



Mossheadlines

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents/ Carers

We have had another busy term with lots of events and exciting learning opportunities. Our 'Sharing the Learning Events' have started with P1 sharing their fantastic learning about Katie Morag in Feb and P3 sharing their learning about Knights and Castles this week. Dates for the other classes are at the end of the newsletter and we look forward to seeing as many people as possible.



As Easter is late this year we are having a Spring Service on Friday, 29 March at 9.30am and everyone is welcome. Parents should note that the school will close at 2.30pm on Friday, 29 March and re-opens on Monday 15 April at 9.00am. The school is then closed again for the Easter Weekend on Friday 19th and Mon 22nd April.

Yours sincerely
Susan Yeoman
Head Teacher

Therapets

P7 undertook research about Therapets and then used this to write persuasive letters to Mrs Yeoman requesting a visit from a therapeut to find out more. The quality of the letters was excellent and we contacted Canine Concern to arrange a visit.

On Monday Willow and her handler James came to visit. Willow is a very laid back Old English Sheepdog. She regularly visits schools as a reading dog, where children can sit with her and read stories to her to help develop their reading skills.

James spoke to the whole school at assembly about the work that Therapets do. They then spent some time in each of the P7 classes discussing their work in more depth and answering the children's questions. P7s were thrilled to have had this opportunity.

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Follow your child's class story at Class Dojo – contact the school for details.



Digital Schools Award

We are delighted to have received our digital schools award and to get such a fantastic report from the external validator. This was emailed to all parents so you can see the quality digital experiences that your child gets at Mosshead.



Online Safety



We have had a major focus on online safety this month with assemblies, class lessons and input from the NSPCC and our community police officer. Lots of useful information and links have been shared with parents and carers to help you keep your child safe online.

Reports

Teachers have been working hard on writing pupil reports this term and we plan to have them with you by the end of March. These will give you a summary of learning so far which will complement the Learning Profiles. Next steps will be identified and you will have the opportunity to discuss these with teachers at the Parents' Nights in the final term.



Fairtrade



Our Fairtrade committee have been raising awareness of Fairtrade through class collages and other activities and through selling some Fairtrade goods over the past couple of weeks at their tuckshop and pop up shop. The catering staff are also organising a Fairtrade lunch menu.

House Days

In order for children to come together with their houses we have arranged 'House Activity Afternoons' for each stage of the school. House afternoons will be on Mon 18th March for P1-3, Tues 19th March for P6-7 and Friday 22nd March for P4-5. Teachers will plan various activities that each house can take part in. On those days children can wear their house colours if you wish (Bruce – blue, Burns – red, Livingstone – yellow, Wallace – Green).

Cycling

Ms Turnbull has been working with the Junior Road Safety Officers and Sustrans to pull together an extensive programme of cycling and scootering for next term. This will include sessions for P1s who need assistance with learning to ride a bike, cycle skills for P5, bikeability training for P6, led cycle rides for P7, ibike breakfast club session for P1-3 then P4-7 for those who ride, scooter or walk to school, Beep Beep Road Safety Day for P1-3 and a whole school Big Pedal Challenge Event! Details about all of these events and activities will follow from Ms Turnbull. We have also managed to get a donation of 30 scooters for the school to help support physical activity.



DATES TO REMEMBER



March	11	Football Tournament for selected pupils
	14	Growth Mindset assemblies and workshops (parents workshop – 2pm)
	15	P4 Sharing the Learning Event (2:10-2:50pm)
	18	House Afternoon – P1-3
	19	House Afternoon – P6-7
	19	P2 visit to Vikingar
	20	P6 Sharing the Learning Event (2:10-2:50pm)
	21	P5 Sharing the Learning Event (2:10-2:50pm)
	22	House Afternoon – P4-5
	22	PTA Family Bingo Night
	25	Netball and Football Festival for selected pupils
	25	Big Pedal Challenge starts – info to follow
	26	P7 Sharing the Learning Event (2:10-2:50pm)
	26	Parent Council Meeting
	27	Daffodil Tea – 1.30pm
28	P2 Sharing the Learning Event (2:10-2:50pm)	
29	Spring Service – 9.30pm	
29	School Closes for Spring Break – 2.30pm	
April	15	School Re-Opens
	16	ibike breakfast club P1-3 – info to follow
	17	P6 Trip to New Lanark
	18	ibike breakfast club P4-7 – info to follow
	19-22	School Closed for Easter weekend
	25	P7 Parents' Eve at Bearsden Academy
30	PTA Meeting – AGM – 6:30pm (all welcome)	

May	2	Hopscotch Theatre Group – Cyber Buddy (pm)
	3	Clean Up Scotland Day
	6	May Day Holiday
	7	Sports Day – tbc (weather permitting)
	10	Homefront Histories workshops – P7 pupils
	14	P6 Ardmay talk for parents – 2pm
	21	Parent Interviews – 3.30-6.30pm
	22	Parent Interviews – 3.30-6.30pm
	23	Inservice Day
	24-27	May Holiday Weekend
	28	New Entrants Teddy Bears Picnics
	29	Athletics Festival – selected pupils
	31	PTA School Discos
	June	4
6		Pre Entrant Programme – 10.15am
13		Pre Entrant Programme – 10am visit + taster lunch at 11am
13		P7 Induction Day – Bearsden Academy
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19		P7 Memories assembly
25		P4-7 Show – afternoon and evening
26		Winning House Party
26		Hopscotch Theatre Gp
27		End of Term Service – 9.30am
27	School Closes – 1.00pm	