



# LASSWADE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Living it, Learning it, Loving it ..... Lasswade  
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We hope that you have had a wonderful Christmas and New Year! Another year is now well underway at Lasswade Primary School and we have lots to look forward to this term.

We began with every pupil taking part in our Fischy Music Concert with Margaret and Jed, which was kindly funded by our Parent Council. The focus for this was feelings and we all participated in singing songs about how we feel and about how we recognise our different emotions. Our P3, P4 and P5 classes also participated in workshops with Jed and Margaret, and they created and performed class songs about what they enjoy doing. We would like to thank the Parent Council for paying for this worthwhile experience.

Thanks to everyone who has recycled their Christmas cards by sending them into class with their child. We are still collecting any old Christmas cards so please send them to school.

I am delighted to announce that our Depute Head Teacher interviews will take place over the next couple of weeks. I will keep you up-dated about the successful candidates.

We welcome Miss Emma Kiely who has joined our Lasswade family on a permanent basis and is teaching P4X. We would also like to welcome Miss Amy Parks, a 4<sup>th</sup> year BEd student from Edinburgh University who will be completing her final teacher placement with P5X this term. We hope she enjoys her time with us.

We are looking forward to welcoming everyone to school on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January for our Visible Learning Showcase. Every class will lead open sessions during both the morning and afternoon of Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January. Our hall will become a marketplace where each stage's work will be displayed in order that our families can learn more about our Visible Learning journey across the school. Ian Sargison, our Educational Psychologist will also be giving a presentation about how our brain works and the different ways in which you can support your child to develop a growth mindset.

We are also looking forward to developing our learning within Science with visits during February from Generation Science. The children will attend workshops where they will be actively engaged in investigations and extending their knowledge and understanding of Science. We would like to thank the Parent Council for funding this experience for every pupil in P1-P7.

Best wishes

Louise Donaldson

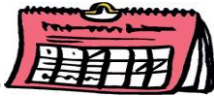
Acting Head Teacher

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



- 13.01.16 P6 Learning Council to Bonnyrigg Primary School
- 14.01.16 Outdoor PE for P5-P7 pupils. Please ensure your child brings old, cosy clothes to school for these sessions.
- 18.01.16 Parent Council Meeting at 6.45pm in the staff room at Lasswade Primary School - all welcome!
- 19.01.16 P6 to The Mining Museum to participate in the Crummock Bridge Challenge
- 20.01.16 Sportshall Athletics: Some of our P7 pupils will attend with Mrs Campbell
- 20.01.16 P5 Learning Council at Loanhead PS
- 22.01.16 P4 Assembly at 11am. Please note there is a change to the time of the P4 Assembly as P4Y are at their swimming lessons at 9.30am - a separate letter has been issued to P4 parents.
- 25.01.16 Visible Learning Showcase - a separate letter has been issued
- 01.02.16 Generation Science workshop for P2
- 02.02.16 Generation Science workshop for P1
- 03.02.16 Generation Science workshop for P5
- 04.02.16 Generation Science workshop for P4
- 04.02.16 Outdoor PE for P2-P4
- 05.02.16 P7 Assembly at 9.30am
- 08.02.16 Generation Science workshop for P7
- 09.02.16 Generation Science workshop for P6
- 11.02.16 P7 at Risk Factory
- 11.02.16 Outdoor PE for P5-P6
- 12.02.16 All pupils break for February holiday
- 22.02.16 All pupils return to nursery and school
- 25.02.16 P4 to Rosslyn Chapel

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY CONTINUED



- 01.03.16 P6 and P7 Sex Education Meeting for parents: 6.30pm at Lasswade PS
- 03.03.16 P5 Orienteering
- 04.03.16 P6 pupils participating in Euro Quiz heats at Stobhill PS
- 04.03.16 P6 participating in the Fairtrade Football Tournament at Bonnyrigg Rose Football Club
- 04.03.16 P5 Assembly at 9.30am - please note this is a change from the original date given
- 09.03.16 P5 Learning Council at Loanhead PS
- 10.03.16 Outdoor PE for P2-4
- 10.03.16 P5 Orienteering
- 11.03.16 P6 Assembly at 9.30am - please note this is a change from the original date given
- 15.03.16 Parent Consultations
- 16.03.16 P6 Learning Council meeting, hosted by Lasswade PS
- 17.03.16 Parent Consultations
- 17.03.16 Outdoor PE for P5-7
- 18.03.16 P4 Assembly at 11am - please note there is a change to the time of the P4 Assembly as P4Y are at their swimming lessons at 9.30am
- 24.03.16 Eco Action Day
- 24.03.16 School closes at normal time for Easter Holidays
- 11.04.16 School resumes for all of our children in our nursery and at school
- 18.04.16 Generation Science workshop for P3
- 21.04.16 Outdoor PE for P2-4
- 28.04.16 Outdoor PE for P5-7

## CONGRATULATIONS TO...



- All of our singers, musicians and readers who did a fantastic job at our Christmas Assembly at Bonnyrigg Parish Church - you were all effective contributors.
- A big thank you to all of our parents who volunteered to walk with our children to our Church Service in December - we couldn't have done it without you!
- Iona in P7 who has been selected for the Scottish Schools Swimming competition. Iona will be swimming the backstroke in this event. Good Luck Iona.
- Sophie in P6X who gained a Blue Peter badge for encouraging her sister to take up swimming.

## CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS



We are always keen to share and celebrate our children's achievements outside of school. We do this on a daily basis through our Twitter feed and also at our Citizenship Gatherings. If your child has celebrated an achievement, no matter how big or small, then please e-mail the school at [Lasswade\\_ps@midlothian.gov.uk](mailto:Lasswade_ps@midlothian.gov.uk) or complete the slip below and hand it in to your child's teacher. We look forward to hearing about all of their successes.

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### CELEBRATING SUCCESS

Child's Name:

Class:

Details of achievement: