



Edenside Primary Newsletter

March 2019

From Mr Bewsey

I hope you all enjoyed the long February weekend and that your children are enjoying being back at school after a few days off. It's fair to say the weather this past few days has been quite changeable – the warm days were such a treat whilst the foggy days remind us that it's not quite spring. However, spring is in the air and the numerous flowers that are blooming around the school grounds is testament to that. I hope your children enjoy the coming weeks in class and outside as class teachers look for opportunities to take learning outdoors.

Staffing news

DHT: Since the last newsletter, we have now officially welcomed Mrs Karla Pearce to Edenside as the new DHT - many of you would have met her at the Parents Consultations.

P3P: We welcome Mr Alan Reid to our teaching team on a temporary basis covering P3P in Miss Pike's absence.

P6/7C: Unfortunately, Miss Cowan has been absent for a number of weeks now. P6/7C have enjoyed a mix of cover teachers including Mrs Pearce, Mr Bewsey and Mrs McLearn.

We hope Miss Cowan returns soon.

Mr Mabon: We wish Mr Mabon a speedy recovery after his operation, and look forward to seeing him back in school soon.

News round-up

Kelso Laddie – Lady Bussers: Every year, as part of the annual Kelso Laddies festivities, we are asked to select two 'lady bussers'. We invited P7 girls to submit an application explaining why they would like to be considered for the role. The group were then interviewed by our resident experts – Mrs Rae, Mrs Murray, Mrs Hogarth and Mrs Hill. After much deliberation the decision was made to invite Ellie Burton and Madison Wemyss to be the Edenside Lady Bussers for 2019. Congratulations girls!

PLEXUS donation: We were delighted to receive a £500 donation from PLEXUS this month, thanks to the fundraising efforts of the Kelso team. As per PLEXUS' request, these funds will be used to improve our pupils 'active' options, particularly in the playground. Watch this space!

Parent Consultations: We do hope you found the recent meeting with your child's class teacher helpful. This was the second of three meetings for this school year with the final session planned for May. If you were unable to attend recently, please contact the school and we will try to arrange an opportunity for you to discuss your child's learning.

Safer Internet Day: Back at the start of February, we 'celebrated' Safer Internet Day. The theme this year was understanding online consent. We shared a number of resources via Facebook and our website. If you haven't already seen the helpful parent/carer information, please visit www.saferinternet.org.uk.

Parent Council

A huge thank you to all parents and carers who generously supported the Bake Sale – either by baking or serving - earlier this month. We raised £240.00 which is another wonderful amount that will go towards improving your child's school experience.

For your diary... Thursday 14th March is the Spring Disco (in the evening) and Thursday 21st March is a Family Bingo Night. Further details for Bingo Night will follow shortly.

Other news

Breakfast Club: Our new 'BE READY' breakfast club started this week and has been well received. The P1 and P2 pupils (and their older siblings) have enjoyed tasty cereal, yummy toast and juicy fruit followed by play and chat. Mrs Hill and Miss Fojik are looking forward to welcoming the next cohort – P3 and P4 (+siblings) - from Monday 4th March. The cost is £1 per child, per day but if your child is entitled to free school meals, there is no charge. Please contact the school office if you have any questions.

Coming up

Euroquiz: On Wednesday 13th March, a small team of P6s will be representing Edenside in the annual Euroquiz – a quiz about Europe and the Eurozone. Good luck team!

Rotary Quiz: On the evening of Wednesday 13th March, a team of P7s will be representing Edenside in the annual Rotary Quiz – an inter-school quiz hosted by The Rotary Club.

Basketball tournament: Over the next couple of weeks, two teams of Primary 7s will compete in a local basketball tournament – one in Earlston, one in Kelso. Go Edenside!

Cross Country championship: On Thursday 14th March, an 'elite team' of P6s and 7s will compete in the annual Borders cross-country race. Just keep running!

Thursday 7 th	World Book Day	Every child to bring their book of choice to school (or select one from the school library).
Monday 11 th – Friday 15 th	Science Week	A week of science fun and investigation in classes
Thursday 14 th	School Disco	P1-3 (5.30 – 6.30pm) P4-7 (6.45 – 8.00pm)
Thursday 21 st	Family Bingo Night	Details to follow
Friday 29 th	Spring Church Service	9.45am, The Old Parish Church, (The Knowes)
Friday 29 th	School ends for Easter	Have a happy break!

Monday 15 th April	Back to school	
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