

Millbank Primary School Newsletter

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Friday 20th March 2020



School closure

As we prepare to close early for the Easter holidays with no idea of when we will re-open, I would like to thank all staff, pupils, families and the wider school community for all their hard work and support during what has been a very unsettling and anxious time. We feel particularly sad for our P7s who have had so many opportunities taken from them in the last few days.

We do hope that you will find the on-line resources and information useful, please do get in touch if you have any issues accessing the internet or with passwords etc. I will be checking emails every day and am more than happy for you to contact me if I can help in any way. My email address is Maria.Mcpherson@highland.gov.uk

There is a lot of work available on-line and we suggest you don't complete too much of it next week as there may be many weeks of closure next term. It will be important to get fresh air and exercise each day as well as keeping up with tasks like reading and times tables.

Many teachers, myself included, are just getting used to Google classroom and will be spending next week getting up to speed with that.

I will be issuing regular newsletters to keep in touch with you all.

We sincerely wish you and your families all the best at this very challenging time; please keep in touch and hopefully we will see you all soon.

Very best wishes,

All the staff at Millbank

Mr Kelly

Mr Kelly leaves Millbank at the end of this term to take up a teaching position in Glenurquhart primary. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Kelly for all his hard work at Millbank and wish him all the very best in his new position. Gur math a thèid leat Mgr Kelly.

Library

Pupils had the opportunity to visit our new library on Wednesday afternoon and were delighted to see this fantastic new resource. Thanks to your great support of our fundraising efforts (Christmas Extravaganza and sponsored walk) we have been able to decorate the old 'Base', purchase new shelving and soft furnishings and make a start on stocking the library with books. Parent Council Vice Chairperson, Jess Foster has worked hard to complete an application for funding which will hopefully allow us to fully stock the library and purchase any additional resources.

Many thanks to Mrs Thomson and Mrs Laws for co-ordinating the fundraising efforts and organising all the refurbishments and book purchases.

TSB

The Nairn branch of TSB chose Millbank as their charity partner over the last year and have organised various fundraising events within the branch to raise money for our school. The Parent Council received a further cheque for £252 last week, the last of the fundraising efforts. Our very grateful thanks to all staff and customers at TSB.

ALDI

We entered the Aldi 'kit for schools' sticker competition which ran last year and received 2 kit bags of sports equipment last week. Many thanks to our Parent Council who collected the stickers and took the time to send off the completed poster.

Easter egg raffle

Many thanks for all your very generous donations of Easter Eggs. Due to current restrictions we organised a mini raffle in each class on Wednesday afternoon – pupils in each class put their names in a hat and we drew 3 prize winners from each class.

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