



## **Dalry Primary Newsletter**

**October 2015**

### **Staffing**

Mrs Alison Duncan, who taught both the P5/6/7 and P1/2 classes, has left for another job in East Ayrshire. Mrs Turner will now teach the P1/2 class for the whole week for the rest of this session. Miss Frances Peacock will be covering the P5/6/7 class one day per week.

### **Harvest Thanksgiving Assembly**

Just a reminder that the Harvest Assembly is this Friday at 10am in the School Hall. Each class, including the Nursery, will perform a short musical item. This will be followed by tea and coffee. We hope you can all make it and we look forward to seeing you there.

Every year the pupils deliver the harvest produce to around one hundred local senior citizens. We would appreciate any donations of produce to help us with this event.

We are also looking for some parent helpers to bag up the produce after the Harvest Assembly and then take small groups of children to an area of the village, in the afternoon, to deliver the bags. As we organise groups and delivery lists in advance, it would be useful to know if any parents are available to help. Please contact the school office if you are able to help out. Thanks.

### **Dahlicious Dress Up Day at Dalry**

On Friday 25th September 2015 the pupils took part in the annual *Dahlicious Dress Up Day* to raise money for Roald Dahl's Marvellous Children's Charity. £71 was donated to the charity. There are a number of photographs of the children dressed up as characters from Roald Dahl's novels in the Primary entrance.

### **Macmillan**

A big thank you to everyone who attended the Macmillan coffee morning that pupils from S2 organised, a massive £1050.37 has been raised so far.

### **Parent Partnership Working**

Teachers are always willing to speak to parents about their son or daughter's progress in class. However, before 9 am can be quite a busy time for teachers preparing for the day ahead and for greeting pupils. Teachers find the end of the school day a far better time to meet with parents. Meetings with the teacher can be arranged by phoning the school office.

### **Class Blogs**

The Dalry School website is currently under development therefore there are currently no new posts from the primary classes.

## **P7 / S1 Transition**

P7 pupils have been visiting the secondary department every Thursday morning this term. The pupils have been studying French, English and Science / Health & Wellbeing.

## **After School Clubs**

Mr Goodwin will be starting his Technology Club for pupils from P5-7 after the October holidays. The club will be on a Thursday from 3.30 – 4.30pm. Letters will be issued to interested pupils after the holidays.

Mark Turner, Active Schools, will be running his Active Achieving club for the Glenkens Cluster on a Wednesday in the Hall. It will start on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November and run for six weeks until the 9<sup>th</sup> December. The P1-3 session is from 3.30 – 4.30pm and P4-7 is 4.30– 5.30pm. The club is free of charge and will focus on a different sport each week. Letters will be issued to pupils after the holidays.

Mark Turner will also continue his Monday lunchtime club for the P4 and P5 pupils next term.

## **Dates for the Diary**

Mon. 12 <sup>th</sup> – Fri. 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	October Holidays
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	P6 Fire Safety Presentation
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> November	Guest Speaker – Glen Chilton @ 1.30pm <i>'Adventures with Creatures that were thought to be Extinct.'</i>
Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> November	St Andrew's Day Holiday
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> November	Into Film Festival @ Catstrand, New Galloway. P1-7 watching 'Two by Two'
Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Interim reports issued to parents
Tues 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Jack and the Beanstalk Pantomime @1.45pm,Kells Primary.
Wed 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Parental consultations
Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> December	11.30am – 1pm Pupil Flu Jags
Tues 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	Glenkens Cluster Church Service @ 10 am in Dalry Church

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

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