young learners. This workshop was supported and financed by South Lanarkshire Council as part of a year long project currently being undertaken by all H.T's in the Learning Community. Feedback from staff was extremely positive and we are looking forward to more collaborative working in the future.

This training linked to the Scottish Government's National Priority of Empowerment.

Tinto Staff also engaged in an afternoon training session focussing on food skills. This linked to the Development Priority in our Improvement Plan of Health and Well Being. All teachers are now more confident in building this aspect into their planned curriculum experiences for the children.

Clydesdale Dance Festival: congratulations to the pupils who represented Tinto P.S at the Festival. Their Harry Potter themed dance was amazing and well appreciated by the audience – the lifting of Anna drew gasps of amazement! The children are to be particularly congratulated as they had to practice without Mrs Andrews for the final 2 weeks before the event. Well done Aiden White, Grace Johnstone, Kayla and Jack Morris, Anna Cathcart, Daniel Ronaldson and Ella Lammond.

Rotary Kids: The local Rotary Association have offered to run a lunchtime club for pupils. The club would focus on alternating each year with making improvements in the local community or supporting a charity overseas. This would be a great community partnership for the school and a valuable experience for the pupils. However – we also need a parent or grandparent (or other family member!) who could also meet with the group twice a month. If this is an area you would be interested in, please contact Ms Stark. Thank you.

Rotary Quiz: The P7 pupils in the Learning community took part in the annual Rotary Quiz this month. The event took place in Tinto P.S and there were ten schools represented. Congratulations to the Tinto Team for their sterling effort – Ella Lammond, Kirsten Laing, Scarlett Cowan and Connor Brown– and to Biggar P.S and Black Mount P.S as the winners. Thanks also to the members of the Rotary who gave up their time to organise and run the event.

Christmas Fair: Thank you very much indeed for the fabulous support we received for this event. The contributions from families for the tombola, raffle and home baking were greatly appreciated. The children enjoyed making and selling their crafts and are now enjoying planning how to spend their profits! The event raised £1482.32 in total. Congratulations also to Maisie Taylor who had her own stall – Maisie spent weeks making pom-poms which were used to make various items to sell. Maisie made an amazing £37.00 and has very generously gifted this to the School Fund. Thank you Maisie.

Another pupil also had her own stall – Kristiana Fleming was raising money for Queen Elizabeth Hospital, where her brother is undergoing treatment. Kristiana's raffle raised £60. The members of the local church were so impressed by Kristiana's commitment that they have donated an additional £35.00. Well done Kristiana!

Benchball / Basketball Festival: Active Schools organised this event, held at Biggar High School, for all P4-7 pupils in the Learning Community. This is an opportunity for the children to begin to get to know the children from the other schools before they attend B.H.S. It was a very enjoyable morning and the children were fantastic ambassadors for Tinto P.S. Some of the money raised for school funds (Sponsored Scoot / Christmas Fair) by parents and families paid for the transport for this event. Thank you.

Top Table: Well done to the pupils who were awarded "Top Table" this month – and had their lunch served to them by Ms Stark and Mrs Kilgallon. The pupils were selected by support and facilities staff for their good manners in the lunch hall. This month Anton Black; Hazel Bell; Kenzie Ramage; Mason Kerr; Angus Thomson; Erin Mackay; Aiden Garret; Kristiana Fleming; Freya Brown; Holly King; Kayla Morris; Daniel Ronaldson; Daniel Turner; Toby Cook were the pupils chosen. Well done everyone!

Upcoming events:

P1 enrolment: It's almost that time again! If you have a child who will be P1 in August 2020, then you need to enrol in your catchment school week beginning 13.1.20. Please ensure you bring a full birth certificate and two proofs of residency to the school. A member of staff will meet with you to complete the paperwork and answer any queries you may have. Please note that a class teacher has not yet been allocated for P1 next session and composition of classes cannot be confirmed until placing requests have been agreed in April 2020.

Upcoming Events:

Nursery Nativity	5.12.19	A.M
P1-3 Nativity	10.12.19	1.30 p.m.
P1-3 Nativity	11.12.19	10.00 a.m.
Christmas Lunch	11.12.19	Christmas jumpers / headwear can be worn
Panto	16.12.19	P.M
P4-7 party	17.12.19	P.M
P1-3 party	18.12.19	P.M
Nursery party	19.12.19	A.M
ASC films	19.12.19	P.M
Dress Down	20.12.19	
School closes	20.12.19	2.30 p.m.

Tinto Parent Council

I would like to remind everyone not to forget about 'easyfundraising' as everyone does their Christmas shopping. It is a great way to raise funds without any cost to you (in fact there are deals and offers through this website that can also mean savings). We had great success with the Christmas shopping last year – it would be great to see a similar result this year. The tool bar is a fab way to get reminders for any website you are on and with most it just means one click to activate your donation.

The google calendar is regularly updated and is really useful for parents to check what is happening in the school.

Previous minutes will be available to view on the school website. If you have any questions, comments or suggestions that you wish to share then please contact me on tintoparents@gmail.com.

The next meeting of the parent council is Tuesday 21st January in the Primary school. Meetings are open to all parents and we would welcome you to join us to find out more regarding ongoing plans within the school and future fundraising events.

Kind regards

Lorna Christie.

(Chairperson Parent Council)

TINTO FUNDRAISERS

Tinto Fundraisers had another successful day at the Christmas Fayre. We provided refreshments and had a home baking and sweet stall. £145.95 was raised - what a fantastic amount. Thank you to all those that helped or donated home baking.

We hope you all have a Merry Christmas and enjoy a wee break from fundraising events for a wee while.

If you would like to be involved with the Tinto Fundraisers give us a wee text and we will add you onto the WhatsApp group - would be great to have any new faces and fundraising ideas!

Thanks for all your help

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TINTO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

What is the After School Club?

The club is a charity registered in Scotland and was started by parents in 2004. The club is run by parents / carers and without enough support the club it cannot exist

Activities in 18/19 term included football, netball, multi-sports, cooking, crafts, cherry dance and movie nights

It offers 1 hour sessions between 3-4pm on the school premises during term time. Some activities are run by SLC coaches, external companies and many have been run by parents / carers and High School pupils

We charge each child £15 (P1 go free) at the start of the school year which allows them to attend any club.....no limits except age limits. Sessions are divided into P1-3 or P4-7.

Additional funds are raised through grants and the Village Day Tombola.

Purpose of the clubs is to help provide new experiences in various activities to encourage social and recreational development.

HELP REQUIRED

Do you have a skill you can use to run a club?

Are you able to be a parent helper?

Can you join the committee to help co-ordinate the activities?

WITHOUT ADDITIONAL SUPPORT FROM PARENTS THE CLUB WILL NOT BE ABLE TO FUNCTION

After School Club Resources

Over the years the club has built up a wide range of equipment including:

Gardening Shed and equipment (see below)	Basket Balls
Net Balls	Rugby Balls
Hockey sticks and balls	Golf set
Folding scoreboards	Cones
Velcro dart board	Velcro ball game

Gardening shed:

15 Rakes	10 shovels
5 hand forks	17 hand shovels
5 hoes	100+pots
50+ seed trays	40+ canes
Netting	

Please get in touch

A club meeting will be announced soon on the app and school facebook page

If you can offer help please get in touch: Email: asctinto@gmail.com

Current committee.

Chairperson:	Claire Thomson
Treasurer:	Laura Garret
Secretary:	Kimberly Richmond
Co-ordinator(s):	Vacant (clubs, parent helpers, funding/grants)