



East Plean Primary School and Nursery Newsletter

November 2023

Skills

Our new term started with an assembly, during which “Marvel” shared how important it is to develop skills for learning, life and work. Marvel asked us to begin looking at skills for work. He introduced the 9 skills we will be focusing on as we engage in learning in the classroom, playground and wider community. Marvel will recognise learners who are demonstrating the skills well with a certificate at assembly. We hope that through this focused approach to skill development learners will have a deeper understanding of the skills they are developing and why they are important for us in school and for the future.

We look forward to welcoming parents/ carers to our Literacy Family Learning event on Thursday 16th November from 5pm-6pm. We are taking a different approach to reporting progress this session and so we would encourage as many parents/ carers to attend. This family learning opportunity will give you an insight into your child’s literacy learning in school and be able to see and discuss the progress your child is making across literacy. Parents with more than one child in school will be able to visit each child’s class during the hour. There will also be an opportunity for parents to visit the school Book Fayre during the family learning session.

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Mrs. R. Donnelly (Headteacher)

Parent Council

Thank you to our Parent Council for hosting our **Halloween parties** on Thursday **26th October** and Plean’s Pumpkin Patch Event on **Sunday 29th October**. Both events were very well attended and great fun was had by all. We appreciate the work our Parent Council does to enrich the experiences for our learners.



Hallowe'en Parties: Games, fun and Hallowe'en treats were enjoyed by all who came along!



Plean's Pumpkin Patch



Thank you to our Parent Council, Plean's Voice volunteers and our community for making Plean's first Pumpkin Patch a resounding success! Thank you to all our families and friends who came along and helped make our patch a positive place to be on Sunday 29th October!

Artlink Project

Primary 6 have been working in partnership with William Simpson Care Home on an Artlink project called "Remembering Together" (a Scotland wide project managed by Greenspace Scotland and funded by Scottish Government). This has been an autumnal themed project involving art, music and dance, celebrating seasons for life, nature and being together as a community. The most recent session took place at William Simpson Care Home with Primary 6 learners developing their expressive arts skills as they engaged in the experiences delivered by the artists.





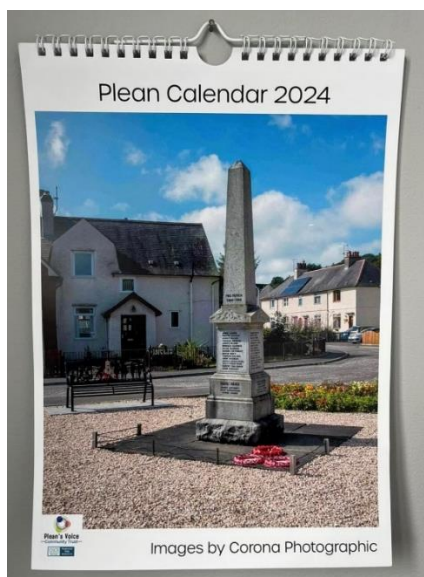
Cycling Without Age Scotland- William Simpson

Our Wellbeing Coaches were invited to attend the official launch of Cycling Without Age Scotland Trishaw Rides at William Simpson home on Thursday 26th October. One of our learners cut the ribbon for the first Trishaw Ride and East Plein learners tested the Trishaws. Trishaw rides are a fabulous innovation and will provide residents in William Simpson Care Home an excellent opportunity to enjoy the outdoors safely. If you would like to volunteer to be a Trishaw volunteer the contact details are as follows: 01324 467 272 info@cyclingwithoutage.scot or find out more about it www.cyclingwithoutage.scot
Thank you to William Simpson Care Home for inviting East Plein to participate in this exciting new venture.



Plean's Voice Plean Calendar

A4 Plean Calendars are available to buy through Plean's Voice Facebook page. You can place orders on the page. Calendars cost £10. Each month has a photograph of our village.



Poppy Scotland

We will be selling poppies in school from Monday 6th November. Primary 7 House Captains will visit each class daily and learners will be invited to give a monetary donation and will receive a poppy. Please be aware we have a limited supply.

Children in Need

East Plean will be supporting Children in Need again this year. The fundraising day will be Friday 17th November. Tیره House will be organising and leading the fundraising activities that day. More information will follow about what children will be invited to wear and what we will be doing. Children will be able to bring monetary donations to school and nursery and parents/ carers can donate through Parentpay.

Community Cafe

Our Community café is open on the dates listed below. Our Baristas look forward to welcoming you to school to enjoy a cuppa and chat on the Wednesday mornings listed:

Wednesday 1st November 9.30am-10.30am
Wednesday 15th November 9.30am-10.30am
Wednesday 29th November 9.30am-10.30am
Wednesday 13th December 9.30am-10.30am



Dates for the Diary



Monday 6th November Parent Council Meeting 7pm
Tuesday 7th November Primary 5 Swimming begins at the Peak, Stirling
Wednesday 15th November Book Fayre arrives in school
Wednesday 15th November Primary 5 Fun in Athletics Event at Bannockburn High School
Thursday 16th November 1.30pm Hopscotch Pantomime, Cinderella, in school for Nursery- P7 learners (no cost to learners, subsidised from school funds)
Thursday 16th November Family Learning (Literacy) 5pm-6pm (invitations will follow shortly)
Wednesday 29th November Country Dancing Festival at the Peak, Stirling
Thursday 30th November Plean Christmas Tree Lights Switch on
Sunday 3rd December Parent Council/ Plean's Voice Christmas Fayre- in school

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