



East Plean Primary School and Nursery Newsletter

March 2024

Spring

The end of term is fast approaching, and as we look forward to the spring holiday, we reflect on the successes, achievements and activities of this term. Our young people are looking forward to the brighter, warmer days. With the generous donation from Parent Council, we look forward to making very good use of our playground for outdoor learning, play and challenges, using the materials purchased with the donation. Our Young Leaders of Learning are busy organising materials, setting up rotas and planning training sessions for all classes.

We have had many sporting achievements to celebrate this term: Primary 5 swimming, Primary 6 and 7 Cross Country and Primary 6 Bikeability training to name a few. Many of our learners have shared their personal sporting achievements with us and these are displayed proudly on our 'Successes and Achievements' wall in school.

We have supported Comic Relief by celebrating Red Nose Day, raising £187.51.

We celebrated World Book Day, with learners collaborating across the school to create a story, completing book quizzes and enjoying reading and listening to stories. Classes visited Plean library and welcomed residents from William Simpson Care Home to celebrate World Book Day together.

Our Pupil Progress Evenings were very well attended in February, with a 96% turnout. Thank you to parents/ carers for completing the feedback form and answering Primary 7's questions. The feedback will support our school improvement journey.

We have been fortunate to have Mr Shearer, our PE teacher, delivering PE to all classes this term. Mr Shearer finishes his block of teaching with us at the end of this term. We thank him for all he has brought to PE in East Plean this term. Primary 1 and nursery learners have also enjoyed music Kodaly sessions with Ms Cushing this term. Kodaly supports early literacy development and is much-valued in East Plean. We thank Ms Cushing for her enthusiasm and delivery this term.

As parents/ carers would see during Pupil Progress Meetings, all our learners have been making very good progress with writing this session. We are proud of the hard work and determination our learners have shown across all areas of the curriculum. We look forward to sharing numeracy progress at our Sharing Learning event in May.

It has been a busy and successful term. Our learners are developing skills for learning, life and work and they continue to demonstrate our school values in word and action in school and nursery. We continue to encourage our young people to embrace and recognise how important core values are for positive personal development and how they will support them to achieve their aspirations. #powerofPlean

Mrs. R. Donnelly (Headteacher)

Successes and Achievements

Primary 6 Short Film Club artwork is currently displayed in the Balfour Centre. Thank you to Macrobert for running our Film Club and developing our learners' interest in film and art further.





East Plean Successes and Achievements Wall, where learners' extra-curricular achievements and awards are shared.



Primary 4 used Google forms to democratically select their choice of door design for World Book Day.

Residents from William Simpson joined us for World Book Day!
Reading in the sunshine!



Primary 1 and 2 enjoyed their visit to Plean Library as part of our Reading celebration for World Book Day.



Dates for the Diary

Wednesday 27th March 2pm End of term service in Plean Church (Primary 6 leading)

Thursday 28th March School closes at 3.15pm, nursery closes at 6pm for spring holiday

Monday 8th April Nursery reopens for summer term

Monday 15th April School reopens for summer term.

Monday 15th April Primary 7 Forth Valley College STEM Outreach project

Tuesday 23rd April Primary 6 Forth Valley College STEM Outreach project

Thursday 25th April Parent Council Spring Fling Parties

Wednesday 1st May Primary 5 Bikeability session in school

Friday 3rd May Staff Development Day- **School and Nursery closed**

Monday 6th May **School and Nursery closed** for May holiday

Thursday 9th May Sharing Learning Session Primary 1-7 "Numeracy" **6-7pm**

Monday 13th May Parent Council Meeting **7pm**

Tuesday 14th May Primary 5 Excursion- more information to follow

Thursday 16th May Primary 6 Excursion- more information to follow

Friday 17th May 11am Primary 2 Assembly for Parents/ Carers



Parent Council Meetings 2024:

Monday 13th May 7pm

Monday 3rd June 7pm

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Parent Council Events

Thursday 25th April Primary 1-7 Spring Fling Parties



Primary 1-4 Party 5.45pm-7pm

Primary 5-7 Party 7.15pm-8.45pm

Volunteers to help at the parties would be very welcome. If you are able to help, please contact the school office. Thank you.

Community Café



Our Community Café is returning for 2024. Our Baristas look forward to serving you from 9.30am-10.30am on the following dates:

Wednesday 27th March

Wednesday 24th April

Wednesday 8th May

Wednesday 22nd May