FALLA HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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| Newsletter 2  4th October 2019  I’ve been spending some more time in classrooms over the past two weeks and it has been pleasing to see just how many of our pupils are keen to learn and want to try their best.  I’ve observed P3 doing dictionary work, P7 working on their talk 4 writing skills and imitating a non-chronological report – which was great to see. I had the pleasure of teaching P6 some Maths and P5 PE; I’ve observed Art in P4, PE in P2 and a whole raft of different learning activities in P1. As well as this I have seen our Brass players and the children working with Mrs Wells. There is such a huge breadth of activity in school; it is sometimes hard to keep up. |
| ALDI KIT 4 SCHOOLS  We are collecting the vouchers for ALDI’s kit 4 schools campaign, every sticker counts – we need to collect 300 to complete the poster.  Primary School entrants will receive a new Sports Kit and a new entry into the prize draw, for each completed poster. If you shop at ALDI please do remember to collect the stickers.  In the best BBC style, there are other supermarkets available and we don’t expect anyone to change their supermarket just for us. |
| **Fantastic @ Falla Hill**  A huge well done to our P6 pupils who took part in the Whitburn Primary Schools Cross Country. Over 100 pupils took part and we had some considerable success.  Finlay came 3rd in the boys’ race and Amy D came 9th in the girls’, these are two fantastic achievements considering how many boys and girls were running. Well done P6!  Maci in P7 also took part in a race this week against 68 other girls and came 9th, well done Maci. |

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| PE KIT  PE is an incredibly important part of the curriculum offer at Falla Hill. The Scottish government expects us to deliver 2 hours of PE every week for every class. This means that all children need to take part in PE (we know there will sometimes be medical exceptions), unfortunately quite a lot of our children are coming without PE kit, without the correct footwear or with inappropriate kit.  Points to note:   * Remember to send your child in with PE kit on their PE days * Check or ask them to check that trainers/plimsolls have made it into their bag * **Crop tops** are not appropriate PE kit, nor are the tie up T-shirts popular with some pupils at present.   Our PE kit expectations are: In the gym, children are asked to wear shorts, T-shirt and gym shoes or trainers that do not mark the floor. |
| Achievement Assembly  We will be sending out letters linked to our achievement assembly – this will be on Friday 11th October. It will be great to hear about the wider achievements of our pupils: from super judo moves, to fantastic swimmers or disco dancers. We want to hear about these achievements!  As a school we will also be selecting pupils for our Turquoise Certificates – these will be given for attainment or progress that is above and beyond expectations, each teacher will be encouraged to identify 2 or 3 pupils whose learning or development has been out of the ordinary. |
| |  |  | | --- | --- | | Parent Council  We have some parent council events coming up soon, if any parents are PVG checked, or would like to be PVG checked please do let the parent council know. You can email direct to [ruthgallowayblair@hotmail.com](mailto:ruthgallowayblair@hotmail.com) or to [malcmclean@sky.com](mailto:malcmclean@sky.com) – your support will be greatly appreciated.  Film night – 4th October  Halloween Disco – 30th October  The Parent Council would also like to let the school community know that we will be supporting the fundraising efforts to ensure that Fauldhouse has a Christmas Tree – this will be on the 1st of November – details to follow | ***Head Lice***  *An information leaflet for parents and carers is on Ipay Impact.*  *If you would like a paper copy please contact the school office.*  *Please be vigilant in checking your child’s hair. Thank you for supporting us with this.* | |

***Dates for your diary***

**DATES FOR OTHER SCHOOL EVENTS WILL BE ADDED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, PLEASE CHECK THE NEWSLETTER EACH MONTH.**

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| Parent Council – Film Night | Friday 4th October |
| Parent Consultations - Late | Monday 7th October |
| Parent Consultations - Early | Tuesday 8th October |
| Achievement Assembly | Friday 11th October |
| End of term | Friday 11th October |
| **In-service day- staff only** | **Monday 21st October** |
| All resume | Tuesday 22nd October |
| Flu Vaccinations | Tuesday 22nd October |
| Hallowe’en disco | Wednesday 30th October.  P1-3 4-5.30pm  P4-P7 5.45-7.15pm. |
| Fauldhouse Christmas Tree fundraising | Friday 1st November |
| Children in Need | Friday 14th November |
| Christmas fair | Friday 6th December 9am-10am |
| Nursery Nativities am and pm | Tuesday 10th December times tbc |
| Carol Concert P4 – P7 | Wednesday 11th December – afternoon |
| Nativity P1 – P3 | Wednesday 11th December - evening |
| Nativity P1 – P3 | Thursday 12th December – afternoon |
| Carol Concert P4 – P7 | Thursday 12th December – evening |
| P3-5 Christmas parties | Monday 16th December 1.15-3pm |
| P6 & 7 Christmas disco | Monday 16th December 5.30-7.30pm |
| Nursery Christmas parties am and pm | Wednesday 18th December with special visitor-times tbc |
| P1-P2 Christmas party | Wednesday 18th December 1.15-3pm with special visitor (time tbc) |
| End of term and Christmas service in the church. | Friday 20th December  Church service: 9.30am |
| All resume | **Tuesday 7th January 2019** |
| Health week | Monday 30th March - Friday 3rd April |
| Parents’ consultations | Wednesday 1st April - Late |
| Parents’ consultations | Thursday 2nd April - Early |
| End of term and Easter service in the church | Friday 3rd April.  Church service: 9.30am |
| All resume | Monday 20th April |
| HOLIDAY | Monday 4th May |
| All resume | **Wednesday 6th May** |
| P7 camp at Kingswood | Monday 13th May – Friday 17th May |
| Reports to parents | Friday 12th June |
| P7 leavers’ assembly | Friday 19th June 9am |
| End of term | Friday 28th June |

Comment slip (this can be anonymous if you prefer)

Pupil’s name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please feel free to comment on any item in the newsletter or anything else regarding the school. We always value your feedback on how we can improve.

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