

LOANHEAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

It is definitely getting darker and colder and seems a long time since the holiday week. I hope you had a lovely holiday. Please ensure children come to school with coats and appropriate shoes as we will try to get them outside most days.

P5 Camp

Please note we have been advised of a change of date to the Primary 5 camp. This has been changed from April to Wednesday 1st May until Friday 3rd May. Please contact school if your child will be unable to attend on these dates. This change is completely out with our control.

Poppies and Remembrance Assembly

P7 will be selling poppies each day for children to buy. These are £1.00 each. The Primary 7 pupils will also be leading our remembrance assembly this Friday (9th November) at 10.55am. All parents are welcome to attend.

Head Lice

We have had a few reported cases of head lice throughout the school. Please check hair regularly and treat as required.

Head Teacher Awards

Congratulations to the following pupils who recently received a Head Teacher award, P1 Arron– Learning, P2 Sara – Learning, P3 Calle – Learning, P4 Elliot– Learning, P5 Arran– development, and P6 Leila– Development. The P7 HT award will be announced at the assembly on Friday 9th November.

Parents Consultations

Thank you to all the pupils and parents who attended. We hope that you found your consultation useful. If you did not make your appointment we have been in contact to arrange an alternative time suitable to both yourself and the class teacher. These appointments are important to us as we really value partnership working in order to achieve the best outcome for every child.

Sports

The boy's and girl's football festivals were a great success enjoyed by all. The Primary 6 pupils who attended the hockey festival were commended for their excellent behaviour and positive attitude – well done to all who took part we are really proud of you!

P7 Camp

Primary 7 enjoyed the Dalguise experience and all arrived home happy and tired with mounds of dirty washing! Thank you so much to Laura Cooney, Kristel Maley and Jacquie Craig for giving up their time and accompanying the pupils. Karen Hinton also managed to join them for their final evening!

Halloween Disco

A huge thank you to the Parent Council for another successful Halloween disco. This was enjoyed by all. Thank you also to St Margaret's for supporting this popular event!

Book Bags

P2 and P3 pupils will be bringing home Read, Write and Count book bags which have been issued by the Scottish Book Trust. There are lots of ideas and lovely books inside to help you enjoy activities that will promote your child's literacy and numeracy skills.

Friday 9th November

There will be a course for parents in our community rooms from 9.30 – 10.30 about keeping safe online. Why not join us afterwards for the Primary 7 led Remembrance Assembly at 10.55am? All welcome at both events.

Christmas Fair Friday 30th November 12.30pm – 2pm

Donations Appeal - We are looking for toys in good condition, unwanted gifts, bottles for the bottle tombola and chocolate for the chocolate tombola. On the day and days leading up to this we will also be collecting your delicious home baking!

Nursery

Nursery trip this year is to Purves Puppets in Biggar on Thursday 29th November. This will be a full day event for all children. Nursery nativities are on Wednesday 19th December and parties are on Thursday 20th December. Nursery finishes on Thursday 20th December.

Christmas

As we approach December and the Christmas madness I will send out a separate letter detailing events etc for parents.

Dates for your diary (please note these may be subject to change)

Monday 5th November – Flu Vaccinations

Wednesday 7th November - P7 Visit to Poppy Factory

Thursday 8th November – P4 and P5 music course from Dunedin Consort (5 weeks)

Friday 9th November – NSPCA online safety for parents/carers 9.30-10.30 community rms
P7 service of Remembrance

Monday 12th November – Monday 3rd December – P2 and P3 4 week block of athletics

Wednesday 14th November – Parent Council meeting 7pm – 8.30pm all welcome

Thursday 29th November - Nursery Christmas trip to Purves Puppets

Friday 30th November – Christmas Fair

Wednesday 5th December – Pantomimes

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

Wednesday 12th December – CAMPUS Christmas Lunch P2 carol singing at local care home

Thursday 13th December – Dunedin Consort P4 and P5 concert in school Additional day of drumming

Wednesday 19th December P3 –P7 Christmas Concert 4pm – 5pm P4 and P5 Queen’s Hall – Dunedin Concert
(optional) Nursery Nativities

Thursday 20th December – Nursery parties and FINAL DAY

Friday 21st December – Loanhead Parish Church **ALL FINISH 12PM**

Monday 24th December – Friday 4th January – HOLIDAY (Teachers return Monday 7th Pupils return Tuesday 8th)

Wednesday 6th February - 5.30pm – 8.30pm Parent Consultations

Thursday 7th February – 3.30pm – 5.30pm Parent Consultations

Monday 11th February – Friday 15th February – HOLIDAY

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

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**

