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Dear Parents and Carers,

Once again it has been a busy few days here at Mid Calder...

Well done to our 4 P6 pupils who attended the Euro Quiz last Friday morning. Special thanks to Miss Anderson for arranging this event - we didn't win but the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves!

Congratulations also to our Burns Celebration children: Leah, Fraser, Oliver, Freya, Aidan, Libby and Ethan who attended Wednesday night's event at St. Kentigens Academy They were absolutely fantastic! Special congratulations to Oliver who was runner up. Thanks also to Mrs. Ramsay for supporting them at this important cultural event. We are delighted that Leah who won and Fraser, who was runner respectively, will represent the school at the National Event in May.

The children thoroughly enjoyed our World Book Day today wearing lots of colourful costumes based on a book character they wish to be when they grow up. Check out our photos on Twitter.

Speaking of Twitter, we were delighted that Tom Fletcher responded favourably to our recent P3 video. The children (and staff) were thrilled to bits! West Lothian Council has requested to show the video at the forthcoming PEF conference. So P3, your fame continues to spread far and wide!

I have contacted our Community Police Officer concerning the parking outside the school. We are very concerned for the safety for all our pupils leaving and entering the school at peak times – especially at the end of the day. May I request once again that motorists do not block the car park entrance, park on the Zig Zag lines or park on the grass verge. Please take note that our young children are very vulnerable and visibility is greatly reduced by the number of cars in this vicinity. Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

Staff have noticed that increasingly children are bringing less healthy snacks into school at break. Why not ask your children to consider giving up sugar for lent this year and bring in a piece of fruit instead?

At the end of next week, we will be having the car park and some entrance paths resurfaced with tarmac. Hopefully this will be completed with minimal disruption. I am sure you will find these building improvements a welcome change to our school.

We are recently aware that the back road in Spottiswoode Gardens will be closed on Monday. This may well cause even more congestion at the front of the school entrance. It may be best to try to walk to school on this day! Staff will try to be out in the front to support children entering the building more quickly.

A reminder that our school has an inspection team here next week.

I am sure they will enjoy meeting our children and staff in order to share their learning.

Please continue to keep an eye out for our most recent blogs. Please note the new URL: <a href="https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/wl/midcalderps/">https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/wl/midcalderps/</a>

Thank you once again for your kind support,

Kind regards,

Hazel Thurlow