



Loanhead Primary School
January 2024 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 2024.

Head Teacher Awards

Care, Honesty, Inclusion, Learning and Development. Congratulations to the following pupils who achieved HT awards in December; P1 Development – Martha, P2 Development – Jack, P3 Development – Magnus, P4 Learning – Rubi C, P5 Care - Innes, P6 Inclusion - Cara and P7 Development – Ollie. Well done everyone!

Scottish Focus

Look out for a Scottish theme in our lead up to Burn's night. Pupils will be allocated poems to select from and learn for our recital competition. This is a great skill and we hope that all take part, I am sure most of you can remember a line or two from a poem you learned in school!

Staffing

A very warm welcome to our new staff members- Mrs Smith our acting PT, Miss Woods in the school office and our new Learning Assistants Mrs Walker and Miss Caldwell. At the end of the month, Miss O'Connor, a student teacher, will be placed with P3

P6 Ski Lessons

Primary 6 ski lessons at Hillend start next week. These run from Wednesday 17th January until Wednesday 28th February. Have fun P6!

Parking

As we are in winter months and more parents may drive to school due to inclement weather, please, please park safely. Disabled spaces should only be used by Blue Badge Holders and this should be displayed at all times. Please drive slowly around the school area as small children are not always visible and do not always obey road safety rules!

If possible please park a short distance away and walk the final part. Thank you for your support in keeping everyone safe.

Clubs

The Parent Council and Active Schools are working together to offer the following clubs to pupils;

Tuesday lunchtime 12.45pm – 1.15pm P4 – P7 Yoga

Tuesday 3.15pm – 4.15pm P4 – P7 Multisports

Wednesday 3.15pm – 4.15pm P1 – P3 KIC Dance (24th Jan – 21st Feb excludes 14th Feb)

Wednesday 3.15pm – 4.15pm P4 – P7 KIC Dance (28th Feb – 20th Mar)

Thursday 3.15pm – 4.15pm P1 – P3 Multisports

Classes start week beginning Monday 22nd January and end week beginning Monday 19th March

To book please see attached flyer and letter.

Parent Council

A **HUGE THANK YOU** to the parent council for our Christmas treats. The panto at Porty was a resounding success and so lovely to see our very own dancer on stage – well done Ellie! Funbox was as funny and as entertaining as always and both events were very much enjoyed by pupils and staff.

Parent Council Meeting

The Parent Council meeting in December was postponed and a new date has not yet been confirmed. As soon as we have this information we will text parents the details.

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

Tuesday 9th January – Friday 12th January Mental Health week

Monday 15th January – Friday 26th January Scottish Weeks

Tuesday 16th January – P6 and P7 Sportshall Athletics – pupils taking part will be notified)

Wednesday 17th January – Wednesday 28th February P6 ski lessons

Tuesday 23rd January – Tuesday 19th March P4 - 7 clubs, yoga and multisports

Wednesday 24th January – Wednesday 21st February P1 – P3 KIC Dance

Thursday 25th January – Thursday 21st March P1 – P3 Multisports

Friday 26th January – Scottish poetry recital competition

Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February HOLIDAY

Wednesday 28th February – Wednesday 20th March P4 – P7 KIC Dance

Thursday 7th March – world book day

Wednesday 13th March – Nursery curriculum evening

Friday 15th March – sign language day

Friday 22nd March – Friday 21st June P4 swimming lessons

Tuesday 26th March – Thursday 28th March P5 Camp

Friday 29th March – Monday 15th April HOLIDAY

Tuesday 16th April – all return

Thursday 23rd May – Learning Trios * **Date Change**

Tuesday 28th May – Learning Trios * **Date Change**

Monday 6th May HOLIDAY

Monday 20th May Inservice Day staff only

Monday 3rd June – Friday 7th June Health Week

Monday 3rd June – Sports Day

Wednesday 5th June – World Environment Day

Wednesday 12th June – Friday 14th June P7 Transition days

Final day of term – **Friday 28th June**