

Oxgang Primary School Learning Together, Achieving Together, Respecting Each Other

Head Teacher's Update

Dear parents and carers

As you are aware, Mrs Yeoman has been appointed as Head Teacher of Mosshead Primary in Bearsden - all staff wish her luck in her new post. East Dunbartonshire Council are working with our Parent Council to advertise the vacant Head Teacher's post at Oxgang and I am delighted to be remaining in post while this process takes place. Mrs Adams and I will continue to work in partnership with you as parents and carers to provide high quality care and learning experiences for all of our pupils. We have a busy term ahead as the Easter holidays approach - please see dates opposite for further information about all the school events which are planned for the remainder of this term.

Scottish Concert

Many thanks to all who attended our Scottish Concert this month. The children shared examples of their learning through poetry, music and singing and I think you will agree it was fantastic. Our pupils enjoyed a Scottish treat (tea cakes and irn bru!) in between performances and I would like to thank all the teaching and support staff for their hard work in the lead up to this event. The money collected in donations will be used to support school trips and visits, as well as end of term treats for all pupils.





<u>Dates for your diary</u>

Friday 22nd February P5 enterprise challenge day Monday 25th February Primary 6 Assembly - family members welcome to attend Monday 25th February P6 & 7 Dancefest event - 4-6pm Friday 1st March Book Party for winning class (pm) Monday 4th March P6 start Fairtrade tuck shop Wednesday 6th March PTA Meeting - 6.30pm Thursday 7th March World Book Day celebrations Friday 8th March Primary 6 coffee afternoon invites to P6 parents to follow Monday 11th March Primary 3 Assembly- family members welcome to attend Wednesday 13th March Parent Council Meeting - 6.30pm Tuesday 19th March Special Person lunch - P3 and P4 Wednesday 20th March P4 and P5 trip to Vikingar Largs Friday 22nd March Pupil Council - End of Term treat Monday 25th March Achievement Assembly - 9am Wednesday 27th March Photographer in school Golden Tea Party Thursday 28th March Oxgang's Got Talent (1.30/6.30) Friday 29th March Winning House Party (pm) School finishes at 2.30 for Easter

Report cards will be issued to parents on 28th March.



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<u>Ski Trip to Abernethy –</u> January 2019

Primary 6 participated in the school's annual trip to Abernethy outdoor centre near Aviemore. Over the course of the week, the children took part in ski lessons on the centre's dry ski slope, as well as at the Lecht Ski Resort. All children achieved their level 1 or beyond in skiing. In the evenings, the children also took part in a range of other activities, including swimming and teambuilding. A wonderful week was had by all - it was the best weather we have ever had while away skiing! Staff are looking forward to taking the current Primary 5's to the centre next year!

Mrs Adams

World Book Day

This year we are looking forward to celebrating World Book Day. This will take place on **Thursday 7th March** where we are planning a whole day of fun for the children to celebrate the wonder of books and reading! Children are invited to come to school that day dressed as their favourite character from a book, as well as bringing their favourite book to school. Mrs Adams will provide more information about this event via Dojo very soon.

Homework survey

As you are aware, one of the main developments in our School Improvement Plan this session is our new Homework and Family Learning programme. As a way of helping parents and carers to support learning at home, we want to create some short videos which show you how we teach certain strategies in school, eg subtraction. Mrs Adams has launched a questionnaire on the school page of the class dojo. We are looking for suggestions for topics you would like to see covered. We hope to film these videos early next term (using our pupils as the stars) and get them uploaded to the school website. Please complete the survey by following the link on dojo - it will only take a couple of minutes.