



ROYAL MILE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2018

What a busy month February proved to be!

Interfaith Harmony Week – we were so pleased to see many parents and carers come along to share the learning with all our classes about world faiths and beliefs. On the Head Teachers Blog you can read some of the comments and feedback we received but it was agreed our pupils were excellent at communicating their learning to others.

Internet Safety – we ran workshops for parents and carers with their children because we felt everybody needed to be aware of how to stay safe and have the same information. Again feedback from these sessions can be found on the Head Teachers Blog and resources to help are on our website.

Art Gallery – the café and tours were really busy this year and the compliments received from visitors and exhibitors was excellent. Sadly we were not quite ready to open the wonderful ‘Dear Future’ installation in the playground. P7 are busy getting prepared for this so please respect their hard work and do not let children play on this. More news to follow on an opening date! We have to say a huge thank you to the Art Group. They were amazing!

Eco Group - Fair Trade assembly and Tuck shop. Again we need to thank this fantastic pupil group for their research, organisation and presentation of these two events to raise awareness and promote fairtrade and ethical snacking!

World Book Day March 1st

Classes are already busy designing a fabulous ‘Guess the Book from this Door’ display which we hope parents will take time to look at when you come along to Parent Consultations. We also have an ‘Extreme Reading’ Challenge that staff have been taking part in and Miss Murray and Mr Davies have sent details of how parents can also take part. We will be publishing a school book of short stories and there will be lots of other book related activities (but not dressing up) and I am sure the Blog posts will be amazing.

Primary 7 Residential

We will be waving off our Primary 7s next week and we know they will have an amazing time. During this week Primary 6 will be allowed to take over privileges usually only enjoyed by P7 and the Vice House Captains will run a House Assembly.

Parent Council AGM

This will take place on 12th March at 3.30pm. More details from Parent Council and on their noticeboard in the playground.

Pupil Council Fundraiser

The pupil council after speaking with their classes have decided to support Toilet Twinning Day and Water Day together and promote access to clean water and hygienic toilets. I think they would also like to remind some of our boys and girls to be

Parent Consultations 22nd March

Appointments for these short discussions will be sent out to you on 7th March. We base our offer on previous choices but please do come to the school office as soon as possible if you need to alter these times. I am sure you will appreciate how tricky it can be to try to accommodate families and coordinate Support for Learning and EAL appointments as well. These are short conversations about learning and progress and a chance for you to look at your child’s work. Alternative appointments can be made via the school office/ telephone/ email or a note to the teacher for other discussions.

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.

Playground News! We have to thank Mr Jessop and Mr Mouat for their sterling work moving bark. Language Class 1 Boys now have the job of writing a code of conduct for this new quiet area and they will be opening it to the school within the next few days.



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The new art installation under the tree is looking great and we have to thank Mr. Stewart and Mr. Annis for their hard work preparing the area.

Pallet Garden Challenge is under way again. The classes have been challenged to grow something to eat – and will be presenting their dishes to the judges at our Gala Day on June 14th. I wonder if Primary 1 – now P1/2 can repeat their success from last year???

Staffing

Mr Forde is leaving Royal Mile to explore pastures new and take up a new challenge. I am sure everyone will join me in expressing appreciation for his contribution to the work and life of the school. Mr Forde's last day with us will be 15th March.

Mrs Brown will be nursery teacher until the summer term as well as continuing as our art specialist.

Parent/ Carer Survey

We have sent out a link so that this can be completed online. Paper copies are also available from the school office and these should be returned by Friday 16th March.

Dates for Your Diary

MARCH

1st World Book Day

5th – 9th P7 Residential Holiday

12th Parent Council AGM 3.30 – 4.30pm

13th, 20th, 27th P6 Transition Events (details to follow)

22nd Pupil Council Fundraiser

Parent Consultations 3.30 – 5.30/6 – 8pm

28th 2pm P6 Showcase Assembly and class visit

March 29th *SCHOOL and NURSERY CLOSE AT USUAL TIMES FOR HOLIDAYS.*

April 17th SCHOOL AND NURSERY REOPEN At USUAL TIMES

APRIL

18th International Day for Monuments and Sites – look out for an invitation from your child's class

Monday 23rd P4 swimming begins each week (letter will be sent in advance)

MAY

7th **Bank Holiday SCHOOL AND NURSERY CLOSED**

8th **INSERVICE DAY school and nursery closed for pupils**

9th and 10th **GENERATION SCIENCE SHOWS** for classes

15th Dental checks for P1 and P7 (letters will be sent in advance)

15th International Day of Families – details to follow

15th, 22nd, 29th P6 Transition Events (details to follow)

16th **2pm** P1 Showcase Assembly and Classroom visit

21st **bank holiday SCHOOL AND NURSERY CLOSED**

Please look out for further information and be aware that dates may change.