

## Dates for Your Dairy

6 <sup>th</sup> March	P7 Risk Factory
10 <sup>th</sup> March	P6/7 assembly 10.00am
15 <sup>th</sup> March	School open afternoon 1.30pm Nursery pop in and play
23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Parents Night
30 <sup>th</sup> March	Church Service 1.30pm
31 <sup>st</sup> March	Easter Holiday starts Mrs Ross leaving
18 <sup>th</sup> April	All back to school
21 <sup>st</sup> April	Celebration Assembly
28 <sup>th</sup> April	P3 Assembly

### COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

If you have any comments or suggestions to make about anything you have read in this newsletter or about Mid Calder Primary in general I am always keen to hear them. Please do not hesitate to contact us. Schools in West Lothian have been advised of changes which have been made to the West Lothian Complaints Procedure. To make a complaint to Customer Care in West Lothian in writing it should be addressed to: Customer Care (Education Services), West Lothian Council, Civic Centre, Livingston EH54 6FF. Tel: 0800 328 5143

# Mid Calder Primary Newsletter February / March 2017



## Believe, Achieve and Succeed

Dear Parents / Carers,

Here we are with Easter almost upon us and what a busy term we have had so far!

Many classes have been out on field visits to enhance their learning and build on previous knowledge and understanding of the topics they have been exploring. We have had very enjoyable assemblies where the children have then demonstrated this knowledge through interesting and fun presentations.

We are also very proud to let you know that our Peer Mediation Team were put forward for the Stellar Awards in conjunction with West Lothian Council Education Services and were chosen as overall winners for their category. A huge well done to them!

Many children have also reached the stage when they are achieving their I – Achieve bronze and silver awards, again a huge well done to them. Please keep up to date with all learning and happenings at our school through Mid Calder school blog.

*Mary McKenzie*



Following on from our taster session from Google at the end of last term, we have recently purchased a set of 10 Virtual Reality headsets. These can be used with most smart phones using the 'Expeditions' app. Google Expeditions takes children on virtual trips all over the world, allowing them to get up close with historical landmarks, dive underwater with sharks and even visit outer space!

This is an exciting new use of Bring Your Own Device that we are looking forward to exploring.

To continue to enhance this provision in school within the upper stages, we are now looking for old phones to be donated to help to support this.

Thank you Miss Sherlow

## NEW TEACHER

We have been extremely fortunate to secure a new member of staff for our school, Mrs L Walker. She is an experienced teacher within our own authority and has had experience of teaching across all stages. We look forward to welcoming her on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2017

## Nut Allergy

Please continue to consider our children with nut allergies and avoid sending snacks to school with your child that contains nuts. Thank you



## Curriculum Rational

### Our School Vision Statement

All members of our learning community **'Believe'** in themselves and thus **'Achieve'** the best they can which will ultimately enable them to **'Succeed'** in all they do.

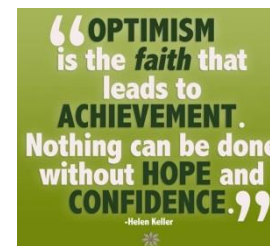
**Believe in yourself, Achieve your best, Succeed in all you do.**

Our new updated Curriculum Rational will be posted on our school blog. Thank you to all parents who took part in the parental consultation for the completion of this document.

## Breakfast Club

It would be extremely helpful if you could please drop your child at the front door for breakfast club. We have one or two children who get upset when parents leave them in the hall and we are hoping if they are dropped off at the door this will break this cycle.

Thank you for your help with this.



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