



Kirkhill Nursery & Primary School

'Playing, Learning & Growing Together'

Celebrating our May Successes—Looking Back

June Newsletter

Welcome to our final newsletter of this school session. We are always amazed at how quickly the year passes and the incredible amount of activities, work and learning which has taken place since we started our year in August. We are now entering the final few weeks of the school year and we have many events still to take place before we break for the summer holidays. We would like to thank all of our parents, carers, families and friends for all of their support during this school session and wish everyone a relaxing and enjoyable summer. We are keeping our fingers crossed that the sun shines throughout.

Engineering Invention Success

Congratulations to Leah (P4) who will have her engineering design displayed in the Barony Hall, Glasgow this weekend. This remarkable STEM award, managed in partnership with Scottish Engineering, the University of Strathclyde, the RAF and Weir asked school pupils across the country to design their own engineering invention. We are so proud of her achievement.

Glee Success

On Tuesday 22nd May our choir took part in the Edinburgh and Lothian's Glee Competition finals at the Assembly Rooms in Edinburgh. They gave an amazing performance for the audience and were a credit to themselves, their families and Kirkhill. They were awarded second place for their hard work and commitment which they and all of us were absolutely delighted with. Many thanks to Mrs Smith for all of her hard work and commitment to preparing the children for the event. A huge thank you to all of our families who came along to cheer them on and encourage them on the stage.

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Celebrating Success



It was great to see another fantastic turn out of parents, carers, families and friends at our annual Celebrating Success assemblies. We hope that you enjoyed all of the class performances which showcased our children's talents.

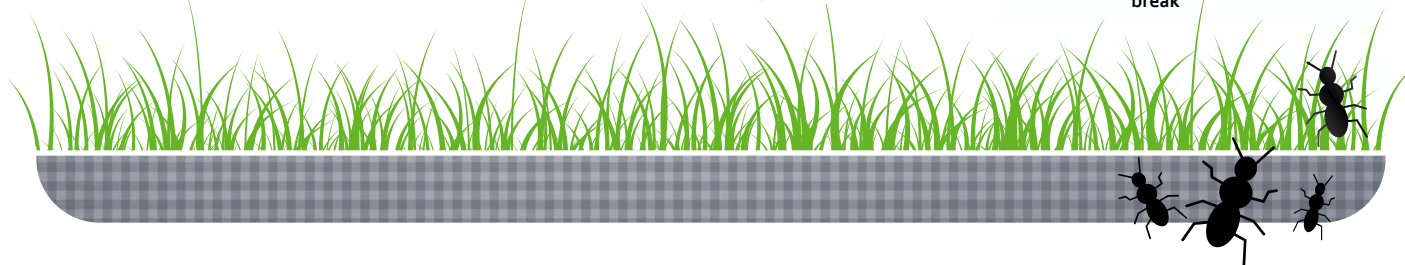
Sports Days

Thank you to everyone who came along to cheer our P1-7 and Nursery AM and PM children at their Sports Days. Our children all showed great sportsmanship and had lots of fun competing in the races. Thank you also to our P6's who helped with the Nursery Sports events.

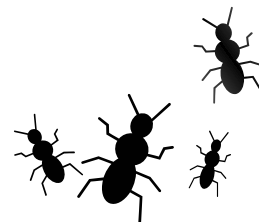


DIARY DATES - JUNE

- 6th—Dechmont P3 transition
- 6th—Destination Judo Taster Sessions
- 6th—6pm—PSC Meeting
- 8th—9.15am—Nursery AM Assembly
- 11th—P3's to Dechmont Sports Afternoon
- 11th—7pm—DADs Session 4
- 13th—2.30pm—Nursery PM Assembly
- 14th—P3's to Highland Games—Broxburn Academy
- 15th—11am-12pm—Sharing our Learning 4 (P1-P7)
- 18th—Broxburn Civic Week begins
- 18th—PM—Civic Week—Kirkhill Potted Sports
- 19th—P4 & P4/3 to National Museum of Scotland
- 21st—Gala Day Sports, Albyn Park
- 22nd—8.15am—Big Breakfast—all welcome
- 22nd—2pm—Civic Week Awards Ceremony—Strathbrock Community Centre
- 26th—10.00am—Nursery AM Pre-school Moving On Celebration
- 26th—2.30pm—Nursery PM Pre-school Moving On Celebration
- 27th—1.30pm—P7 Leavers Service
- 27th—7pm-9pm—P7 Leavers Party (Uphall Golf Club)
- 28th—P7 to Blair Drummond Safari Park
- 29th—Dress Down Day for Fun
- 29th—8.15am—Big Breakfast—all welcome
- 29th—Golden Club Event
- 29th—12.25pm—school closes to all pupils for the summer break



