

February Newsletter

Welcome to our February Newsletter!

It has been another busy month in Scotstoun Primary with lots going on in the school and local community. I hope you enjoyed the February midterm break and some relaxing time with your families.

Kind regards,

Emma McGill

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Head Teacher

Staffing

Congratulations to Ms Patterson and her family who welcomed her beautiful baby boy Leo recently. We have been lucky enough to have had a visit and he is just gorgeous! Mrs Hollebrandse has joined us this week as our new Support for Learning Worker replacing Ms Adamson. We are looking forward to her becoming part of the team.

World Book Day

We will be celebrating all things reading again this year for World Book Day on the 7th March where again we can come dressed as a word. Last year was the first year that we had tried this to try and reduce costs and we were blown away by the creativity shown. We look forward to seeing what this year's costumes look like.

Parents' Night

We are looking forward to welcoming you to school on the upcoming parents' evening to discuss your child's progress with you. We will have the Book Fair in the NEST outside the P6 and P7 classes for you to have a look at, as all money raised goes towards school funds. We will have a Kids Zone where your child can stay when you are at the appointment. P6 and P7 children are welcome to accompany their parents.

Scottish Young Musician Festival of Music 2024

Congratulations to two of our children Hannah and Lucy who represented the school recently at the Glasgow final of the Scottish Young Musician of the Year. They performed brilliantly and they have a lot to be proud of. Well done girls and thank you to Mrs Kissack who helped the girls before and during the competition.

Health and Safety

We would ask that you keep us up to date with any medical conditions your child may have. In addition, if your child has to take medicine for a short period of time, please contact the school office to complete a form which allows us to administer that.

We are also a nut free school as we have children who are allergic to nuts. Please don't send nuts or sweets with nuts in them into school. This also means that there is no peanut butter used for sandwiches. Thank you for your support with this.

Could you please ensure that everything your child brings to school is labelled with their name? We have a growing pile of navy-blue cardigans and sweatshirts which don't have a name on them making them really difficult to find their owner. We will have lost property on display at parents' evening. Please have a look.

Active Schools Update

The recent primary tennis festival was a huge success. This was part of the ATP tennis challenger event and some of our children attended the tennis taster stations ran by Neil Haig from Tennis Scotland and the sports leaders from Knightswood Secondary. A great opportunity to be involved with the other local schools and show off some tennis skills. Once the primary festival finished, all pupils had the chance to go next door and watch the professionals compete in a quarter final match, with local lad Hamish Stewart competing for a space in the semi-final. Front row seats to see tennis players in the top 200 around the world, where better than at their local leisure centre.

Below is our timetable for Term 3, as you can see we have so much going on, with amazing opportunities to get involved in sport at Scotstoun!

Day	Year Group	Activity/Provider
Monday	P2	Tennis – Drumchapel tennis
Tuesday	P7	Football – Jack McNulty Coaching
Wednesday	P4 and 5	Cricket – West of Scotland Cricket Club
Friday	P5-7	Dance - City of Dance Coach

UPCOMING EVENTS

- SUPER 7's at the Emirates Arena, 12 of our primary 7 boys and girls will be selected for an annual athletics event to compete against other schools in Glasgow.
- Football Festival - Our monthly football festivals for all pupils continue at Scotstoun leisure centre with three dates within the upcoming academic session.
- Dance Heats - We have dance heats at Knightswood that some of the pupils will be working towards, creating a routine and representing the school.
- Play Together on Pedals – a cycling programme which is aimed at Primary 2 children and aims to get them riding a bike or if they can already ride, improve their confidence levels. This will be over a 6 week block during the school day.

Lewis McTaggart (Active Schools)

In case you missed it

- Primary 7s had a fantastic trip to Blairvadach in January. 51 children attended and had an absolute ball taking part in all the activities. Thank you to all the staff who attended and gave their time and energy in to making it such a successful trip.
- Various classes visited Whiteinch Library.
- Primary 7s have been working with a chanter instructor as part of the Celtic Connections outreach programme.
- Primary 1 staff hosted an open doors event for Glasgow teachers to visit Scotstoun to see our approaches to play and visit the learning environments. Thanks to them for their hard work in making that a successful event.

Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
27.2.24	Book fair delivery
	6.30pm Parent Council meeting
28.2.24	Tempest – class photos
29.2.24	Oral health talk in P1s
	P5B at Whiteinch Library
4.3.24	P7 Pupil Council reps to City Chambers (YP forum)
5.3.24	5.30-8.30pm Parents' Evening
7.3.24	World Book Day – dress up as a word
	3.30-6.30pm Parents' Evening
8.3.24	Primary 1 trip to the Sea Life Centre
11.3.24	Road Safety Workshops all week
	British Science Week
	School health – P1's health review
12.3.24	P6 trip to Bannockburn
13.3.24	Road Safety visit
14.3.24	P4B at Whiteinch Library
	Easter Workshop with Wheel Trust for P7 children.
21.3.24	Super 7's Athletics – P7 all day
	P3A at Whiteinch Library
	1.30pm P3A & P3B Open Afternoon – gym hall
23.3.24	House treat
26.3.24	6.30pm Parent Council meeting
27.3.24	9.30am Easter Service – whole school (children only)
	Easter Party/Disco - P1-3 6-7.15pm P4-7 7.30-8.30pm
28.3.24	2.30pm School closes for holidays
15.4.24	School re-opens