



Loanhead Primary School
January 2019 Newsletter

I hope that you all had happy holidays. I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of myself and the staff, to wish all our families a very happy and healthy 2019

Head Teacher Awards

Congratulations to the following pupils who received Head Teacher Awards in December; P1 Elska – Care, P2 Rhys – Inclusion, P3 Ryan – Honesty, P4 Logan – Development, P5 Zoey – Care, P6 Thomas – Development and P7 Gillian – Learning. Well done everyone!

December 2018

Thank you for all your support over the various events prior to the holidays. Thank you to school staff for all their hard work, our Christmas Fair raised around £1 400! After the fair we continued to enjoy the amazing grotto produced by our learning assistants. This remained in place and was used by classes throughout December.

The Christmas performances by both schools were well received. Feedback from parents after our nativity and concert was very positive and the children all performed beautifully. We have talented, confident children here in Loanhead and it is wonderful to be able to showcase these talents, at such a special time of the year.

Thank you to our Parent Council for providing the in house pantomime for Primary 1 – Primary 4 this was enjoyed by our pupils. Primary 5- Primary 7 enjoyed a great trip to the Brunton to see Jack and the Beanstalk, whilst our nursery pupils had a fantastic trip to Purves Puppets in Biggar. A huge thank you to the Parent Council who subsidised all of these events.

Scottish Week

This month we are thinking about our national identity and studying all things Scottish. We will be having a poetry recital on Burns Day (Friday 25th January). All pupils are being asked to learn a Scottish poem and two pupils from each class will perform their poem at the assembly on the 25th. Please encourage and support your child to learn a poem as developing memory skills will be useful throughout their life.

Parent Consultations

Our parent consultations are on Wednesday 6th February (5.30pm – 8.30pm) and Thursday 7th February (3.30pm – 5.30pm). Appointments will be issued on Monday 21st January. If the appointment you are given is unsuitable please call the school office to arrange an alternative.

Students

Miss Dickson, who has been working with P6, will be placed in nursery for 2 weeks at the beginning of February and then will join P3 until June. Ms Beasley will be joining P5 at the end of January for 5 weeks. Good luck ladies we hope you enjoy your time with us.

PE Kit

Can all pupils please bring a change of clothes for PE? These should be named and kept in a bag on their peg. A change of clothes is especially important for our older pupils.

Mobile Phones

Can we please discourage mobile phones/ apple watches etc being brought to school by P1 – P3 unless this is for a specific use before or after school. If you child in P1 –P3 brings their phone to school can you please inform the class teacher in order for her to lock it away safely during the school day. Please also note that, throughout the school, apple watches or similar devices will also be locked away during the school day.

Dates for your diary (please note dates may be amended)

Friday 7th December – 15th March – P4 swimming (2nd block)

Tuesday 15th January – P6/7 Sportshall Athletic comp

Thursday 17th January – P4 Roslyn Chapel

Wednesday 23rd January – Wednesday 6th March P6 Ski at Hillend

Thursday 31st January – P6 and P7 Forth Bridges visit

Wednesday 6th February – Parent Consultations (5.30 – 8.30)

Thursday 7th February – Parent Consultations (3.30 – 5.30)

Monday 11th February – Friday 15th February – HOLIDAY

Monday 18th February – P7 Headstrong Information session for parents @ 3pm

Wednesday 27th March – nursery information evening

Friday 5th April – Loanhead Parish Church (normal finish time 12.25pm)

Monday 8th April – Monday 22nd April –HOLIDAY all return Tuesday 23rd April

Wednesday 1st May – Friday 3rd May P5 camp

Monday 6th May – HOLIDAY

Monday 20th May – PUPIL HOLIDAY (staff inservice day)

Tuesday 21st May - Drumming session in school for Nursery, P3 and P7

Thursday 23rd May – Curricular evening

Monday 27th May – pm Sports Day

Thursday 6th June – Parent Drop in

Wednesday 26th June – P7 leavers assembly

Thursday 27th June – P7 day out

Friday 28th June – final day of term **all finish 12pm**