



## Edenside Primary Newsletter February 2019

### **From Mr Bewsey**

Is it really February already? January has certainly passed quickly in school. I do hope your children have enjoyed the past month and the various learning opportunities that have been provided. I enjoy my regular visits to classrooms where I have found out about Dinosaurs (P1 and P2), The Borders (P3-P4/5), Medieval Life (P5) and 'Plastic's not fantastic' (P6 and P7). As always, there is a great buzz about our school and we look forward to talking to you about your child's progress as the upcoming parents consultations. See you then?

### **Staffing news**

*Principal teachers:* For those that aren't aware, we have Principal Teachers in our school who support the Headteacher and Depute Headteacher. If ever Mr Bewsey or Mrs Pearce (our soon-to-be DHT) are not available, you are welcome to contact Mrs Fleming, Mrs White or Mrs McLearn.

*Nursery update:* A warm welcome is extended to Mrs Amanda Feeney who has joined our Nursery team in the afternoons.

### **News round-up**

*Burns Supper:* Celebrating Robert Burns' birthday is an important Scottish tradition and the children were given a chance to do just that on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January. Each class read and performed poetry, children wore a 'touch of tartan' and, for the main event, we hosted a Burns lunch. Local resident Mr Ronnie Fleming kindly joined us to 'address the haggis' that was generously donated by *Grannie Jean's*. The haggis was piped in (with a little help) by Elliot (P3P) and toasts were raised by Zak and Jamie-Louise (P7) before James (P7) led the Selkirk Grace. This was a wonderful cultural experience that we hope the children enjoyed and will remember.

### **Parent Council**

The termly gathering of parents (on the evening of Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> January) was positive. This group is vital to the support and ongoing improvement of our school. Numerous school issues were discussed including the Secret garden, swimming lessons, upcoming events and fundraising. All parents and carers are invited to attend these meetings so why not come along to the next one – date to be confirmed.

It's nit week next week! (Week beginning 11<sup>th</sup> Feb) Please check your children's hair and treat them if necessary. Mrs Fleming in the office can provide combs and treatment can be obtained free on the minor ailments scheme at Boots and Lloyds chemist.

Please help keep Edenside nit free!

Bake sale coming up on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Feb. Please see posters for more information.

## **Other news**

*Parent Consultations:* Don't forget, we are hosting Parent Consultations on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February. If you haven't booked your appointment yet, please get in touch with the school office.

*You said:* We recently asked you for your input on how we, as a school, are doing in helping your child(ren) be safe, healthy, achieving, nurtured, active, respected, responsible and included (the wellbeing indicators). If you haven't yet had your say, you can go to our online survey here - <https://tinyurl.com/EdensideH-WB>. If you have already contributed, thank you for your views. We hope to act on your ideas in the coming months.

*Breakfast Club:* We are hoping to launch our 'BE READY' breakfast club after the half-term weekend. This 'before school' club will provide an opportunity for your child to 'be ready' for school by having a good breakfast and catching up with their friends. The club will be introduced on a staggered basis, starting with P1s and P2s and their older siblings. A groupcall will be sent out soon to confirm final arrangements.

## **Coming up**

Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	International Internet Safety Day	Assemblies and class lessons to help children understand importance of issue. Information to be sent home too.
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Parent Evening	3.50pm onwards - Book appointment online
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Parent Evening	5pm onwards - Book appointment online
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> February	INSET DAY	School closed to pupils
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> February	CASUAL HOLIDAY	
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	CASUAL HOLIDAY	
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	CASUAL HOLIDAY	
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	School Re-opens	

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