



Dalry Primary Newsletter

January 2017

Staffing Update

Mrs Devlin has taken the decision to reduce her working hours to three days per week and consequently the P3/4/5 class in Dalry will benefit from what we believe will be a dynamic job share between Mrs Meredith (Mondays and Tuesdays) and Mrs Devlin (Wednesday to Friday) .

Transition arrangements for 7th February will allow the two staff members to work together with the class on that day. Mrs Meredith is already known to most as she did some work with Dalry pupils last year.

Christmas Fayre

A fantastic total of **£572.53** was raised on the day. Thank you to everyone who supported this event.

Lights, Camel, Action!

A DVD of the Christmas Concert is now available to order from the School Office for £3.

Burns Lunch

There will be a Primary Burns Supper held at lunchtime for the Primary pupils on Wednesday 1st February. Primary 7 pupils will help to organise the event and deliver the speeches.

Scots Verse Competition

We are holding a Scots Verse competition again this year. The winner from each stage will be given the opportunity to recite the poem at the Burns Lunch on the 1st February.

P7/S1 Transition

P7 pupils will continue to visit the secondary department every Thursday morning this term. The pupils will be undertaking Modern Languages, Science, and Technology plus be involved in a Play Leader course delivered by Mark Turner of Active Schools.

After School Clubs

David Steward, facilities assistant, has now taken over the Monday lunchtime club from Active Schools. Girls from P4 upwards now have the chance to play football on the MUGA.

Andy Marvelley, Active Schools, will be running his Active Achieving club for the Glenkens Cluster on a Wednesday in Dalry Hall. It will start on Wednesday 18th January and run for four weeks, the last session of this block being 8th February. The P1-3 session is from 3.30 – 4.30pm and P4-7 from 4.30– 5.30pm. The club is free of charge and will focus on a different sport/activity each week.

Primary Football After School Club for P5-7 pupils will continue again with David Steward coaching the pupils on a Wednesday from 3.30 – 4.30pm.

Mr Goodwin's Technology Club has started up again for P5-7 cluster pupils at Dalry School on a Thursday from 3.30 – 4.30pm.

Galloway Music Festival

All three classes will be performing in March at the festival as usual. P1/2 will be entering the Action Song / Singing Game classes, P3/4/5 will be entering the Ceilidh Group class and P5/6/7 will be entering the Music Making class.

P6/7 Feis Rois Workshops

The music tutors will return for another series of workshops on traditional music. This term the focus is once again learning to play the ukulele. The workshops run for 8 weeks, starting on 10th February.

Dates for the Diary

Wed 3 rd February	Primary Burns Lunch
Tues 7 th February	Internet Safety Day
Mon 13 th – Wed 15 th Feb	Mid- term holiday
Thurs 16 th February	P7 Primary Rotary Club Quiz at CDPS (team still to be chosen)
Thurs 23 rd February	Dental Inspections for P1 and P7 pupils
Thurs 23 rd & 24 th February	Cluster P5 outdoor residential to Carlingwark, Castle Douglas
Tues 28 th Feb & 2 nd March	Review of pupil targets set in November (details to follow)
Thurs 2 nd March	World Book Day (more details to follow)
Mon 6 th – Sat 11 th March	Galloway Music Festival
Fri 31 st March	Easter Assembly @ 10am, School Hall.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if there are any issues with the content of this newsletter.

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