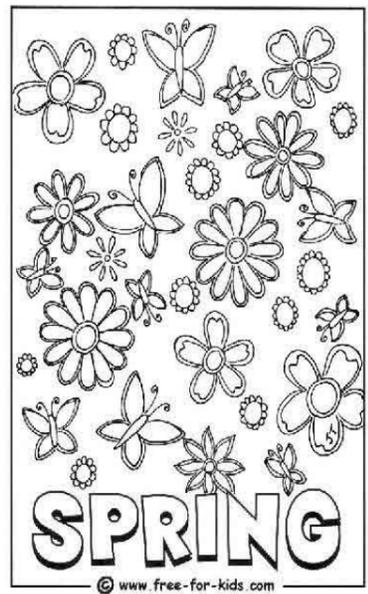


The Edenside Buzz

The Pupils' Voice - Spring 2019



I spy

Look for these signs of Spring when you are out and about. How many can you find?

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| a lamb | a crocus |
| a daffodil | a bird singing |
| a bud on a tree | snowdrops |
| blossom | a butterfly |
| a bumble bee | wild garlic |

Can you find the Spring words in our wordsearch?



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| lamb | butterfly | blossom |
| daffodil | frogspawn | flowers |
| chick | buds | spring |
| rain | grow | hatch |

Plastic Pollution

Through their topic "A Plastic Ocean" P6, P6/7 and P7 have been studying 'plastic pollution'. They have been finding out what they can do to help the environment by using less plastic and have been investigating ways to reduce their 'plastic footprint'. With the support of Edenside kitchen staff, pupils have already helped to make changes in the school dinner hall. Packed lunches are now being served on reusable plates rather than in plastic bags, plastic spoons are no longer being used and cups are being used instead of cartons of juice with plastic straws.

On the 26th February Mrs Brown and three pupils attended a Plastics Pollution workshop at Café U. They learned lots more about replacing plastic items with reusable ones.

In school we are still gathering old plastic toothbrushes for recycling. Keep up the great work, P6, P6/7 and P7!

P6 and P6/7 are planning a "Plastic Pollution" assembly we hope lots of the parents from these classes will come to find out some of the interesting things that we have learned. We will also be selling 'a mystery item' so please bring a little money with which to make your purchase!

Breakfast Club

Lots of us are now enjoying our school Breakfast Club from 8am each morning. We can have a choice of cereal, fruit and toast for only £1. It is also a great time to meet our friends and have a play and a chat before school starts!



Lady Bussers

Big Congratulations to Ellie Burton and Madison Wemyss who have been elected 2019 Edenside Lady Bussers! Our Edenside Ambassadors asked them to tell us what they felt when they heard the good news and what their expectations are for the year ahead.

Ellie and Madison were shocked and excited when they heard the news.

Madison jumped on Ellie!

They will be taking part in some of the dances with the Kelso Laddies and Ellie will be doing some of the ride-outs on her horse, Holly. They are both looking forward to declaration night, the Colour Bussing ceremony and the torchlight procession.

Their first meeting is at Broomlands on Monday, where they will meet the Broomlands Lady Bussers, Skye Nairn and Codi Watson.

We wish the girls very best of luck for a fun filled year!

This term we were delighted to welcome our new Deputy Head Teacher,

Mrs Karla Pearce!

The Edenside Ambassadors asked Mrs Pearce some questions to find out more about her and the things that she likes to do!

Here are some of the interesting things that we found out: -

Mrs Pearce was born in Orangeburg, South Carolina. She speaks English, Russian, Spanish and French. She wanted to be a teacher to make the world a better place for children. She has taught in America and also in Mid-Lothian and West-Lothian in Scotland. She likes teaching and has been a Deputy Head before. She was very excited when she heard that she was coming to Edenside!

Mrs Pearce has a 12 year old Dalmatian, a chicken who is 8 years old and two guinea pigs called Oscar and Leo. Her favourite hobby is gardening. She is married to a teacher. They have three children. Dylan is 21, Savannah is 19 and Rhys is 14.

