



ROYAL MILE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2017

Blogs

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

<https://royalmileprimary.com>. These have a summary of the term and information about homework and activities.

In addition there are displays at the front of the school showing each classes WOW (work of wonder) and a summary of the month. Pictures of all our Class reps – Health, Eco, Art and Pupil Councillors are all there.

Congratulations to our new House and Vice House Captains!

Following some hard fought campaigns and great speeches voting was very close and finally we have some excellent representatives for each house.

Parliament Pandas – Sophie and Amber

Arthur's Seat Dragons –Aisha and Saif

Castle Lions –Lacey and Rose- Niamh

Holyrood Royals - Skye and Malika

Parent Council Autumn Term O.G.M' 30th October 2017 at 3.30pm

Please check notice board for agenda. Minutes for previous meeting will be available on request & at meeting. Play Rangers will be available to supervise pupils during the meeting.

Any queries, please contact royalmileparentcouncil@gmail.com

Pupil Council

Our Pupil Councillors have been busy already finding out about ideas for the playground, thinking about charities they would like to support and more details will follow. The Pupil Councillors are also putting a box in Go Outdoors to collect outgrown wellies. We especially need sizes 4 – 7 for our older classes.

What a busy month September was!

Maths Week: P7, P6 and P4 had an opportunity to visit Heriot Watt University and Edinburgh University. Many parents came to join in the class events and enjoy maths activities with their children. Another chance to see Learning Powers being used. Find out more on the web and most particularly some interesting talks by Carol Dweck on TED talks.

Primary 6 and Primary 7 have been using the Craggs Sports Centre to get ready for the citywide Sportshall Games.

Classes have been out to visit Lauriston Castle (P6) and Edinburgh Castle (P1/2).

P5 are training as Play Champions and thinking about applying to be Dynamites.

Walking Bus Meeting October 5th at 9 am

Arriving late for school is not a happy experience and affects many children's ability to settle and focus, as well as disrupting learning and teaching. We have a coffee morning chat to look at the possibility of having our own walking bus to support families and get children to school safely and on time.

You Have Mail!

Look out for a special delivery in the week of October 9th

Parent Consultations

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, including Starbucks and snacks. If you are unable to attend for any reason please contact the school office. Thank you.

Homework and Homework Club

Look out for letters in your child's bag before the holidays for our Wednesday Homework Club which will start after the holidays. Older pupils also have the opportunity to finish homework at ERIC time if they speak to their teacher and we can support pupils to access Education City in school if they have trouble doing so at home. **PLEASE SIGN YOUR CHILD'S HOMEWORK.**



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Christmas Celebrations

As in years past we are again offering a live theatre performance in the school and a celebration. The cost this year will be £10 per child, £5 for nursery children. We are happy to take payment in instalments over the next term, full payment must be received by 8th December. **All payments must be made using ParentPay.** Please speak to Mrs Jessop if you have any questions.

Assemblies

It was great that so many of our families came along to the launch of our 'Building Resilience' programme and that you are all supporting your child with the family homework task.

The dates: 4th October, 29th October, 14th March, 31st May, 6th December are our reflection assemblies, when we think about ideas about humanity and beliefs with respect and interest. Parents who wish to withdraw their child should let the school office know and alternative activities will be provided

Jackets

Children who do not have a wet weather jacket, not a hoodie, 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.

Pre-Owned Uniform Sale

Shoes and jackets are also available in this sale! Donations are always gratefully received! Next Sale: October 6th 2017 9 – 9.30am.

Head Lice – A Community Problem

We have unfortunately become aware that there are some cases of head lice in school. Please do check your child's hair regularly and seek advice on treatments from your Medical Practice Nurse or Pharmacist. Remember to treat the whole family and wash bedding, hats etc. as well. Regular combing with ordinary conditioner and a comb from the chemist can also clear and help prevent this problem. Long hair should be tied back as well.

Dates for Your Diary

October

5th Walking Bus Coffee Morning 9 – 9.30am (main entrance)

6th Pre Owned Uniform Sale 9 – 9.30am (main entrance)

12th 3.30-8pm Parent Consultations

Friday 13th school and nursery close at usual times

Tuesday 24th School and Nursery open at usual times

29th Jacobites Day at Holyrood Palace

November

1st New P1 Open Day – for August 2018 starts

1st 1.45pm – 2.35pm P4 Showcase Assembly and Classroom Visits.

West Door opens at 1.40pm

6th Registration for P1 2018, Monday and Wednesday 9.30am onwards or call for an appointment



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13th week of Travelling Book Fair

15th P1/2 Showcase Assembly and Classroom Visit

20th Road Safety Week

23rd Early St Andrews Celebration 6 – 7.15pm

24th Walking Bus Road Safety Event – 11.15am, Parents and Carers are invited to join us

28th Scottish Assembly 2pm and Classroom Visits – please come and join us!