



ROYAL MILE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY/ MARCH 2017

Playground

It is FINALLY here! A big thank you to the parents and friends of Royal Mile Primary School, Parent Councillors and Pupil Council for their donations, fundraising and determination to make a playground that our boys and girls want to play in. A few Health and Safety issues to get addressed and then.... We look forward to some energetic, healthy risk managed play!

However, there is more to come and we will keep you up to date with the next steps and plans!

WORLD BOOK DAY 2nd March

The boys and girls will be busy making books, sharing favourite books and telling and writing tales of all sorts on the day.

Primary 5/6 would like to invite parents and carers to come along and join in a BOOK BLITZ Event at 2.15pm until 2.50pm in the Dining Room. Bring along your favourite book to our Book Café and share a cuppa and a chat with other parents and carers.

Donations will go to P6 Camp Pocket Money fund for next year.

LIBRARY TIDY 1st March 2 – 3pm

Mrs McGlashan will be in the library and would welcome some helpers to tidy and sort out stock! Even if you only have 10 minutes before pick up we would really be grateful – many hands make light work!

And if you are interested.....Parent Librarians

We would like to open our library to classes and individuals during the school day so that children can read for enjoyment, research personal topics or complete homework tasks. This would require helpers to undergo a Protection of Vulnerable Groups check, undertake training and follow the volunteers code of conduct. We would be looking for a regular and long term time commitment. If you are interested in coming to chat informally about this please make an appointment with Mrs Jessop.

P7 - Benmore Residential Information Meeting Monday 13th March

This meeting will take place in Preston Street Primary School from 6.30pm – 7pm. Information about the practical arrangements and what's on offer at Benmore during the children's stay will be discussed.

Parent Consultations March 23rd

Appointments will be sent out shortly. We will make every effort to alter appointments if they are unsuitable but you must speak to the school office in good time. Please could parents remember that they must supervise their children during this event. Could parents also note that food and drink should not be brought into the hall.

WELL DONE PUPIL COUNCIL

The recent Number Day to raise money for NSPCC organised by the Pupil Council raised £78 and was great fun. Watch out for their next events.

Art Gallery Opening

Another fantastic event organised by our Art Reps and Miss Murray. It is great to see works from so many talented and enthusiastic artists in our own school and Preston Street. If you were not able to attend and would like a tour I am sure the Gallery Guides could accommodate you, just make an appointment at the office.

Jackets

Children who do not have a school jacket will have to stay in at playtimes on those days when it is cold and rainy. The weather in Scotland is very changeable and it is important to be prepared. Whenever possible we will send children out to play and enjoy the fresh air. There are also trips and visits as part of the curriculum that we would hate your child to miss out on.



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Shoes

Please could I remind parents that children are busy and active at school – both indoors and out! Many pupils are wearing shoes that are in poor condition and ill- fitting and certainly not suitable for gym. Where possible we will replace from the stock we keep but please if we send you an email or note about your child's indoor shoes could you look into replacing them. Also ballet slippers are cute, trainers with laces untied are cool but both tend to slip or fall off when children are playing or walking on trips! Please could children come to school in suitable footwear so they are safe!

Pre-Owned Uniform Sale

Shoes and jackets are also available in this sale! Donations are always gratefully received! Next Sale: Friday 3rd March 2017 9 – 9.30am.

Parent Council.

The PC meets with school staff each term. We also meet for a chat on the first Wednesday of the month, just after drop off, at Serenity Cafe. Come and find out more! Next meeting: Wed 1st Mar.

Blogs

Each class now has a blog, accessed through the school website:

<https://royalmileprimary.com>, which will have class news, homework information and other news for you and your child to share. Please do take a look!

Growth Mindset

Each class has a display of their 7 Mindset Heroes in the hall at the front of the school. Information can be found on the web and most particularly some interesting talks by Carol Dweck on TED

[talkshttps://www.ted.com/talks/carol_dweck_the_power_of_believing_that_you_can_improve?language=en](https://www.ted.com/talks/carol_dweck_the_power_of_believing_that_you_can_improve?language=en), if you would like to find out more. We hope that you will also discover the power of the word YET!

Dates for Your Diary

MARCH

Wednesday 1 st	Library Tidy Drop In 2 – 3pm. Please come to the school office.
Thursday 2 nd	World Book Day - Book Blitz Café 2.25 – 2.45pm
Friday 3 rd	Pre Owned Uniform Sale 9 – 9.30am
Monday 6 th	P4/5 Showcase Assembly 2pm and visit to classroom afterwards
Monday 13 th	Reflection Assembly
Monday 13 th	P7 Benmore information evening Preston Street Primary School 6.30 – 7pm
Thursday 23 rd	Parent Consultation 3.30 – 5.30/ 6- 8pm
Monday 27 th – Friday 31 st	P7 Camp Benmore
Monday 27 th	Primary 6 Showcase Assembly – P7 Aspirations

Friday 31st March SCHOOL AND NURSERY CLOSE AT USUAL TIMES FOR EASTER BREAK

Tuesday 18th APRIL SCHOOL AND NURSERY OPEN AT USUAL TIMES