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Dalserf Primary School

Newsletter – February 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Staffing

We were delighted to welcome back Mrs Murray from Maternity leave last week, she will be teaching in Room 4 along with Mrs Middleton. Please see work pattern below.

Mrs Middleton - Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

Mrs Murray – Wednesday, Thursday and Friday



We thank Miss Tariq for all her hard work in P6/7 and for developing our new library along with the Reading Pupil Leadership Team who have done an amazing job working towards our Reading Schools Silver Award. We wish Miss Tariq all the best as she moves on to pastures new!

Parent Consultations

Our Parent/Teacher Consultations will take place in the school Gym Hall on Thursday 20th March between 3.15 and 7.15pm. Bookings can be made on the Parent Portal as previously for our October Parent Consultations and will go live today, Tuesday 4th March and close at 3pm on Wednesday 19th March. A notification email will be sent directly to you, please Log-in as normal and choose your preferred time. The scholastics book fayre will also be available for those who wish to purchase a new novel or picture book for their child to read for pleasure at home.



Showcases

Thank you to everyone who came along to our recent Showcase in Room 3, Clyde in the Classroom. We had a 91% turn out of parents/carers which was a fabulous number. The children had a great time showcasing their learning. The class are looking forward to releasing their brown trout in the River Clyde at Mauldslie Bridge on Thursday. Here are a few comments and feedback from their showcase:



"I enjoyed seeing the fish and listening to all the children singing. It was great to see what they have been learning".

"I have enjoyed seeing the range of activities the children have been doing as part of their learning. Well done P4/5. It was fun to finally meet the fish and listening to all the children singing. It was great to see what they have been learning".

"...the poem was amazing. The kids did so well".

Up and coming Showcases for your child's class are listed below.

Room 4 - Wednesday 5th March at 2.00 -2.45pm

Room 1 - Wednesday 12th March at 2.00 -2.45pm

Room 2 - Thursday 3rd April at 2.00 -2.45pm

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Monthly Mantra, Right and Wellbeing Indicator of the Month

At assembly we have been discussing the importance of the 'Mantra of the Month' for February which is 'A goal without a plan is just a wish' as well as how to be 'Respected' for our Wellbeing Indicator. Our UNCRC Right of the month is 16, 'I have the right to keep some things private'.

FEBRUARY'S MANTRA

A goal without a plan is just a wish.



World Book Day

World Book Day this year will fall on Thursday 6th March. Children have the option to dress up or dress down and can choose to come to school in casual clothes or dressed as a character from a book. Your child will be given a £1 book token which can be used at a variety of shops to buy special World Book Day books which cost £1 or towards the cost of another book. More details can be found on the voucher or on the World Book Day website.

Each class will do a 'Book Door' and will have the opportunity to visit our new Library, curl up with a soft blanket and read one of their chosen books.



South Lanarkshire Council have also organised a Themed Day Menu inspired by some of our favourite books and authors to coincide with celebrating the day. Please see choices below

World Book Day lunch returns
Thursday 6 March 2025

Blue meal – The Kids Favourite Pork rice bowl
(Diary of a Wimpy kid, Jeff Kinney)

Red meal – Horrid Henry's Quorn pastry with potato croquettes (v)
(Horrid Henry – Francesca Simon)

Green meal – Gruffalo ham finger roll
(The Gruffalo - Julia Donaldson)

All served with a Neverending selection of vegetables
(The Neverending story, Michael Ende)

Dessert – Pass the Jam and coconut sponge
(Pass the Jam, Jim – Kaye Umansky)

Cheese and tuna sandwiches available (orange/purple tray)

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Dress Down Days

Please see below for a reminder of dress down days for this session.

- ❖ 6th March- World Book Day (Optional up/down/ No charge)
- ❖ 21st March– Red Nose Day (Crazy hair day /Donation for charity)
- ❖ 4th April- Holiday (Casual/ No charge)
- ❖ 22nd May- Teddy Bears Picnic/Sunflower Walk. (Casual/ Donation for charity)
- ❖ 25th June- Last day of term/Holiday. (Casual/ No charge)

Twitter (X)

We will no longer be using Twitter (X) as a social media platform to communicate with parents. Recently South Lanarkshire Council made an announcement to only use it to share urgent messages Eg school closures, etc.

We will continue to communicate with parents/carers through our Parents' Portal, School App, School Website and Google classroom.

Best wishes,



Ingrid Gardiner
Head Teacher

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Dates for Your Diary

March 2025

- ❖ Tuesday 4th – R2 Multi-sports 3.00-4.00pm
- ❖ Wednesday 5th – R4 Showcase 2.00-2.45pm
- ❖ Thursday 6th – World Book Day, Optional Dress up/ Down Day
- ❖ Tuesday 11th – P6/7 Football Festival 4
- ❖ Tuesday 11th – R2 Multi-sports 3.00-4.00pm
- ❖ Wednesday 12th – R1 Showcase 2.00-2.45pm
- ❖ Tuesday 18th – R2 Multi-sports 3.00-4.00pm
- ❖ Thursday 20th – Parents' Evening 3.15-7.00pm/ Scholastic Book Fayre
- ❖ Friday 21st – Red Nose/Crazy Hair Day DDD for charity.
- ❖ Tuesday 25th – R2 Multi-sports 3.00-4.00pm

April 2025

- ❖ Thursday 3rd – R2 Showcase 2.00-2.45pm.
- ❖ Friday 4th – Dress Down Day. School closes at 2.30pm for Easter Holidays.
- ❖ Monday 21st – School closed – Easter Monday Holiday.
- ❖ Tuesday 22nd – Welcome back! School re-opens. Breakfast club at 8.15am
- ❖ Tuesday 29th - P6/7 Football Festival 5

May 2025

- ❖ Thursday 1st – In-Service Day 5 (Staff only, children do not attend)
- ❖ Monday 5th – May Day Holiday
- ❖ Wednesday 7th – Hamilton Dance Festival. Arrangements TBC.
- ❖ Tuesday 13th – P1 Induction Day 1 at 9.30am

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- ❖ Tuesday 20th – P1 Induction Day 2 at 9.30am. 11.00am Parents lunch.
- ❖ Thursday 22nd – DDD. Room 1 Teddy Bears Picnic/ R2, R3 & R4 Sunflower Walk
- ❖ Friday 23rd – May weekend Holiday
- ❖ Monday 26th – May weekend Holiday
- ❖ Wednesday 28th – P7 Larkhall Academy Transition Day 1 Visit
- ❖ Thursday 29th – P7 Larkhall Academy Transition Day 2 Visit
- ❖ Thursday 29th – P7 Larkhall Academy Information Evening at 6.00-7.00pm

June 2025

- ❖ Wednesday 4th – Sports Day 9.30am
- ❖ Wednesday 11th – P7's Leaver's and Summer Celebration
- ❖ Friday 13th – Dalserf's Got Talent
- ❖ Wednesday 18th – P7 Leavers Treat
- ❖ Wednesday 25th - Dress Down Day (no charge)
- ❖ Wednesday 25th – All parent/carers welcome to wish our leavers all the best as Primary 7 leave school for the last time. Good Luck!
- ❖ Wednesday 25th – Schools closes at 1pm for Summer Holidays

August 2025

- ❖ Tuesday 12th – In-Service Day 1 (Staff only, children do not attend)
- ❖ Wednesday 13th - In-Service Day 2 (Staff only, children do not attend)
- ❖ Thursday 14th – Pupils return to school. Breakfast club at 8.15am

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