



Dalsersh Primary School

Newsletter – January/February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Staffing

Mrs Carol Devanney and Ms Julie Graham are currently covering in the school office each day from 9.00am till 3.00pm. Please leave a message on the answering machine out with this time on 01698 882680 or email the office on office@dalsersh-pri.s-lanark.sch.uk

Active Schools

We are delighted to welcome back Keith Glendinning, our Active Schools co-ordinator who will be working with Room 1 and Room 2 this term. Both classes will be taking part in multi-sport games and Room 1 have enjoyed two sessions already.

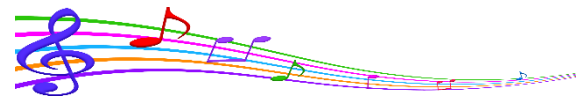
Football Festival



A team of P6/7 children represented our school on Tuesday 1st February at the interschools football festival at Hareleeshill Barn. They played 7 games, each lasting 9 minutes with a 2 minute break in between. As you can imagine this was a very intense afternoon with little time to rest but team Dalsersh had a great experience and did us all proud. Everyone is now looking forward to the next fixture in March.

Music

Flute lessons are continuing online and in school on alternate Wednesdays with Mrs Laura Michael as well as the Youth Music Initiative with Mr Steven Johnstone which is targeted at P4/5. Bagpiping has recently started with Mr Darren Somerville on Thursdays for selected pupils in Room 4 and next week Mr Stephen Burns will begin Snare drum tuition.



Outdoor Learning



Room 3 have resumed their outdoor learning sessions on Thursday afternoons and are enjoying the fresh air while using their problem-solving skills and teamwork to erect dens and weed the garden and raised beds. Please ensure your child brings warm outdoor clothes, a jacket with a hood and outdoor shoes/wellies to change into. A bag to put all your child's belongings in would also be very much appreciated.

Parent Council

A big thank you to everyone who has purchased a tea towel to help raise funds for the school. Tea Towels are now at the reduced price of £4.00 and all orders can be placed on Parent Pay. We are grateful to the Parent Council for organising this fundraiser.

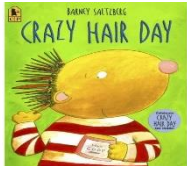


Scottish Celebration



Well done to all classes for learning and performing a Scottish poem or song. I was thoroughly entertained by Room 1 singing the '3 Crows', Room 2 reciting, 'The Sair Finger', Room 3 performing the 'Jeely Piece' song and Room 4's rendition of the poem 'A Dug a Dug'. A video of your child's class performance has been uploaded to each Google Classroom for you to view.

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Dress Down / Crazy Hair Day

Thank you to everyone who supported the school by donating to dress down and crazy hair day, we were very grateful to all contributions received. It was great to see all the different hair styles and the effort everyone made. Please see all class photographs on Twitter.

Parking

A reminder that the drop off bays should be available for mini-buses and taxi's who drop off/pick up children before and after school, these are not parking spaces. Please use the designated visitors parking spaces or alternatively park out with the school grounds. As you can appreciate, it can become very congested at peak times and your child's safety is of paramount importance and therefore wish to reduce the chances of potential road accidents or damage to vehicles. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.



Communication and Partnership

The school shares information in a variety of ways but the main channels of communication are through the School app, Twitter and School Website.



Please download our '**School App for Parents**' from the app store and search for '**Dalsarf Primary School**' if you have not already done so. This will allow you to receive messages, news items and updates.

Congratulations to our learners!

Every week photographs of some of the superb learning going on in classes will be shared on the school Twitter page. This month the school got 'likes' on Twitter from our Executive Director of Education, Tony McDaid and SLC Primary Science Stem and SLC Literacy. Many congratulations to our learners for being recognised for all their hard work and dedication. They are an inspiration and credit to you.

Photographs of learning will be shared weekly on the schools Twitter page. This platform is protected and will only include parents/carers and approved followers who are part of Dalsarf learning community. Please send a request to follow at: [@dalsarfPS](https://twitter.com/dalsarfPS) If your request has not been accepted, please contact the office to let us know as we may not recognise your Twitter name.



School newsletters, Covid updates and other relevant information and will also be added to the website. Please search for: dalsarf-pri.s-lanark.sch.uk

Thank you for your continued support and understanding during these uncertain times.
Best wishes,

Ingrid Gardner

Acting Head Teacher

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Dates for Your Diary

January

- ❖ Wednesday 5th- Schools re-open
- ❖ Tuesday 11th – P1, P2 & P3 - Childsmile
- ❖ Monday 17th – P1 Enrolment Week
- ❖ Wednesday 26th – P7 Transition visit from Larkhall HS
- ❖ Friday 28th – Dress Down/Crazy Hair Day

February

- ❖ Tuesday 1st – P6/7 Football Festival
- ❖ Wednesday 2nd – P1 Dental Inspections and P1 Orthoptic Vision Screening
- ❖ Monday 14th- February Break
- ❖ Tuesday 15th- February Break
- ❖ Wednesday 16th – In-Service Day (Staff only. Children do not attend.)
- ❖ Friday 25th – Dress Down Day

March

- ❖ Tuesday 1st – P6/7 Football Festival
- ❖ Thursday 3rd - World Book Day
- ❖ Thursday 10th – P6/7 Swimming (11 week block)
- ❖ Thursday 17th – P6/7 Swimming
- ❖ Thursday 24th – P6/7 Swimming
- ❖ Tuesday 29th – Hamilton Dance Festival
- ❖ Thursday 31st – P6/7 Swimming

April

- ❖ Friday 1st – Dress Down Day
- ❖ Friday 1st – Spring Break begins at 2.30pm
- ❖ Tuesday 19th – Schools re-open

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- ❖ Thursday 21st – P6/7 Swimming
- ❖ Thursday 28th – P6/7 Swimming

May

- ❖ Tuesday 3rd – P6/7 Football Festival
- ❖ Thursday 12th – P6/7 Swimming
- ❖ Thursday 19th – P6/7 Swimming
- ❖ Thursday 26th – P6/7 Swimming
- ❖ Tuesday 24th – P6/7 Football Festival
- ❖ Thursday 26th – P6/7 Swimming
- ❖ Thursday 26th – Dress Down Day
- ❖ Friday 27th – May Holiday

June

- ❖ Thursday 3rd – Holiday (Rescheduled from Monday 30th May)
- ❖ Friday 4th – Holiday (Queen's Platinum Jubilee)
- ❖ Thursday 9th – P6/7 Swimming
- ❖ Thursday 16th – P6/7 Swimming
- ❖ Friday 24th – Dress Down Day
- ❖ Friday 24th – School closes for summer holidays at 1pm

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