



PENCAITLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Healthy – Active – Happy



March/April 2010

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you are well and enjoying the brighter weather. I'd like to thank you for your support with the Haiti appeal. We managed to raise £500 and I was amazed at the range and types of hats worn on the day.

Well done to Hannah (P1/2), Robert and Ben (P4/5), Blair and Olivia (P5) Lois (P6) and Stewart and Arran (P7) who were guests at our first Special Table. They had a great time choosing their menu and being served by Mrs McBean and myself. We are now looking for guests for the March Special Table!

We had a visit from Karen Haspolat, our Quality Improvement Officer on Wednesday 24 February. She was looking at Learners' Experiences and Curriculum and was very impressed with pupils and staff.

Thanks to Mrs McBean for leading the Fair Trade assembly and organising bananas for sale or swap in the tuck shop.

Congratulations to the football team who won the match against St Gabriels 5-2.

Best Wishes

Mary McCall
Head Teacher

CLASS ACTIVITIES

P7 visited the Museum of Rural Life as part of their project and thoroughly enjoyed it. They are also taking part in weekly Tag Rugby sessions
P1 and P1/2 set up museums in their classrooms to show artefacts and photos of when 'Mum was a girl'. Thanks to all parents who attended. Like me, you probably felt quite nostalgic.

ECO SUMMIT

Mrs McBean and a few of the pupils from the Eco Committee attended an Eco Summit at Sanderson's Wynd Primary School on Friday with other schools in the cluster.

FOCUS GROUPS

The Parent Council are organising Focus Groups in March to find out opinion on Transitions – Nursery to P1 and P7 to S1. They will be speaking to a group of pupils and parents on this subject. Their second newsletter will be available on the parents page on the blog from 5 March (address below). Some paper copies will be available from the school office for parents who don't have access to a computer.

P5 GOLF

P5 children will be experiencing golf taster sessions in school during PE. Coaching will be offered at £2.50 per hour – for further details contact Kate Green 01875 619 071

COUNCIL VACANCIES

East Lothian Council are look for supply Nursery Nurses and Additional Support Needs Auxiliaries. If interested please see the council website www.eastlothian.gov.uk. Closing date 31 March 2010.

NURSERY CARE COMMISSION REPORT

Copies of the report are now available in the nursery or can be accessed on the Care Commission website.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wed 17/Thur 18 Mar

Parent/Teacher Consultations and Book Fair

Wed 17 Mar

Photographer will be in school to take class and group photos.

Week beginning 22 Mar

Health Week – full programme on blog (address below)

Mon 29 Mar

Parent Council Meeting 7.30 pm

Wed 31 Mar

P7 Show at 2.00 pm.

Thur 1 Apr

End of Term assembly
Break for Easter holiday

Tue 20 Apr

Pupils and staff resume.