



Muiredge Primary School

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2019 . . . What a guid start to the year!!

It has already been a busy start to 2019 and we were off to a good start with our Scottish focus with both pupils and teachers enjoying all things Scots in the month of January. Pupils continue to impress with their hard work and positive attitudes. Hopefully this newsletter will capture some of the learning undertaken so far this year.

Mrs Sharon Bokas (Acting Head Teacher)

Scottish Showcase



On Friday the 25th of January we had our annual Scottish showcase. Mrs McAuliffe co-ordinated the event and was so impressed with the talent of our pupils and the hard efforts to learn their poems and songs. Fiona McKibbin our school Chaplin welcomed us once again and this allowed parents and friends to come along to see pupils perform at the church.

This was a fantastic showcase of learning and involved pupils sharing poetry, singing, dancing and our wonderful staff team joining in on the celebrations with their playground songs and games.

A big thank you to all who attended and for the fantastic response we had from parent helpers who



assisted with walking to the church.

Scottish Literacy Homework



We have been delighted by the fantastic response we have had to our Scottish literacy homework. From reading in Scots to baking and cooking.

Thank you for sharing your photos on our school twitter, a wonderful effort from everyone!

Some baking and cooking efforts at home. We enjoyed tasting some shortbread and tablet. The boys and girls and parents/grandparents of Muiredge have shown amazing skills in the kitchen!



Parent Council/FAST

Muiredge Ceilidh

March 15th

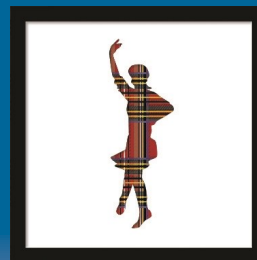
7.30pm

Masonic Hall

£6 Adults

£2 Children

Looking forward to seeing everyone!



Important Dates In March

R4 Assembly	Thursday 28th Feb
P1 Assembly	Wednesday 6th March
World Book Day	Thursday 7th March
Parents' Night	Thursday 21st March
Easter Service	Wednesday 27th March
Spring Holiday	School Closes Friday 29th March @ 2.30pm Opens Monday 15th April

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World Book Day

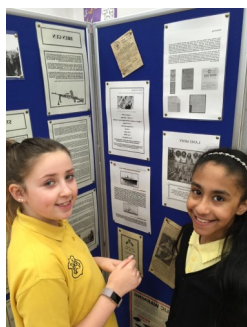


Our World Book Day celebrations will take place on Thursday 7th March. Pupils are welcome to dress down and bring along their favourite story to share at school. Our Staff across the school will be taking part in a Big Read and pupils will choose which story they would like to listen to.



P7 Military Museum Visit

The Military Museum visited Rm 11&12. Ian the owner brought lots of WW2 artefacts for them to look at and handle. The travelling museum was a great way to bring the topic to life and the children were given a free pass to visit Ian's own museum in Wilkieston, with their families.



Staffing Update

Mrs Miller HT is due back from her maternity leave after the Spring Break. We are delighted to have her back in school for a busy summer term ahead. Mrs Bokas and Mrs Watson will continue in their role as DHTs. Mrs Lee also continues in her role as Principal Teacher.

Our Team Leader Nursery post has been advertised and interviewed for and we are delighted to say that Mrs Linda Barr has been successful and will take up the post.

Active Schools and Clubs

We continue to offer a variety of physical activities and sports within Muiredge. Some of our pupils are participating in Hockey, Football, Cross Country and Shinty. Swimming also starts this term for our P5 children. Katy Reilly our Active Schools Coordinator has been leading a P1 multi sports club at lunchtime.



Sport Scotland Award

Mrs Watson is currently putting together a Sports Committee in school and working towards a Sport Scotland Award. Schools can achieve a Bronze, Silver or Gold. We would like to thank Mrs Watson for her dedication and hard work in organising all sporting events and clubs that take place in Muiredge.

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Nursery News!

Scottish Celebrations

The Nursery also took part in Scottish celebrations. All children participated trying some Scottish foods and dancing!



Chinese New Year

The children enjoyed learning about Chinese New Year and the traditions of this important festival.



Parent Council Funding

We have to say a big thank you to the Parent Council and parents who donate to school events. It is important to share what we spend your donations on and to highlight that much needed funding allows us to support teaching and learning across the school which benefits all pupils.

Parent Council have donated £2000 towards new reading books as we continue our book banded approach to reading in our school. They have paid for our new online science resource called Tig Tag that brings learning to life and is an exciting way for our pupils to learn more about Science. A huge thank you to all!

Friday Club

We also are very grateful to Mrs McKegney who organises our Friday Club sessions. Friday Club allows pupils to choose an activity to participate in and is a good opportunity for pupils to share their interests and talents. Pupils from our senior school also get the chance to lead clubs and share their knowledge.

We have to say a thank you to the parent helpers who attend to support us on a Friday.

INSET Day

At our recent staff Inset day we had a maths focus for the morning. Mrs Lee led staff training on a maths programme called Number Talks which promotes mental agility in maths. Staff were highly engaged and look forward to using this in class. We joined St. John the Baptist staff after lunch for Mindfulness Training. A brilliant day of Continuous Professional Learning in our school community.



Parking in the school car park

Please can all parents note the areas that are clearly marked for staff to park their cars. There are spaces at the right hand side as you enter the car park for visitors. Please can all parents refrain from parking in staff areas including the disabled spaces for pick up and drop off times. We have had some reports of damage to staff cars in these recent months which is becoming more regular and very upsetting.

Thank you
Mrs Bokas

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