



# ROYAL MILE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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### **What a busy month September proved to be!**

#### **Social Evening**

It was great to welcome so many parents/carers and families to this fun evening. The entertainment was excellent, thank you again to Ian Willis and Archie, the food was great and the dancing was energetic! All in all a good start to the school year.

**Maths Week:** Please take the time to look at the display in the corridor from the West Door and see all the activities children took part in.

#### **2050 Vision Classroom Visit**

Thank you to all the parents and carers who came along and took part in this activity. We have some great displays going up in the West Door corridor in our new picture frames.

#### **Display at Office**

Classes are just posting their WOW work and monthly news page in the corridor by the office so please take a look. There is also a photo of some of our ECO reps helping to launch the 'refill a bottle' day.

#### **Clubs and Activities**

As well as the Active Schools Clubs we will again be running a variety of clubs during the school day and after it. These will include guitar, needlecraft, art, recycled arts, bikeability, Glee Club, Choir, Reading group... We hope to offer a variety of clubs for all ages across the session. Please look out for letters and sign up as soon as possible!

#### **Late Arrivals**

Please try to ensure your child arrives at school between 8.40am and 8.50am. The first bell at 8.45am alerts children that it is time to start lining up and for adults to leave the playground. Classes will start to go into school as soon as the 8.50am bell has rung.

Being late into class can be very distressing for children and they miss an important part of their day when they find out what is happening and look at the timetable together. It also disrupts the learning and teaching in the classroom for others.

On wet days we will open the WEST DOOR at 8.40am and children should come into the hall and line up there.

#### **Coats and Shoes.**

Now the weather has changed children should have a coat with them every day. This means they can get out to play and not have to sit inside or miss out on trips. Children should also have shoes that they can wear outside in winter weather. We are able to sometimes lend some coats and wellies, but everyday wear is limited.

**October 31<sup>st</sup> Winter Celebrations Morning.** Children will work in House Groups enjoying craft and activities about celebrations from around the world. Please note that we will not be dressing up for Hallowe'en.

#### **November**

We plan to have a Scottish Focus across the school so lots of traditions and activities from Scotland will be going on. This will include being out and about so please send children dressed for the weather. On 30<sup>th</sup> at 11.15am we will be holding a St Andrew's Day learning fair and we hope you will come along, visit the stalls and hear and see everything the classes have been learning.

During this month we will also have Road Safety Week and Friendship Week so please look out for a range of activities and events that we hope you will join us for.

The Travelling Book Fair is also in school for a week and it is a great way to buy Christmas gifts and help the school raise money for our library.

#### **Parent Council**

We are approaching the holiday season and I wonder if there are parents/ carers who would support the children in raising some funds and organising some events? If you would like to



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be part of an informal group for this perhaps you could contact Mrs Jessop via the school office or use the parent council email and we will get a chat set up?

[royalmileparentcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:royalmileparentcouncil@gmail.com)

### Dates for Your Diary

#### OCTOBER

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2pm Being Resilient Assembly.** All parents and carers are invited to come along and find out more about this year's assemblies and homework tasks. West Door opens at 1.55pm.

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> at 3.30- 5.30pm & 6 - 8pm Parent Consultations** If you are unable to make your appointment please let the school office know as soon as possible.

Parents with children in Early Years should make appointments directly with Staff Team.

**FRIDAY 12<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER SCHOOL and NURSERY CLOSE FOR HOLIDAYS AT USUAL TIMES.**

**TUESDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> OCTOBER 2018 SCHOOL and NURSERY REOPEN AT USUAL TIMES.**

26<sup>th</sup> 9 – 9.30am Pre Owned Uniform Sale in open area.

#### NOVEMBER

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> at 2pm P4 Showcase Assembly and Classroom visit.** West Door opens at 1.55pm

**8<sup>th</sup> Tempest School Photographer in school** - Children who attend Early Years and School will have photographs taken, both individual and brothers and sisters together.

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> Friendship Week**

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> 2pm 'Walk a Mile in My Shoes'.** Please join us for a walk and a chat as we learn more about each other.

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Flu Vaccinations** - for those with completed permission slips.

**19<sup>th</sup> Road Safety Week**

Travelling Book Fair in school - look out for posters advising times.

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> 11.15am St. Andrew's Day Learning Fair**

11.45 - 12.15am Pre owned Uniform Sale open area

#### DECEMBER

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> 2 pm.** P 1 - 3 will perform a seasonal show to parents/ carers at West Door opens at 1.55pm

**19<sup>th</sup>** In School performance of traditional tale Dick Whittington by M& M Theatre Company

**20<sup>th</sup> 9.15am** A Royal Mile Tradition - Singing on the stairs, please come and join us.

**2pm** Come along to the Kirk and celebrate the end of 2018.

**21<sup>st</sup>** Celebrations in classes

**21<sup>st</sup> December SCHOOL AND NURSERY CLOSE AT NOON**



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**SCHOOL AND NURSERY REOPEN ON JANUARY 9<sup>th</sup> 2019 AT USUAL TIMES>**

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