



## JANUARY 2017 NEWSLETTER FROM MONQUHITTER....

...doing our very best to be our very best.

Dear parents / carers,

Welcome back to a new term and a new year!

### News from the classes

Classes will all start their new themes soon so please get in touch if you can help;

Nursery - Winter!

PR 1 - Fairyland PR 2 - Amazing Authors

PR 3 - The Romans PR 4 - Charlie and the

Chocolate Factory PR 5 - Food, Glorious Food

PR 6 - The Victorians PR 7 - World War 2

### Christmas Performance

One of our parents, Mr. Richard Baron, very kindly recorded the performance this year so everyone will have an opportunity to order a copy of the DVD - a huge thank you to Richard.

Details of how to order your copy will be sent home.

### Swimming

Primary 4's will start their swimming sessions on Friday, please remind children to bring their kit - we have found that extra socks are a good idea just in case they get wet!!

### Staffing

We are delighted to welcome our new Pr 4 teacher, Kayleigh Forbes, who starts with us on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January. She is looking forward to meeting the children and hoping to visit sometime this week.

### After school Clubs

Please get in touch if you are interested in running or supporting an after school club - always very popular with the children!

### ECO Group

Our ECO group are still trying to put together a book of recipes and would like to encourage parents to send in their favourites - please hand them in to the office or post into box on ECO table.

### Winter Weather / Snow!

Although every effort will be made to stay open during the winter months, it might be necessary to close the school. Information on school closures will be posted online, on radio and also on the new Facebook page. The school information line on **0870 054 4999** will also be updated if school is to close (pin number **022270**). Parents are asked to ensure that we

have up to date contact numbers in case of an emergency closure.

### First Aid Training

Primary 5, 6 and 7 will take part in first aid training in March. This is a great practical course, teaching the children about how to treat simple grazes to performing CPR! More information will be sent home nearer the time.

### Scottish Assembly

We are planning to hold a celebration of all things Scottish on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January and hope you can come along and join us. The classes will all take part and everyone is welcome to wear something tartan for the day. The assembly will be held in the hall and starts at 11 am, we look forward to seeing you there.

### Enrolment for Nursery and Pr 1

Just a wee reminder that enrolment week for Primary 1 children starting in August 2017 is this week. Please pop into the office for the forms. Nursery registration for eligible 3 and 4 year olds is from 23<sup>rd</sup> January - 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2017.

## Headlice

Please check heads regularly, we still have reports of lice being found!

### Dates for Your Diary

School will be closed for **Mid Term Break** on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February and Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February. We also have Inservice Days on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> / Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February so children should not return to school until Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February. School finishes for the Easter break on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March.

**Scottish Assembly** - Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January at 11 am.

As always, if you have any queries about any news items, please get in touch.

Yours Sincerely

Davina Gardiner - Head Teacher