

Carnwath Primary School Session 2022-2023 Term 4 Newsletter



I find it hard to believe we are already in the last term of the session. This is always a busy term and we will endeavour to make it as enjoyable as we can for all the children. This term we will see the launch of our very own school song, written by P4/5 with support from Christy and Margaret from Fischy Music. A new travel plan will be launched by the JRSOs who are also arranging lots of activities for walk to school week. We attended our final football festival of the session and as usual, the team made me very proud. A paper copy of important dates has already gone home with children, but they are also included at the end of this letter.

Mrs Bradford

Parent Council

The Parent Council meet roughly once a month to discuss various ways to support the school. There is currently a mix of virtual and face-to-face meetings. It would be lovely see as many of you as possible there. You can give as little or as much time as you choose to the work they do. There would never be any pressure to give time you do not have. The meetings are always positive and it's a great opportunity to contribute to the life of the school. If you would like to be part of the Parent Council, why not pop along to one of the meetings and give it a go. The final meeting for this term is:

Tuesday 23rd May, 7pm (in school)

Sports Council

The Sports Council have so far helped to arrange Scottish Rugby Week and a Football Club for the younger children. They will be working hard this term to assist at the school and nursery sports as well as the inter-house events that will be happening. Thanks to all their hard work, we are on track to apply for our Gold Sport Scotland Award before the end of 2023.



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<u>P1</u>

P1 are excited to learn all about mini beasts. We are awaiting the arrival of caterpillars and can't wait to care for them and see them transform into butterflies! We will set them free before we finish up for summer. What an amazing way to end P1!

P2/3

This term Primary 2/3 have lots of exciting things planned. We are finishing off our farm to fork topic with a trip to Almond Valley Farm Park on Wednesday 17th May and are looking forward to consolidating all our learning. In Numeracy, P2 are focussing on the four operations as well as some time and money problems. P3 will be looking at division, fractions and time and money problems too. We will continue working with our spelling and reading programme in Literacy, with a focus on Character Profiles and Summaries. We will be taking part in lots of athletics games in P.E to help prepare us for our sports day. Here's to a busy but exciting term!

P3/4

In p3/4 this term, we are continuing to investigate the human body in science and will be learning about different energy sources and sustainability as our main topic. In numeracy and mathematics, we are focusing on multiplication and division as well as the concepts of time, angle, symmetry and transformation. In literacy, we will continue to work on reading strategies to develop our fluency and comprehension and will improve our writing skills, with a specific focus on grammar, punctuation and 'up-levelling' our sentences.

P4/5

We are delighted to welcome back Mrs Beck who is going to be with us for the next few weeks and will be teaching the children about the human body. The children have been consulted and have chosen to learn more about our senses, our digestive systems and circulation. In maths the class will be learning strategies to help them calculate division problems and will be investigating fractions. We are also listening to a wide variety of poetry and the class will continue to focus on using effective vocabulary as they write their own poems.





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P5/6

The children are developing their reading strategies through our class novel 'Sky Hawk' with Miss Fitzgerald. They will be learning to write a persuasive letter and an autobiography. In maths they are finishing their Angles topic and will move onto patterns and relationships, and factors and prime numbers as well as problem solving. We will be learning lots of new skills through our World War II topic which the children are already really enjoying and in science we are learning about renewable and non-renewable energy. We are also developing our hockey skills in PE and athletics in time for our inhouse competitions.

Ρ7

Primary 7 have a busy and exciting term ahead with transition activities and High School visits. We will be working hard to plan and prepare our end of term performance too. Our topic this term will be about Fairtrade and ethical trading and in Science we will be learning about energy sources and sustainability. In maths we will focus on money in real life contexts. In literacy we will be writing autobiographies and our class novel will be Floodland.

Mrs Alexander

During ICT lessons, the children will be learning about stop motion animation and will create their own animations on the chromebooks. They will then be learning to use digital technologies to explore how to search for information online, with the older children focusing on learning about copyright and ownership of material online, as well as using advanced search features.

Miss Frew RME Across the School In Religious and Moral Education, all classes will be learning about beliefs and values of world religions. HWB Across the School In Health in Wellbeing, all classes will be leaning about Tobacco Education using the Smoke in your Eyes Resource pack.





