

Millbank Primary School Newsletter

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Monday 25th March 2019

Cross country

A group of 35 pupils from P2- P7 took part in the McRobert Cross country event on Wednesday 20th March at Bught Park in Inverness. There were some very impressive individual times recorded. Participation in these events would not be possible without the huge commitment of teaching staff and volunteers who give their time to run after-school athletics clubs and accompany pupils to events. Many thanks to Mrs Amos, Miss Walker, Mr Riley, Mrs MacKenzie, Mrs Read and Mr Robertson for their support in transporting and supervising pupils on the day and to many other parents who went along to support the children.

Our after-school athletics club (run by Mrs Amos and Mr Riley) and the P2/3 Cross country club (run by Miss Walker and Miss Young) have now finished for the term and will start again on Thursday 2nd May.

Pupil Safety

Often at this time of year, when the mornings and evenings are brighter, I have to remind pupils about their safety on the way to and from school. I have heard that pupils are playing by the river and leaning over the bridge on their way to and from school. I do hope that you will take time to talk to your children about the importance of keeping themselves safe on their journeys to school and sticking to the pavements and footpaths. Thank you.

Dodgeball

The after-school dodgeball club, run by Carol Dudley on a Wednesday, is now finished for the term and will resume after the Easter holidays.

Daffodil tea party

Our Primary 7 pupils are busy getting ready for their Daffodil tea party on Wednesday 3rd April from 2.30 – 4.00 pm. Pupils presented their ideas to me last Friday and they are planning a great variety of activities such as food and other items for sale, guessing games, tombolas, face painting and skills games. All proceeds from their enterprise stalls will go towards the P7 disco and barbecue which will be held at the end of session.

Our P7 parents will be organising refreshments and other stalls in the gym hall at the same time and the proceeds of these activities will go towards the P7 residential trip.

Thank you Sainsbury's

Sainsbury's very kindly donated their leftover Comic Relief merchandise to the school last Thursday, 21st March. Every pupil and staff member in the school received something from the collection of wristbands, red noses, hair bands, mugs, lanyards etc. We were all delighted with this unexpected gift – thank you very much to all at Sainsbury's.

Nairn Fire Station

Nairn Firefighters organised the Santa Sleigh collection last December and distributed the collection to local causes. We were delighted to receive a cheque for £400 last Friday for our ASN department. Many thanks to all at Nairn Fire station for their generosity.

Parents' evenings

Appointment times were issued last week. We look forward to seeing you at Parents' evenings this Tuesday and Thursday, 26th and 28th March.

Following on from their very successful demonstration at the Academy last month our Digital leaders will be giving demonstrations on the use of Chromebooks at Parents' evenings. Our e-safety policy will also be on display for you to look at and comment upon. This policy is also available on our web-site.

The Big Pedal

Our Junior Road Safety Officers - Miriam MacLean and Ryan McEwan spoke at assembly last week about 'The Big Pedal' which is being organised by Sustrans.

This initiative is designed to encourage more pupils to walk, scooter or cycle to school. During weeks beginning 25th March and 1st April teachers will record the number of pupils walking, cycling or take their scooters to school. JRSOs will then collate these results and if we have 15% of pupils in each class using these methods to travel to school then we are eligible for a prize. We hope you will encourage your children to take part.

Easter egg raffle

Traditionally P7s have organised an Easter Egg Raffle to raise funds for their residential trip. The raffle will take place on Friday 5th April and if you would like to donate an Easter egg for this event they can be handed in to the school office. Thank you.

Raffle tickets will be on sale at morning breaks from Thursday 28th March.

Dates for your diary



Tuesday 26 th March	Parents' evening from 4.30 – 7.00 pm
Thursday 28 th March	Parents' evening from 4.30 – 7.00 pm
Wed 3 rd April	Daffodil tea party from 2.30 – 4.00. P7s running enterprise stalls and raffle.
Friday 5 th April	School closes at 3pm for the Easter holidays.
Tuesday 23rd	School re-opens at 9 am for the new term.

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