



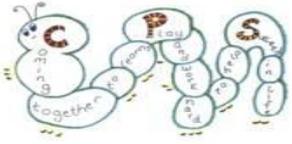
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Cockenzie Primary School NEWSLETTER October/ November 2019



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As I approach the end of my first week, I would like to share with you how respectful and welcoming I have found the children to be at Cockenzie Primary. It has been a great start, with many of the children introducing themselves to me. I am busy getting to know the children, staff, parents/carers and the wider community. With parent/carer consultations approaching, I hope to meet many of you then.

What's Going on?

Beat the Street

We are delighted that Cockenzie Primary School are Beat the Street champions for 2019. This was a fantastic initiative that saw our entire community coming together to walk, scoot or cycle around our local area, earning points as they went. Well done to everyone who participated. The online leader board was a real motivator that helped us go the extra mile and bring the trophy to Cockenzie. For earning the most points, the school will receive a cheque for £500. We will now discuss with the children what they would like to spend their winnings on.



Camp 2019

Our P7 pupils enjoyed a fantastic week at Newcastleton for their residential school camp. The camp was a positive experience for our P7 pupils who enjoyed participating in a wide range of outdoor activities. This opportunity is only

possible due to the hard working and committed staff who attended camp with the children. Many thanks to Mr Stitt for organising and attending and a huge thanks to Ms Slevin, Mr Backe and Mrs Corr who were happy to attend for the entire week. We're also very grateful to Mr Prentice (Rory's Dad) who volunteered to attend also.



Class News

The children in all our classes have a very busy term ahead with lots of creative and interesting learning opportunities planned across the school. Primary 1 are enjoying learning about *Woodlands* and woodland animals as part of their science project. Primary 2 have thoroughly enjoyed learning about the *Vikings*. This rich topic allowed children to think about what life was like as a Viking, what they might have worn and how they lived. Over in P3, the context for learning has been on *Hot and Cold Lands*. P3 are now very much looking forward to learning about Scotland and hosting their ceilidh for their parents in school on Thursday 28 November 2019. *Science* is the theme in P4 where the children have enjoyed learning about the human body and P5 has started their year-long focus on John Muir and The John Muir Award. P6 have very much enjoyed learning about life on The Home Front during World War Two.





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Well done, Miss Millar

We were all very excited to hear that Miss Millar, our P2 teacher, had the exciting opportunity of dancing in The Belgium Tattoo over the October holidays.



Welcome, Miss Sinclair

We're delighted to welcome Miss Sinclair, our new class teacher to Cockenzie. Miss Sinclair will be teaching in P3 this year.

Parents'/Carers' Consultation Evenings



We are looking forward to welcoming you all to parents/carers consultations which will take place in school on Thursday 7th November and Tuesday 12th November from 4pm-7pm. We would encourage, if possible, for your child to attend so they can join in with the discussions and share their successes with you and their class teacher. Please arrive at least 10 minutes prior to your appointment so you can visit your child's classroom and view all their learning.

School Photographer

Thank you to the office staff for the mammoth task of organising the school photographs. All orders have now been processed and photographs should be with you within the next few days. The school raised £480 from Tempest as commission from the photographs you ordered.



Payment in Schools



Cockenzie Primary School is now a cashless school. Please remember to use our online payment system for school lunches, milk and trips. Don't forget that if you do choose to pay for lunches with cash, we are unable to give change. Please visit our school blog for more information.

<https://www.edubuzz.org/cockenzie/school-pay/>

Pantomime

We are very much looking forward to our annual visit to The Brunton Theatre this year to see Cinderella. Information regarding dates and payment for this trip will be with you this week. Again, like in previous years, a large proportion of this outing has been paid for by the PTA.



PTA Update

This year's Hallowe'en disco was a great success and many thanks to all the PTA members for all the hard work and commitment. The additional spooky Escape Room was especially popular with our P7 pupils!

You can email our PTA at cockenzieprimarypta@gmail.com

Parent Link



The next 'Tea and Toast' meeting will be held in school on Monday 18th November at 9am. This is an informal opportunity for you to come along to school and discuss any school related issues you may have before the next Parent Link meeting on Wednesday 27th November 2019 at 1900hrs.

Passports

Just a gentle reminder that teachers are unable to sign for new passports for children. We appreciate your cooperation with this.



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Dates for the Diary

- 06 Nov - P6/7 Open Evening at PLHS - 1845hrs
- 07 Nov - Parent Consultations
- 08 Nov - P6 Remembrance Assembly - P6 Parents/Carers welcome to attend.
- 12 Nov - Parent Consultations
- 18 Nov - Parent Link - Tea & Toast - 0900hrs
- 27 Nov - Parent Link Meeting - 1900hrs
- 28 Nov - P3 Ceilidh - 1800hrs
- 30 Nov - PTA Christmas Fayre - 1300 - 1500hrs



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