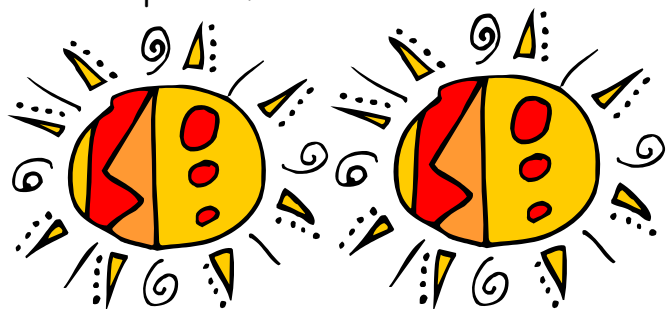


## FORMAT

As you will see we have amended our cover page once again this month to use Comic Life. Ideally it would be good in colour and if we are only having one newsletter a month, this will be something we can explore. Any printers out there who can help, please let us know!

## SUMMER TERM

It seems to have been a very busy time since Easter! Everyone is refreshed and ready for the summer term ahead. This is going to be another busy term and we have a number of interesting activities planned.



## STAFFING

We were sorry to say goodbye to Mrs Ramsay last week. Mrs Ramsay has started her maternity leave and is looking forward to the new challenges ahead! Miss Skilling will start at Lasswade on 6 May. Thank you to Mrs Knox and Mrs Gardner who will take P2 this week. Miss Callender will also start at Lasswade on the 6 May when she heads off to camp with P7! Thank you to Mr Henderson who is back to P7 this week to ensure minimal disruption for the children and finish the Moscars filming! Mr Henderson will return to Wednesdays with P4Y after camp week. Mrs E Thomson is kindly going to teach P4Y on Wednesdays until then.

## HEALTH FOCUS

Our focus this session is on healthy minds and healthy bodies and we have been doing lots of different activities. We have been tweeting updates and photographs and it is a good way to get up to the minute news! @lasswadeps  
Thanks to Mrs Welsh for planning and coordinating the activities and to Mrs Campbell for the informative Hearstart sessions and mini Commonwealth Games experiences!

## TRANSITION

P7 are looking forward to a series of visits to LHSC over the next few weeks. All P7 children will meet with pupils from other schools either at camp or during the camp week and I am sure new friendships will be made! All pupils will spend 2 days at the High School on 11 and 12 June and there are other liaison activities planned. Guidance staff will visit school in the next few weeks. This allows all pupils a smooth transition to High School. We look forward to P7 celebrations at the end of term and more information will be sent out about this shortly.

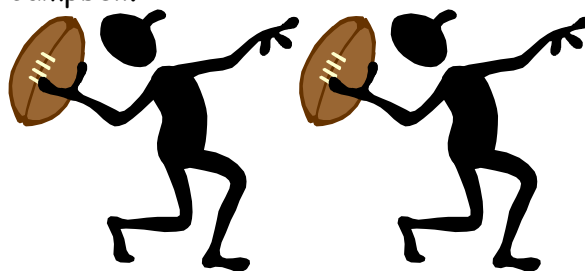
## SPORTS

This session once again we will hold our Sports in CfE levels. P1 children in P2/1 will do their sports with P1Y. We have planned two dates for each in case of bad weather -

Early level 1	18 June, am P1X, pm P1Y
Early level 2	25 June, am P1X, pm P1Y
First level 1	10 June (pm)
First level 2	17 June (pm)
Second level 1	10 June (am)
Second level 2	17 June (am)
Midlothian Athletics event,	3 June

## MIDLOTHIAN INTERSCHOOL SPORTS

The Active Schools team have organised the sports once again for TUESDAY 3 June. We will select a team of P6/7 children. The children will then train for the event with Mrs Campbell.



## IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### CLASS ASSEMBLIES

9/5/13	P1X
23/5/13	P7 camp assembly
30/5/13	P6Y

Parents and friends are welcome to join us at 9.15 am on those dates.

## SUMMER SUN

If the weather becomes warmer it would be beneficial if children could bring a hat to school and sun block or sun cream. We cannot apply cream but can supervise children applying it themselves and it is really essential to protect the children from the heat of the sun. The NHS have sent warnings to all schools about the risks of skin cancer. Sunburn can double the risk of skin cancer. Find out more at - [www.sunsmart.org.uk](http://www.sunsmart.org.uk)

If however we have more typical Scottish weather - please make sure the children bring a coat. If there is rain or wind the children cannot go out without a coat.

Many thanks.

## ECO DEVELOPMENTS THIS SESSION

The Eco Warriors (Clayton, Jessica & Tiegan) organised and carried out Eco Committee interviews.

We chose our three topics (litter, energy and transport) to focus on after looking at the Environmental Review carried out by P7. We made action plans.

We had a One Planet Picnic in September

In November we ran the Switch Off Fortnight campaign and lots and lots of families made pledges. The JRSO's ran the Park Smart campaign with the help of the Eco Warriors.

We encouraged everyone to send one Christmas card to reduce the amount of card/paper used.

In January the nursery brought in Christmas cards to be reused and recycled.

The plastic bottle greenhouse was built!!

We took part in Earth Hour in March.

Olivia, Ollie & Carys have been on a litter free school mission all year.

Every class has (or soon will) have a turn with the litter pickers.

We collected a small mountain of things for the Rag Bag collection.

The Eco Committee have tried to meet on Mondays during Citizenship Gathering (but we need to meet more this term).

JRSO's have started & we need to continue WOW - walk on Wednesday.

Walk to school week coming soon!!

The Eco Monday Mingle group have introduced the new purple bins in our toilets for paper towels and they made short videos to promote their use.

What a busy session so far .....

## CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENT

Well done to responsible citizens Iona Wilson, Grace Aaron, Sam Rafferty and Ellie Laing - all P5. The children held a Scootathon over Easter and raised £25 for Save the Children. After tweeting this we were delighted to get a response from Abi Robertson @savethechildren who said they were #fundraisingstars!

Well done to successful learner Lewis Hamilton, P3Y. Lewis has recently been awarded his 6<sup>th</sup> Kai at Judo.

Well done to confident individual Aine Sandilands in P3Y. Aine made her Brownie promise and also received her Cooks and Swimmers badge at the same time. Over Easter Aine also competed in the Scottish National Trampolining competition for the first time and did very well in her age group category.

Well done to effective contributor Lewis Park P3X. Lewis was awarded Star of the Day on three consecutive weeks at Newbattle Diving Club.

Well done to responsible citizens Millie, P3X, and Ellie Laing, P5X, and their family who are fundraising for Brain Tumour UK in memory of their granddad.

Well done to our effective contributors Izzy Drysdale, Ellie Brown, Lorna Mackay, Euan Fairbairn, all P7, and Camilla Hanley, Jessica Hanley and Lyle Jones all P6, who took part in the recent Scottish Schools Cross Country Championships.

**We are always delighted to hear of any achievements.**

**Child's name**

**Achievement**

**Signed**