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## **Dalserf Primary School**

## **Newsletter – March/April 2025**

Dear Parents/Carers.

#### **Staffing**

Mrs Lucy Douglas has secured a new post at Larkhall Academy. We thank Mrs Douglas for her hard work and wish her well in her new position. We are delighted to welcome Mrs Paula Morrow who is our new Team Leader in the office.



#### **Big Walk and Wheel**

We are taking part in Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel, the UK's largest inter-school cycling, walking, wheeling and scooting challenge. As you know, the challenge runs from 24 March- 4 April 2025 and is free to take part. It has been so good to see as many children walking, scooting and cycling to school.



Please continue to encourage your child to walk, scoot or cycle to school on as many days as possible. You can even park and stride! We want to make sure that everyone gets involved in Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel so all classes will be completing daily walks during school time.

Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel is a great way to build physical activity in children's daily routine which is important for their physical health and mental wellbeing. Active travel also helps to reduce congestion and air pollution outside the school gate.

For more information about the event go to <a href="www.bigwalkandwheel.org.uk">www.bigwalkandwheel.org.uk</a>. Enjoy the challenge!

Mrs Speirs and JRSO team.

#### **Easter Egg Hunt and Competition**

Room 2 are running an Easter Competition this week and will be selling a variety of colouring sheets and wordsearches, etc. If your child would like the chance to win an Easter egg and help raise money for school funds, sheets can be purchased for 50p.



All entries should be handed in to Room 2 by lunchtime on Thursday 3rd April for judging. The winners will be announced after our Easter Egg hunt on Friday.

Good luck to everyone and thank you!

Room 2 and Miss Kelly.

#### **Red Nose and Crazy Hair Day**

Thank you very much to everyone who contributed to our Red Nose/ Crazy Hair Dress Down Day. Donations on our just Giving page reached a grand total of £96! We are all very grateful for your kindness and generosity.



Charities Pupil Leadership Team and Mrs Barber.

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#### **Parent Consultations**

Thank you to our parents/carers who came to the recent Parents's evening. We were delighted to have a 95% turnout.



#### **Room 2 Showcase**

Just a reminder that parents/carers of Room 2 are welcome to come along to their child's Showcase on Thursday 3rd April at 2.00-2.45pm. This is an opportunity for your child to showcase a project they have been learning about in school.



Please enter by the Main gate and make your way to the Gym hall door. The children will then invite you in when they are ready to begin, thank you.

#### Monthly Mantra, Right and Wellbeing Indicator of the Month

At assembly we have been discussing the importance of the 'Mantra of the Month' for March which is 'Mistakes are opportunities for learning' as well as how to be 'Responsible' for our Wellbeing Indicator. Our UNCRC Right of the month is 29, 'I have the right to an education which develops my personality, respect for others' rights and the environment'.









#### **P7 Transition**

An information evening for all parents/carers will be held at Larkhall Academy on Thursday 29th May from 6pm until 7pm with the two-day visit for pupils scheduled for 29th and 30th May. Further information regarding these two transition events will be issued in due course.



#### **Dress Down Days**

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

- 4th April- Holiday (Casual/ No charge)
- ❖ 22<sup>nd</sup> May- Teddy Bears Picnic/Sunflower Walk. (Casual/ Donation for charity)
- ❖ 25<sup>th</sup> June- Last day of term/Holiday. (Casual/ No charge)



#### **Conference for Schools Day**

Mrs Morrow, Amy and Gracie recently attended the Conference of Schools 3 day at Hamilton Palace. This event is now in its 3rd year and is run by SLC Youth Forum to educate, inspire, and engage young minds through discussions and interactive activities on climate change and sustainability. They made a book marker from recycled materials, a mini bug



hotel and planted sunflower seeds to name but a few activities and had a great time meeting children from other schools.

#### **Lunch Price Increase**

Please note on return from the Easter holidays (Tuesday 22nd April) the school meal price for Primary 6 & 7 pupils will increase to £2.62. This information will be advertised via SLC social media on Monday 7th and Monday 21st April.

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Please note the price of milk will remain the same at **30p**.

South Lanarkshire's website will be updated to reflect the change of lunch price on Friday 4th April. The link to SLC school lunch Information can be found below -



#### South Lanarkshire Council Website

Within the lunch animation SLC will be advertising our forthcoming Stop Food Waste theme day on 30th April, our Keep Calm and Carrot on Eating Veg week which starts on 12th May and also our Eat Like a Champion Sports theme day lunch on Wednesday 4th June.

#### **Class Newsletters**

Please see attached class newsletters for Term 3. All previous newsletters are available to view on the school website.

#### **Last Day Arrangements**

A reminder that Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April is a dress down day (no charge) and we will be closing at the slightly earlier time of 2.30pm. Have a relaxing holiday with your family and friends and we will see you again on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April.



Best wishes,

Ingrid Gardiner Head Teacher

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## **Dates for Your Diary**

#### **April 2025**

- ❖ Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Room 1 Trip to Riverside Museum
- ❖ Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> Room 2 Showcase 2.00-2.45pm
- ❖ Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Easter Egg Hunt
- ❖ Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Dress Down Day. School closes at 2.30pm for Easter Holidays
- ❖ Monday 21<sup>st</sup> –School closed Easter Monday Holiday.
- ❖ Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Welcome back! School re-opens. Breakfast club at 8.15am
- Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> P6/7 Football Festival 5

### **May 2025**

- ❖ Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> In-Service Day 5 (Staff only, children do not attend)
- ❖ Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May Day Holiday
- ❖ Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> Hamilton Dance Festival. Arrangements TBC.
- ❖ Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> P1 Induction Day 1 at 9.30am
- ❖ Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> P1 Induction Day 2 at 9.30am. 11.30am Parents lunch.
- ❖ Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> DDD. Room 1 Teddy Bears Picnic/ R2, R3 & R4 Sunflower Walk
- ❖ Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May weekend Holiday
- ❖ Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May weekend Holiday
- ❖ Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> P7 Larkhall Academy Transition Day 1 Visit
- ❖ Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> P7 Larkhall Academy Information Evening at 6.00-7.00pm
- ❖ Friday 30<sup>th</sup> P7 Larkhall Academy Transition Day 2 Visit

#### **June 2025**

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

## **August 2025**

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