

Home-School Contact

If you have any queries, concerns or anything you would like to discuss or let me know about, please do not hesitate to get in touch. I am available in the playground at the end of a school day or you can contact the office to make an appointment. I will contact you, either by talking with you at the end of a school day or by phone if I have any concerns or if I am particularly impressed with anything in school. I will also send notes home or certificates to let you know of all the positive things they do.

Help in Class

Extra adults in class are always a huge help for children's development. This can be supporting children with class activities, working with groups in class on a particular game or learning activity, helping us on trips (including swimming) or helping make resources in the school. If you have any time that you can volunteer, please let me know and we can discuss what you would prefer to do.

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Primary 4D Newsletter
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Welcome Back

I hope everyone enjoyed their October break and are ready and looking forward to a busy term ahead.

General Information

P4 will continue to have swimming every Wednesday morning. The last session for this in on Wednesday the 27th of November. Once swimming is completed, the P4's will work together to develop their dancing skills. P4D have a second PE slot which will now be on a Tuesday with Miss Mack.

Please ensure children have suitable outdoor clothing. Waterproof jackets in particular are essential to allow children to go out in all weather. Please ensure all clothing is labelled clearly with your child's full name and class so if anything is misplaced, it can be returned to you.

The Term Ahead

We will continue our Ancient Egypt topic, where children will research the life of a key historical figure and the impact they had as well as explore the culture of the time and compare it to their own. We plan to finish this on Tuesday the 26th of November with a trip to the National Museum. Please look out for a letter regarding this. Adult helpers will be needed and very much appreciated. If you are able to help, make sure you complete the tear off slip and return it with the consent form.

Our science topic for the term will be a water topic. The children will explore the changing states of water and look at the difference between a solid, a gas and a liquid. They will then investigate dissolving and solutions.

Book Week Scotland is taking place from the 18th of November. We will be doing a variety of book related tasks and would like to invite you in on the **Thursday afternoon, from 2:30pm**, where your child can share their learning and you have time to read one of their favourite class books with them. (Thursday 20th of November). I look forward to seeing you then.

Homework

Homework will continue to be issued in a grid format. Please try to complete two activities a week from the grid and just sign these when done. After feedback from parents, jotters have been included with the grid if children want to record any written work. Please ensure these are returned so that I can discuss activities with them and then glue in the next grid of activities. Due the October grid coming out later in the month, the next activity sheet will be issued mid November.

The Festive Period

P4 will be busy working on an enterprise topic. This is a fantastic opportunity to investigate money. We will look at costs, budgeting and profits over the topic with the aim to create a Christmas item in class that they can sell for a profit. The profits will be used towards something for the class e.g., games in class or a class trip. We would like to invite you in to help us with the actual creation of our products on **Tuesday the 10th of December at 2:15pm.**

The P3-P5 Christmas party is due to take place on **Wednesday the 18th of December, from 1:30-3:00**, however this will be confirmed nearer the time.

The P4's will be taking part in a fundraising choir. We are planning to perform to the P1/2 parents at the entrance to the nativity as well as two trips to the local store in the week running up to Christmas. This will allow us to raise funds for a P4 trip after Christmas. We will also share a song or two with you at our music and mince pie event (date to be confirmed).