

Innellan Primary School

Newsletter

November 2016

I would like to welcome Vicky McKinven as a new member of the Innellan staff and Mikaila Mears as a student at Innellan. We would also like to extend a warm welcome to Helen Addis who will be teaching one day a week until Christmas. I hope they all enjoy their time with us. We have already had a very busy term and I can only imagine this one will be even busier.

Lauri Radford
Principal Teacher

PE

It would be appreciated if the P1-3 pupils could come to school wearing their kit and bring their school uniform with them to change into when they return from PE. Pupils PE bag should contain gym shoes, shorts and t-shirt. Could all pupils with long hair please come to school with it tied up on PE day.

Nut Free Zone

Due to the number of pupils and staff who have nut allergies we request that you don't give your child nuts as part of their play piece or lunch. This includes nutty spreads.

Equipment/toys

We would appreciate it if you could ensure that your child did not bring expensive items into school. It is very difficult for us to ensure that they do not lose or damage items and we are not insured for the loss or damage of personal items. If they do bring things into school staff cannot ensure that they are kept safe nor do they have the luxury of time to search for items that children misplace.

WOW Wednesday

Due to a rise in pupils within both schools we have decided that Wednesday 16th November will be our last WOW Wednesday. I am aware that it was due to continue for another 2 weeks however due to our Art Exhibitions that are on over the next few weeks we have to make this week the last one. Although our Wow Wednesdays will be finishing Miss Radford and Mrs Nitschke will continue to work together on Wednesdays, doing outdoor education and cross curricular learning.

Cowal Games Athletics



The P4/P5 enjoyed taking part in the Cowal Games Athletics in August. They joined pupils from other schools in Cowal to participate in various Scottish sports.



Interdisciplinary Art Topic

This term both classes have been busy working on their Enterprise topic, the children have decided to set up their own Artistic Art Gallery (their gallery name). As part of this theme we have had a number of artists come in to the school to teach the children some new skills and offer them new learning experiences. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr and Mrs McGowan for their hard work, enthusiasm and skills in helping the children to learn and experience new art opportunities.

We have also had local artists Don and Jean (Loch Fyne Studios) who have helped the children to produce some lovely pictures on canvas.

As part of this topic we will be opening the Artistic Art Gallery on Wednesday 23rd November 2pm-4pm for parents and the wider community to come and view all the children's fantastic art work. There will be a small entry fee/ticket which will include tea/coffee, workshops by some of our artists and tours of the gallery.

We will also be hosting an Art Exhibition/Auction on Wednesday 30th November 6pm-8pm at Innellan School. The children's art work, from both schools, is up for grabs along with some donated pieces from local artists.

Halloween



Our Halloween fun day was a great success. The children thoroughly enjoyed creating magic potions and taking part in various Halloween activities. They enjoyed their costume parade where they all got into character. Think their favourite part was creating mummies out of toilet paper!



P7 Benmore

The P7 pupils will be attending a residential weekend at Benmore next year. They have already started the fundraising by hosting a tea room at Dunoon Grammar School Craft Fair earlier this month. In order to help Sam and Joe make their target they have decided to have a 'Guess the Sweeties in a Jar' which will be starting next week. If anyone would like to take a guess it will be 20p per go.

Dates for your Diary:

Wednesday 23rd November 2016 - Art Exhibition 2pm-4pm

Wednesday 30th November 2016 – Art Auction 6pm-8pm

Tuesday 29th November – Monday 5th December – Scholastic Book Fair (times to be confirmed)

Friday 2nd December 2016 - Christmas Movie Night

Wednesday 21st December – Dunoon Grammar School Panto 1.30pm

Wednesday 21st December – Christmas Carols by Candlelight at Innellan PS 4.30pm-6pm