Other Successes



Primary 5 and 6 visited Broomlee Education Centre and had a great time taking part in learning outdoors activities. Thank you to the staff who accompanied them and to Mr Barrie for giving up his time to go too.

Primary 4 visited Low Port Centre for an over-night stay and had a fantastic time taking part in the activities and working together as a team. Thank you to the staff who gave up their time to go with them and to Mr Matthews for accompanying them.

Congratulations to Miss Stevens

Each year West Lothian have to nominate one probationer teacher for recognition at a national event hosted by the GTCS for their progress and development during their first full year of teaching. I am delighted to announce that the West Lothian Probationer of the Year award has been awarded to Miss Stevens for her hard work and commitment throughout the year. She will attend the national event in the near future with her family. We hope that you will all join us in congratulating Miss Stevens on this fantastic achievement.

Looking Forward—June

Staffing Update

At the end of the session we will be saying a fond farewell to Miss Clark, Mrs Thomson and Miss Stevens. Miss Clark is returning to work as a teacher in Qatar, Mrs Thomson to work closer to home and Miss Stevens is returning to Ireland. We would like to thank them for their hard work and commitment to Kirkhill during their time with us and wish them all the very best for the future.

We will also be bidding farewell to Mrs Wightman who is retiring from nursery after many years. We'd like to thank her for her dedicated service and we're sure parents and carers will join us in wishing her a very happy retirement.

Miss Harvey will return from her maternity leave at the end of June and will be helping out in classes until the end of term.

We are currently recruiting for new members of staff to join our nursery and teaching staff team and hope that we will be able to share class teachers with you for next session very soon once our staffing is fully in place



Professional Learning

Our staff team continue to engage in professional learning as the session progresses with the following training taking place:

- ⇒ Mrs Alston and Mrs McKendrick attended Scotland Reads training at Broxburn Academy
- ⇒ Mrs Clayton attended a Talk for Writing course in Glasgow recently and is looking forward to sharing her learning with the whole staff team next session
- ⇒ Mrs Bowden and Mrs Featherstone are currently attending Bal-a-Vis-X training at Winchburgh PS



Primary 7 Leavers Service

All P7 Parents/Carers are warmly invited to join us to give our Primary 7 children a huge send off on **Wednesday 27th June at 1.30pm** in the school hall. Further information has been sent home to all P7 parents/carers on details for the P7 Leavers Party and trip to Blair Drummond Safari Park.



Kirkhill Civic Week Potted Sports

This session we will be holding a Potted Sports event for the whole school on the afternoon of Monday 25th June as our contribution to the Broxburn Civic Week celebrations. Children are invited to come to school in their sports wear, if they would like to on this day.

Sharing Our Learning—P1-7



Our Sharing Our Learning final event of the year will take place from 11pm-12pm in the school on Friday 15th June. We have been overwhelmed with the response we have had from our parents/carers and families to these events and hope you will be able to join your child/ren to share in their learning at this event. Many thanks to our parents/carers for your support of these events throughout the year. Please note that Primary 1 children will be involved in this event to which all P1 parents/carers are invited to join their child to share in their learning.

Big Breakfast

After the success of our DADs Breakfast at the end of last term, Mrs McDonnell has arranged for us to have two Big Breakfasts on the lead up to the end of term to which all parents/carers are invited to come along to. A note with details for ordering bacon, sausage or tattie scone rolls has been sent home so please check school bags for these. We hope you will join us on either the 22nd June or 29th June at 8.15am.

