

9th March 2015

Football

Primary 6 and 7 football teams enjoyed success in their games at Inverness Leisure Sports Centre at the weekend. Congratulations to Primary 6 who won 4th place in the morning. Well done to their team members Nathan H, Duncan, Morgan, Ross P, Liam, Shayne, Danny, Ben and Cruz. Primary 7 dominated their section of the league winning their way through to the final after a penalty shoot-out against Crown Primary. They were runners up in the final and were awarded silver medals. Well done to Ross, Declan, Sienna, Ryan F, Ryan P, Harris, Connor, Ally and Johnny.

Rotary Quiz

Congratulations to our P7 pupils for achieving third place in the schools Rotary Quiz which was held in Charleston Academy on Thursday 3rd March. The team were: Lauren, Rebecca, Harris Finlay and Aidan.

Impact Visit- Nursery

On Friday 4th March the school received a visit from Associate Assessor, Kathleen Robertson, from Education Scotland. The purpose of the visit was to assess the impact last session's HMIe inspection has had on progress made in the nursery. Mrs Matheson and Miss Macnaughton, Principal Teacher at early stages, engaged in professional dialogue and shared with Mrs Robertson how the nursery had taken forward recommendations made in the original report.

Travelling Book Company -Book Fair

Thank you to all who supported the recent visit by the Travelling Book Company. The school received 60% of the sales in commission. This means we now have £562.38 to spend on books for our teaching blocks. By refreshing our libraries with attractive, new books children are encouraged to read as a 'choosing' activity. We would not be able to do this without your support.

Thank You

Thank you to the Renton family for their generous donation of bright, colourful table cloth covers to A block. These PVC covers will help enormously when tidying up after art and craft activities.

Ongoing Parking Issues

Despite several reminders to parents to use the drop off zones within the school appropriately, a number of parents persist in parking in these areas. This inconsiderate parking, at times with large vehicles, puts our pupils who travel to school on foot at considerable risk and causes traffic congestion. It has also been noted that a small number of parents have entered the staff car park and have parked outside the entrance to reception. **This area must be kept clear at all times.**

Primary 7 Elections

With the impending Scottish Elections in May the pupils in Primary 7 have been looking at the election process as a model for debating various issues which are relevant to them as pupils in Holm Primary. While their debating focuses on issues within school and is non-political they will receive a visit from MP Drew Hendry on Friday 18th March. Mr Hendry will discuss his role as an MP and share his experience of working in the House of Commons. Our pupils intend to seek his views on the policies they have been formulating in class.

Primary 5/6 Assembly

Well done to Mrs Gibb and the pupils in P5/6 who presented their assembly on Monday to fellow pupils and parents. Their assembly focused on the book they have been reading this term, Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo. The children wrote their own assembly which focused on the theme of determination and perseverance and they used music and drama to deliver their message.

Holidays and Closures

The school and nursery will close on Thursday 24th March for the Easter break and will reopen on Monday 11th April at 9.00am. Please note there will be two additional closures, Monday 2nd May for the May Day holiday and Thursday 5th May when the school will be used as a polling station for the Scottish Election.

School Meal - Price Increase

The cost of a school meal is to increase to £2.30 per meal from Monday 11th April 2016. The P1 - P3 pupils are still free of charge.