Mrs Pearce is scared of snakes and also of not being able to help people. She is a vegetarian so her least favourite food is meat, her favourite is sweet foods.

Mrs Pearce's favourite children's book is "Wonder".

Thank-you Mrs Pearce!

Primary 3

Primary 3 have been finding out lots about the place they live, The Scottish Borders. They have been finding out about some of the towns in the Borders, where they are and the number of people that live in them.

As part of their topic P3 have been singing some Border songs and learning Scottish poetry. Some of their favourites are The Sair Finger, Twa Legged Mice, The Hippopotamus and The Crocodile.

Brilliant Bodies

Primary 3, 3/4, 4 and 4/5 will be delving into the wonderful world of the human machine. We will be exploring our skeleton, organs and digestive system and how we keep our bodies healthy.

We will be identifying the functions of various parts of our bodies and developing our understanding of how we work. We will also be exploring the movement of our bodies through joints and muscles and how we move in different ways. We aim to have a deeper understanding of our fascinating bodies in order to appreciate the importance of looking after our physical wellbeing.

Parent/Carers: It is really important that children's heads are checked on a regular basis to avoid head lice passing from head to head.

Dinosaurs

P1, P1/2 and P2 have been learning lots about Dinosaurs! We found out that dinosaurs lived millions of years ago almost all over the world. Scientists can find out about them by looking at their fossils. Not all dinosaurs lived at the same time. Some dinosaurs were huge and some were quite small. Some moved quickly and some were really slow.

Meat eating dinosaurs are called Carnivores and plant eating dinosaurs are called Herbivores. We found out that there are different theories about why dinosaurs are extinct. Some scientists think they died because an asteroid hit Earth, some think it was because of an ice age, some said it is because they got diseases and others think it was because of volcanoes erupting.

We are looking forward to our visit to 'The Museum of Scotland' in Edinburgh where we hope to see some dinosaur skeletons!

Building Resilience

As part of our Health and Well-being programme pupils have now looked at three different areas of our Building Resilience resource. During the first block "Be Resilient" we were introduced to Skipper. Skipper sails through the River of Life and teaches us how to cope when we come to rocky or tricky parts in our journey.

The next area focussed on "Keeping Connected". We learned that relationships are important for our Health and Well-being. We found out that belonging to a group can be a good way to make friends. We also learned that relationships are a two-way thing. We need our 'Back-up team' but in-turn we can be part of someone else's team and can support them.

We are now learning to "Respect Ourselves". We are finding out that we are unique and are good at different things. We are learning how to be healthy and how to look after ourselves.

Medieval Scotland

Over the next few weeks P5W will be heading outside and back in time to look at Medieval Scotland!

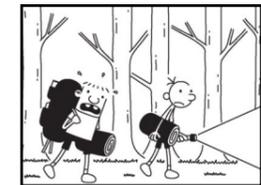
They are planning a visit to Hume Castle, a very important place during the Wars of Independence.

A real live archaeologist is unearthing the past at Hume. He has invited the class to help him with his digs during the Summer.

Hopefully they will keep us up to date with news of any exciting discoveries as they find them!

Pupils will also be learning some basic survival skills using only the landscape and resources around them. They are hoping to use natural resources to build shelters, will gather food from the woods and the streams, will create fire and bake their own bread!

Good luck and have fun, P5W!



RED NOSE DAY

P5W raised £30.85 for comic relief by donating £1 each to push Mrs Welch in the swimming pool.

Nursery News

Nursery pupils have been using their imaginations to build, create and explore "loose parts". Through their play, pupils are learning to work with others and to take calculated safe risks while developing communication skills, confidence and problem solving.

The Nursery children will be showing their Science Week activities to Primary 4S. The classes met in the Secret Garden to get to know each other better. All pupils had great fun exploring the garden.

We are all looking forward to the Secret Garden refurbishment, with new pathways, seating and planters already in place.