



Innerwick Primary School Newsletter

Message from Mrs Whitford

I am pleased to say that the vacancy for the Joint Head between Innerwick and Stenton has now been advertised. Thank-you to the parents and pupils who starred in the video promoting this vacancy. Once the successful candidate has been chosen I shall let you all know.

The P1/2/3 class are looking forward to visiting the National Mining Museum to learn about the mining industry and how coal-fired power provided us with electricity. Thanks again to the Parent Council for funding this trip.

As you are aware we trialed a new initiative with regards to the children entering the school in the morning and after breaks. I am pleased to report that this went well with a marked reduction in incidents at these times with positive feedback from both pupils and staff.

I am looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible at Innerwick's open morning on Friday between 11am and 12noon,. Thank-you to the Parent Council for providing refreshments at this event.

As always if you wish to discuss anything with myself please contact the office who will be able to give you an appointment time.

Pupil Roles:

House Captains: Corsick—Mackenzie, Castle—Morven, Thornton—Archie & Braidwood—Ellie.

Eco Committee: P4—Sean and Isaac, P5 Erin and Ada-May, P6/7 Leyna, Jennifer and Ollie.

Pupil Council: P4—Elsa, P5—Maddy, P6—Imogen, P7—Daniel.

Sports Committee: P4 - Duncan, P5—Shane, All House Captains.

JRSOs—P6—Kelly and Jack



Water Bottles:

Can you please ensure that your child brings a filled water bottle to school each morning. This can be topped up during the day at the water fountain if required.



Charity:

The school's chosen charity this year is the RNLI, we look forward to arranging various fundraising events throughout the year. A visit to Dunbar Lifeboat station on the 30th October has been arranged for all pupils to enable them gain a more detailed insight to the vital work undertaken by the RNLI.



Reminders

- Please ensure your child is in the school playground before 8.50am, to enable them to be ready to come into school with their classmates when the school bell goes. This encourages the children to become independent and allows them to settle quickly in the classroom.
- As we are approaching the Winter months can you please ensure that your child has appropriate clothing for the changeable weather conditions.
- Children should always have their PE kit in school to enable teachers to include expressive arts in their daily lessons.
- Please could you use the plastic wallets to send in notes or money from home.
- Please keep an eye on our school blog to find out more about what is happening in school. The children look forward to reading your comments on their posts.

Nursery News

We are delighted to welcome Carrick who started this week in Nursery and joined our pre-school group.

We are continuing with our "Animals" learning and have been sharing many items and books from home. Next week, we hope to move on to learning about "Autumn and its festivals".

Over the last few weeks, all the children have been participating in lots of outdoor play. Our weekly Learning Walks and our daily outdoor play are always enjoyed by the children. The addition of a water butt and lots of new sections of pipes, have kept the children engaged in water-based, problem-solving tasks and collaborative play. We will continue to add additional resources to our outdoor space when our new loose parts shed is erected in the new few weeks and we are hoping to host a Loose Parts Family Play Session later this term. Please pass any suitable items our way.



Parking:

Can we please remind everyone that the car park is for staff use and deliveries only, also please do not use the layby for dropping children off as this poses a safety issue. Also as we are approaching the season when we will be having various events please consider our neighbours when visiting the school. Thank-you for your co-operation.



Playpod:

We are looking to replace/update some of the items in the playpod, if you have anything you would like to donate please hand this in to the office. We are looking for items to inspire creative, co-operative play which is robust enough to be used outdoors.

Some ideas are:

Rope/crates/netting

Plastic canvas/tarpaulin/tubes

Pram Wheels

Carpet samples or off cuts

Old flags

Bendy pipes

Suitcases

Dress up outfits

Overalls, handbags, accessories

Computer keyboards/Office style phones



Diary Dates

October:

3rd—P4/5 Badminton

4th—P6/7 Visit from Scottish Parliament

5th—P1/2/3 National Mining Museum

6th—Open Morning

10th—Football Tournament

10th -Parents meetings

11th -Parents meetings

16th—20th Autumn holiday

23rd—In Service Day

30th—RNLI trip

30th—P1/2/3 Football

November:

6th P1/2/3 Football

13th P1/2/3 Football

13th—17th—Friendship/anti bullying week

17th—Children In Need

20th—P1/2/3 Football

20th—24th—Road Safety Week

21st—Individual and Family Photos

27th—P7 to Risk Factory

27th—1st Dec—Book Fair (Book Week Scotland)

Parent Council News:

The Parent Council will be holding a Halloween Party on Friday 27th October in the village hall between 6 and 8pm At a cost per child will be £2 (pay at the door). There will be teas/coffees on sale for the parents as well as a tuck-shop selling juice, crisps, cakes, fruit and sweets for a small charge. There will lots of Halloween themed fun and games as well as a fancy dress and best pumpkin competition. We look forward to seeing you for lots of spooky fun!

