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Head Teacher's Report



Newsletter October 2019



Welcome to the October newsletter. I hope all families had an enjoyable half term break

Harvest Assembly: Thank you for the contributions for the Clydesdale Foodbank that were handed in for our Harvest Assembly. The children enjoyed having the assembly in the church and listened attentively when I was speaking about where our food comes from and how lucky we were to have such a variety of foods. Thank you to the families that joined us for the service, its always lovely to have the school community represented. We were also grateful to Rev Shand for his contribution to the service.

A representative from the Foodbank visited school after half term to collect the items and spoke to the children at assembly about the need for these contributions.



Sponsored Scoot:

Thank you so much for your incredible generosity in this venture. You have raised £976 for the School Fund. The children really enjoyed their 3 trips around the route walking or scooting and we had delightful conversations on the way. The money will be used to buy the craft items needed for the classes to make their items for the Christmas Fayre. The funds will also be used to buy items to enrich the learning in the classroom – such as baking.

Improvement Plan:

The staff have had two sessions with SLC Development Officer for Digital Literacy. This is one of the areas listed as a Development Priority for this year. Staff were shown how to use various Google docs and forms; how to use spreadsheets and how to use programmes for making and editing films. The teachers will be using these resources to support teaching and learning in the classroom and we will also be showcasing some of these at the next Parents Workshop (see below)

Games Festival:

The P1-3 pupils had a great morning at Biggar Sports Hall earlier this month. There were a variety of activities and games to play, including skipping and parachute activities. The event was organised by the Active Schools Co –Ordinator team.

Inter house Football

The P7 House Captains did a fantastic job of organising the Inter house football this year – this included training as well as timetabling the matches and being referees. All teams played excellent football and were very well supported by their House. Well done to Tay for being the overall winners this year.

**Halloween discos:**

Thank you very much to Tinto Fund Raisers for hosting these two discos. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and the costumes were amazing. P7 pupils also organised a day of Halloween fun in aid of their P7 night out. The children had great fun dooking for apples and having broomstick races!



Upcoming Events:

4.11.19	Parent Council Meeting, 7.00 p.m	
13.11.19	Parent workshop 7.00-8.30	Digital Literacy
14.11.19	Clydesdale Dance Event, Lanark	
18-19.11.19	In-Service Days	
22.11.19	Christmas Fayre 1.30-4.00 p.m	
26.11.19	P7 team Rotary Quiz	
27.11.19	P4-7 Benchball / Netball event	
5.12.19	Nursery Nativity	
10-11.12.19	P1-3 Nativity	
16.12.19	Panto (in school)	
17.12.19	P4-7 party	
18.12.19	P1-3 party	
19.12.19	Nursery party	
20.12.19	School closes at 2.30 p.m.	

Christmas Fayre: As many of you will know, the big C word is usually banned in school until December but with the Christmas Fayre being on the 22nd November, I've been unable to enforce the ban this year!

Tinto Parent Council

I hope everyone had a great break over the October Holidays.

Thank you to everyone who made the Halloween discos such a success! The kids looked fantastic and everyone had a great time.

I would like to remind everyone not to forget about 'easyfundraising' as everyone starts to think about 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.

This term the funds raised by the parent council have been used to fund the School App for parents to allow for easy communication.

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 Monday 11th November 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

Race Night

Thanks so much to everyone who attended the race night. We raised an amazing £340 which will go towards new tablets for the school. A massive thanks to all the volunteers who came along to help run the evening, to Gus for the hall and the bar and to all the kids who gave us super speedy turtle races!

Halloween Parties

The Halloween Parties on Tuesday 29th October were once again enjoyed by all. There were lots of fantastic costumes on show and everyone had a great time dancing and playing games. Thanks to the parents and staff who helped on the night and to Chris Cruise for his disco.

Christmas Fayre

Tinto Fundraisers will be serving refreshments at the Christmas Fayre on Friday 22nd November. We will also be selling home baking so any donations would be gratefully appreciated. Baking can be handed into the school on the day. If you are free in the afternoon to help serve tea/coffee please let us know.

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)

Net Balls

Hockey sticks and balls

Folding scoreboards

Velcro dart board

Basket Balls

Rugby Balls

Golf set

Cones

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)