

11 May 2016

Loch Insh

On Monday we wished our P7 pupils a fond farewell as they made their way to Loch Insh for their five day residential trip. They will be involved in orienteering, team building games and various watersports activities. My sincere thanks to Mr Ross for leading the trip and to Miss McHardy for agreeing to accompany the children. I would also like to express my gratitude to Mrs Catriona Matheson, Dr Von Delft, Mrs Lewis and Mr Henderson for volunteering. Residential trips involve careful planning over time and can only be offered due to the goodwill and support of staff and parents.

West Link-Tuesday 10th May

Two of our Primary 6 pupils, Isla M and Angus M were chosen to represent the school in a 'turf cutting' ceremony to celebrate the beginning of the new 'West Link' works. As Holm and Kinmylies are the two nearest schools to the project, which will link them more directly, two of our pupils were invited to attend the event. The children were accompanied by Miss Macnaughton.

Eco Matters-Monday 16th May

On Monday 16th the Eco Crew and nursery children will share with the school what they have been working on and developing in our school. Katy the Ranger will also be presenting an 'Endangered Species' assembly for all stages of the school.

"We are going to show a PowerPoint to share the pictures captured on the Wild Life Camera." Edie

"We have been working on developing habitats and to help us we used the Wild life camera." Jane

The Eco Crew have worked hard to create fun and interesting workshops for the whole school to be involved in on Tuesday 17th May. The workshops will focus on Biodiversity and working on improving our garden even further.

"I think everyone will enjoy the activities because there is a wide variety and something for everyone." Abbi

"We have made a workshop for orienteering because everyone has been interested in it and I think they'll enjoy it." Alasdair

"It will be a chance to test everyone's knowledge on wild life." Andrew

We can't wait to share what we have been up to!

JRSO Training

Miss Macnaughton will accompany our P6 JRSOs to training at Culduthel Christian Centre on Wednesday 25th May. It promises to be a morning of learning and fun. The new recruits will return to school filled with ideas to inspire their fellow pupils on how to be road aware and keep safe.

The Mikado-19th May

We are delighted that Primary 6 and Primary 6/7 will have the opportunity to attend Scottish Opera's 'Mikado ~ Children's Unwrap' on Thursday 19th May 2016. The performance begins at 1.00pm and lasts one hour. There will be no charge for this event which features the Orchestra of Scottish Opera, cast of singers and backstage team who come together to give children a taster of the full opera experience.



Rag Bag

It is spring cleaning time again, if you have any old clothes etc for the Rag Bag please fill the bag enclosed and bring to school week beginning 23rd May for collection on Friday 27th May.



parents to purchase a choc ice and/or juice for children attending the races with parents. The cost will be 20p per choc ice and 30p per juice. Please remember to apply suntan lotion if we are lucky to have sunshine on the day!

Nursery to Primary 1 Transition

The programme of Nursery into Primary 1 transition visits is well underway. In addition pupils from P6, who are acting as buddies to the upcoming primary 1 pupils have received training from Miss Macnaughton on how best to support the new pupils in the playground and around the school.

South Highland Interschools' Sports

We are currently selecting a team of Primary 6 and Primary 7 pupils to represent the school at the South Highland Interschools' Sports. This will take place on Saturday 28th May at Bught Park. Further information will follow regarding this event.

Primary 1 Information Talks

On Wednesday 18th May, Miss Macnaughton will be delivering talks to parents of pupils who will be entering primary 1 in August 2016. There is an opportunity to attend either a morning or afternoon session. The sessions will take place in the meeting room at 10.30am and 1.30pm.

Baillie Cup Competition 2016

This competition will take place on 17th June. The school has been invited to enter a team of 24 pupils to compete in the Baillie Cup track event. Pupils in Primary 1 to 4 have been participating in heats to select team members for this event. I would like to thank staff and parent volunteers for assisting in this process. If your child has been selected, further information will be sent home shortly.

Walk to School Week

A reminder that Walk to School Week begins this Monday 16th May and continues until Friday 20th. Now the weather has improved please encourage your children to participate in this initiative.

Health and Safety

A concerned parent phoned the school today as she had noticed parents leaving babies in the car whilst dropping off siblings. Please be aware this can be very dangerous especially in warm weather.

Sports Day

The Infant Sports (P1-P3) will be held on the afternoon of 24th May and the Senior Sports will be on Thursday 26th May. Should the sports have to be cancelled they will be held on the next available dry day. The school will provide refreshments for the children running races on each of these days. The cost will be met by school fund. There will also be an opportunity for



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