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Dalserf Primary School

Newsletter – May/June 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

Popinjay Cup

Congratulations to our football team who won the Popinjay Cup at the John Cumming Stadium in Carluke today! Well done to all the team who won on penalties against Underbank PS to retain the cup for another year. Fantastic result, we are all proud of you!



Robert Wilson Football Festival

Well done to the footballers in Room 4 (P6/7) who took part in the Robert Wilson inter-schools Tournament recently at Larkhall Academy. Despite the rain everyone enjoyed themselves.

Hamilton Primary School Dance Showcase

Our fabulous dancers did a grand job at the annual Hamilton Dance festival. We were all so proud of their hard work learning their steps. Well done girls, you looked amazing. Thank you for a great performance and thank you to Mrs Middleton for giving up her time to co-ordinate the dance group.



School Trips

Clyde Valley Family Park

"We braved the drizzle to feed the goats and horse. We got to handle some small animals including guinea pigs and Rosie the rat. We played in the wooden fort and on the go karts. We went on the wee train which took us past chickens, pigs, llamas, deer and goats. We even got to see some piglets that were only 2 days old! It was a wonderful day!" by Room 1 (P1/2).



Calderglen Country Park

"Room 3 had a fantastic trip to Calderglen Country Park. The children had a great time learning about cockroaches, tortoises, guinea-pigs, snakes and bearded dragons at an animal handling session and asked some brilliant questions. Afterwards the children explored the zoo, before heading to the park for a picnic lunch. Everyone is keen to go back another time!" by Room 3 (P4/5).



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Science Centre

"Room 2 visited the Glasgow Science Centre for their school trip. They were able to explore and participate in lots of different activities which allowed them to learn all about gravity, the human body, electricity and perspectives. Room 2 were also fortunate enough to see 'Animal Kingdom' in 3D at the IMAX. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed their visit to both the Science Centre and the IMAX!" By Room 2 (P3/4).



Sky Park Academy

"When we got there we got split in to four groups and we all got important jobs to do. The jobs included Director, Producer, Editor, Camera Operator, News Reporters and Experts. Each group had to create a part of the report by creating a script. Next, we were taught how to use all the equipment to record and edit. We got to dress up, use the studio cameras and green screens. It was great fun dressing up with suits and pretend glasses. Each group had lots of rehearsals and then when we recorded it we had to edit it. We added backgrounds and had to do voice overs." By Room 4 (P6/7).



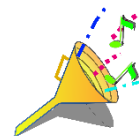
Teddy Bear's Picnic and Sunflower Walk

The Charities Pupil Leadership Group have been busy organising the Teddy Bears' Picnic and Sunflower Walk to raise money for our two local Hospices; St Andrew's and Kilbryde. The whole school were involved in the Sunflower Walk while the younger children brought in their favourite Teddy to share a snack with. A fantastic time was had by all and we raised the super amount of £190 which means each charity will receive £90 respectively. Thank you for all your kind donations. We know the Hospices are always very grateful for our help.



Music Tuition

The Youth Music Initiative with Mr Steven Johnstone has re-started again on Wednesdays for P4/5. In P6/7, Mr Stephen Burns' snare drum tuition continues on Wednesdays, as well as the chanter group with Miss Hazel Whyte.



Football Afterschool Club

Thank you to Keith our Active Schools Co-ordinator who has taken our after school club on Fridays from September to March this session. We have been extremely fortunate and thank Keith for giving up his time to run this club as we know how busy he is working in all the schools in the Larkhall learning community. We have also been lucky to have Logan's mum, Mrs Park offer to take over the after school club on Tuesdays this term. Thank you, we appreciate your support which enables us to continue to offer this club until the end of term.



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Sports Day

Sports Day will take on Wednesday 5th June at 9.45am. We will be using Ashgill Football Pitch this year for a more traditional sports day and would like to invite all parents/carers to attend. The Parent Council will be providing refreshments in the morning and an ice-cream treat for all the children in the afternoon. We hope you will be able to come and join us and keep our fingers crossed for a dry, sunny day. We will notify you by 8am if we are unable to go ahead with the sports day due to the weather!



Dress Down Days

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

❖ 26th June – Holiday (Casual, no charge)



Mobile Devices

We have compiled a Mobile Devices and Technology Position Statement due to Mobile phones, Smart Watches and hand-held devices becoming increasingly more common for children to possess however there are many issues that relate to the use of these in school. Please read and make yourselves familiar with the content. Thank you.



Parent Council

The Parent Council are organising a Shorts and Shades Disco for the whole School on Thursday 6th June. Tickets cost £3.50 and can be paid at the door. P1-3 6.00-7.00pm and P4-7 7.15-8.15pm. Please see flyer attached for more information.



The Parent Council will be selling refreshments at our sports day to our visitors and there will be a hydration station for the children. Thank you to the parent council who are also rewarding the children for their efforts with a visit from the ice-cream van in the afternoon.

Best wishes,

Ingrid Gardiner.

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Head Teacher

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Dates for Your Diary

June 2024

- ❖ Wednesday 5th – Sports Day: 9.45am at Ashgill Football pitch (All Welcome, weather permitting)
- ❖ Thursday 6th – PC: Shorts and Shades Discos (P1-3 6-7pm, P4-7 7.15-8.15pm)
- ❖ Wednesday 12th – Step Up afternoon TBC (Children only)
- ❖ Thursday 13th – P7 Treat (Hollywood Bowling & McDonald's)
- ❖ Wednesday 19th – P7's Leaver's and Summer Celebration (Invitation only)
- ❖ Friday 21st – Dalsef's Got Talent (Children only)
- ❖ Monday 24th – Movie Day (Children only)
- ❖ Wednesday 26th – Dress Down Day (casual/ no charge)
- ❖ Wednesday 26th – All parent/carers welcome to wish our leavers all the best as Primary 7 leave school for the last time. Good Luck!
- ❖ Wednesday 26th – Schools closes at 1pm for the Summer Holiday