



ROYAL MILE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

MAY 2017

HEALTH WEEK May 8th to 12th.

We are looking forward to seeing lots of parents and carers at the various events during the week. Even if you only join us to start your day with some fun wake up moves I am sure you will feel the benefit!

Please keep an eye on the board at the front of the school for any last minute changes.

Support your child by signing their **CHALLENGE CARD** and join them in some healthy activities.

12th Sports Day – please come to Queen’s Park 9.30am to support everyone and have fun. Children may wear sports kit – no football strips – and bring water/ sunhat etc. as necessary. In the event of bad weather we will postpone and try another date. We will inform you by text on THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

25th Nursery Sports Day – details from early years’ team.

PE KIT and indoor Shoes

We encourage all our pupils to dress safely for PE and to keep a bag with kit on their peg.

Children should not wear PE kit to school, even on Fridays. They are welcome to borrow kit and shoes and hang on to them for as long as they need. These can be found in the open area and staff are always happy to help. Hair bands for long hair are also available from the school office and jewellery is best left at home safely. PE is part of the Curriculum for Excellence and so if your child is unable to take part in a PE session they should have a written note from you.

WELL DONE PUPIL COUNCIL who have worked so hard this year. They have been thinking hard about events and decided on a healthy and inclusive activity for this term, and with Mr Forde’s support they have been organising a ‘Make a Fruit Salad’ orienteering experience with buddies during Health Week. They will be gathering feedback from classes on the work of the school and contributing to the review of the year and improvement planning for next year.

Pre Owned Uniform Sale

Shoes and jackets are also available in this sale! Donations are always gratefully received!

Next Sale: Tuesday June 6th and then Tuesday June 20th at 9- 9.30am.

We are looking at changing our supplier to TESCO as their prices and delivery arrangements are more competitive. Please look out for information on this.

Equity Funding

I am sure you will have read with interest the recent information about this additional funding for schools that is designed to support raising attainment in literacy, numeracy and health and wellbeing for all pupils but especially those in need. We have asked you to tell us your ideas and views to help us plan for an effective and supportive intervention to benefit the school community over the next 4 years. Please return your forms to the school by **THURSDAY 11th May.**

Nursery Hours

There is consultation happening right now on changes to nursery hours to accommodate the 1140 hour entitlement, forms are to be returned to the nursery by **FRIDAY 12th May.** We are lucky enough to be in Phase 1 and will be implementing changes this August. Parents can still choose to take the 600 hours and the pattern of attendance offered will be confirmed as soon as consultation is complete

Ramadan

Please can we ask that parents let us know if their child wishes to observe Ramadan by fasting. We will make a quiet area available for rest and prayers at breaks for those children wishing to observe this special time.

Parent Council.



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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! .

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!

Playground..... ongoing work!

A few Health and Safety issues remain to be addressed but these are well in hand.... We look forward to some energetic, healthy risk managed play!

The plans for the next phase – a quiet area are with the authority and we await their approval shortly so work can begin on this area too.

Dates for Your Diary

May

8th HEALTH WEEK - lots of activities and events to come along to.

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15th Monday 2pm Primary 1 Showcase Assembly and classroom visit

West Door opens at 1.50pm. Please leave the classroom at 2.50pm.

22nd LOCAL HOLIDAY - SCHOOL AND NURSERY CLOSED

25th Nursery Sports in Dunbar Close

31st P6 Transition event at Skelf/ Holyrood Park. Details to follow

JUNE

Week of 5th - Environmental Awareness Week

5th 2pm Eco Group Assembly- parents and carers welcome,
west door opens at 1.50pm

6th New Primary 1 visits 9.15am

16th June Gala Day - details to follow

School Fair 12.45 - 2.30pm

20th New Primary 1 visits 9.15am

20,21,22nd P7 Transition to High School Visits

28th Whole School Outing - details to follow

29th Celebrating Achievement Ceremony 2pm

west door opens at 1.50pm

30th Nursery Graduation 11am

30th P7 Leavers Ceremony 10.45am

west door opens at 10.30am

SCHOOL and NURSERY CLOSE FOR HOLIDAYS AT 12 NOON.

SCHOOL AND NURSERY REOPEN ON AUGUST 16th 2017

School holiday dates are available on City of Edinburgh Council website.