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Fischy Music

The whole school really enjoyed our workshops and concert with Stephen and Christy from Fischy Music. We sang some of our favourites and learned new songs which we will be able to use in our weekly assemblies. The P5-7s even wrote their own song during their workshop. Margaret and Christy then returned and worked with P4/5 to write and compose our very own school song. It is based upon our values, friendship, happy, respect and safe.



Bikeability

Bikeability will run throughout this term for the P6 children. The children will develop their skills and road safety awareness in the playground and out on the roads near the school.





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Workshops with our Specialist Support Teacher Hazel Leggate has kindly offered to provide some parent workshops during the term. These will raise awareness of support she provides to the school and to families. Hazel is a knowledgeable practitioner and her contribution to the school is valuable. She is keen to meet as many parents as possible. The details of these workshops are as follows: Workshop 3 - Thurs 4th May, 1.30 - 2.30pm Autism Understanding Autism Workshop 4 - Thurs 1st June, 1.30 - 2.30pm Autism Support Drop In 'Chatter & Natter'

Cost of the School Day

This is always the time of year when children take a stretch and grow out of their clothes. Remember we have an excellent range of preloved school uniform that will ensure you don't need to invest in new items right before the summer holidays. This can be found outside the front of the school on dry days. If you can't make it to the school, please give us a call and we can send home what is required. This initiative also helps with the development of our eco-friendly practices and our sustainability goals.







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Carnwath's Got Talent!

The children and staff have decided to run a 'Carnwath's Got Talent' competition this term. Each class will run auditions (keep and eye on diaries for further details), and 2 acts from each class will be selected to appear in the finale which will take place on Friday 23rd June at 1.30pm. Parents/carers are welcome to join us to celebrate the talent within our school.

Please note, this was a conversation with children at the beginning of term 4 and is therefore not included in the original date list sent home.



Some Term 3 Highlights



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To help with planning, we have collated a list of important dates for your diary for this term. Please note, if anything else is added as the term progresses, we'll let you know via the school app with as much notice as possible.

	Dates for the Diary
Monday 17 th April	Pupils return for Term 4
Friday 21 st April, 2pm	Assembly: School Song by P4/5 (parents/carers welcome)
Tuesday 25 th April, 7pm	Parent Council meeting in school
Thursday 27 th April	P6&7 Football Festival (team to be selected nearer time)
Friday 28 th April, 2pm	Assembly: Launch of school travel plan (parents/carers welcome)
Monday 1 st May	Bank holiday
Tuesday 2nd May	Inservice day
Thursday 4 th May, 1.30pm	Hazel Leggate's workshop for parents/carers (Autism)
Monday 8 th May	Bank Holiday
Wk beg: 15 th May	Walk to School Week
Wednesday 17 th May	P1 & P2/3 trip to Almond Valley
Friday 19 th May	P6&7 Track & Field Event
Friday 19 th May, 10.30am	Hazel Leggate's workshop for parents/carers
	(Drop in for a chatter)
Tuesday 23 rd May, 7pm	Parent Council meeting in school
Wednesday 24 th May,	Nursery Sports Day (parents/carers welcome to
1.30pm	spectate)
Thursday 25 th May (1-3pm)	School Sports Day (parents/carers welcome to
	spectate)
Friday 26 th May & Monday 29 th May	May weekend
Wednesday 31 st May	P1-P3 Multi-sports festival at Biggar Rugby Club
Thursday 1 st June	P7 Touch Rugby Tournament at Biggar Rugby
	Club
Monday 5 th – Wednesday 7 th June	P7s 3-day visit to Biggar High School
Wednesday 7 th June	P4-5 Rugby Festival at Biggar Rugby Club
Thursday 8 th June	Inter-house Netball and Hockey Festival





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Wednesday 14 th June	P6&7 Netball Festival at Biggar Rugby Club
Thursday 15 th June	Inter-house Football Festival
Wednesday 21 st June,	Nursery Graduation
1.45pm	
Friday 23 rd June, 1.30pm	Carnwath's Got Talent (Parents/Carer are
	welcome to attend)
Tuesday 27 th June, 9.30am	Annual Prize Giving and Celebration for P7
	leavers (invites will be issued)
Wednesday 16 th August	Pupils return for new session