



Thursday 2nd March

Dates for the Diary

Whole School context for learning... The Power of Our Planet

March 2017

Friday 3rd March
World Book Day

Tuesday 7th March
Glee Choir Competition

Friday 10th March
Primary 7 Rotary Quiz

Monday 20th – Friday 31st
March
The Big Pedal

Wednesday 22nd March
Learning Together Event at
2pm and 6pm

Friday 24th March
Red Nose Day

Wednesday 29th March
Parents Evening

Thursday 30th March
Primary 5 attend "The Easter Journey"

Friday 31st March
Easter Service at 1.45pm
End of Term @3.15pm

**Return to school on
Tuesday 18th April**



Curriculum Sharing Event:

We look forward to welcoming parents to our Curriculum Sharing event on Wednesday 22nd March at 2pm or 6pm. This will provide parents with the opportunity a brief insight into what learning looks like, feels like and sounds like for your children.

Improvement to our Outdoor Space;-

Many, Many thanks to the volunteers who helped to empty the PSA shed in preparation for the installation of our new bike shelters.

I would like to extend a special thanks to Mr Reid, Mr Owen and Mr Balloch who gave up their time and muscle power to the moving of "Acorn Cottage," our play house, to it's new location. It is very much appreciated that our learning community are pulling together to provide improvements to the learning environment.

I appreciate that whilst our outdoor kitchen and technology area is being built that this has resulted in a temporary change to how our P3,4 and 7 children have entered and exited the school, this is to ensure their safety and not a permanent change. Your support and understanding whilst we improve our school grounds for all of our children is much appreciated.

Plans for the new structure are on display on the school notice board. These have been expertly created by our Primary 7 pupils through the use of a graphic design package called sketch-up.

Science Open Day:- The University of Stirling is 50 years old this year and as part of the celebration they are holding a Community Doors Open Day on Saturday 18th March. The details can be found at

<https://www.stir.ac.uk/anniversary/events/2017/communityopendoorsday/>

There are a wide range of activities, but in particular a Science Fair. This will be full of hands on activities from a magic mirror to microscopes and from facial recognition to invasive plants. It is aimed at primary school pupils and their families. There is no booking, just turn up on the day and get stuck in. It runs from 2pm-4pm in the Atrium just up the stairs from the MacRobert entrance.

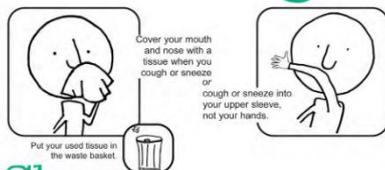
Reporting on Learning:- On Wednesday 29th March we would again like to welcome our parents in to school for parents evening. If you have preferred date and time that you wish to visit please can you complete the slip below.

Child's Name _____ Class _____

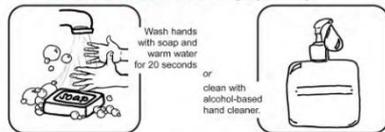
3.20pm- 5pm 5pm - 6.30pm 6.30pm - 8pm

Stop the spread of germs that make you and others sick!

Cover your Cough



Clean your Hands



As many parents will be aware one of our pupils, Laetitia Bruce-Winkler, is receiving medical treatment for leukaemia that puts her at risk from measles, chicken pox and shingles. If Laetitia comes into direct contact from these conditions the pupil requires to be given some protection against them and this has to be given within 72 hours of the contact.

We would therefore ask you if your child develops measles, chicken pox or shingles that you inform us immediately so that appropriate action can be taken.

We have also spoken with all the children today about good hygiene habits and would be very grateful if parents could reinforce this message at home. This means that all children should be reminded about the importance of hand hygiene and if your child has a cough, cold or sneeze, we would like them to try to cough into their elbow in order to minimize the spread of germs.

Your child is not at any risk from this situation; however the health of Laetitia does depend on your co-operation in this important matter.

Whole School Trip to Dynamic Earth:- Every Second year we embark on a whole school trip. This session, as part of our Power of Our Planet learning context and as a Launch to our Inventors, Designers and Architects learning context we are making the trip to Dynamic Earth and the Scottish Parliament on the 21st April 2017. In order to make the best of the day we will be leaving school at 8.30am and return at 3.30pm. This trip will be subsidised by the Parent Council, but we ask parents to contribute £5 towards the cost. We would like to ask parents to make a payment for this trip using their Parent Pay accounts.

At School Stirling Council's catering service we will be offering a Theme Menu once a month. It is hoped that your child will join us for lunch. The price remains at £2.10 for a two course meal and drink.

- 9th March International School Meals Day
- 26th April Spring
- 17th May Vegetarian Day
- 14th June Picnic day
- August let's get Started Back to school
- 27th September School Milk Day
- 31st October Halloween (participating schools only)
- 3rd November Scottish School Meals Day
- December Christmas Lunch (Date to be confirmed)

Weekly Events Reminder

Monday

- Violin tutor in school
- Reading / Homework café at lunchtime P1 -7

Tuesday

- P4 -5 STEM club , packed lunch required

Wednesday

- All classes:- Music with Karen Moore music specialist (fortnightly)
- All classes:- P1/2, P3/4 and P7 P.E with Mrs McLachlan
- P4-7 choir from 12pm – 12.30pm
- Cross country from 12.30pm – 1pm Packed Lunch required
- Primary 1 / 2 forest schools

Thursday

- 2.30pm Assembly with Reverend Nick Green
- STEM club for Primary 6-7 children lunchtime and afterschool
- Makaton Rhyme and Sign club for P1-7

Friday

- All classes:- Responsibility Time

P.E Reminder

- Children have P.E twice a week over and above their daily activity miles.
- Please can you support your child by ensuring they have P.E kit, including gym shoes or trainers in school everyday