



Newsletter

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Welcome to the sixth edition of our newsletter. What a busy Term 3 we have had at Riverbank so far. This term has seen every class learn about their local area of Dalmarnock and the rich history that goes with that. We have had trips to the Science Centre, Royal Concert Hall, People's Palace and Pinkston Basin Watersports Centre. Lots of exciting teaching and learning has happened in classrooms too and it is a pleasure to see happy children coming to Riverbank every day. Only 4 weeks left of this term and still lots to fit in!

Parent Council

We are very lucky at Riverbank to have an active



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and supportive Parent Council. We are always looking for new members. If you would like to find out more please email on riverbankprimarypc@gmail.com or come to the next meeting which will be Monday 27th April at 6pm at the school.

Lost Property



We have now got a Lost Property cupboard at our front office. Here we place any lost property found in the school. Please take some time to look through this if your child has misplaced something.

Attendance

Excellent attendance in school is expected from everyone. We understand that children can sometimes be off ill or that there may be a family emergency. We are committed to supporting our families with attendance to ensure our children are achieving and not missing out on learning experiences. Our attendance for the month of January is as follows:

P1 – 95.83%

P2 – 94.03%

P3 – 93.06%

P4 – 93.44%

P5 – 94.32%

P6 – 94.58%

P7 – 94.4%

While these figures may seem good we are aiming for 100% attendance across the board. Please remember we are here to support maximum attendance in partnership with our Home School Support Workers. Please get in touch if there is anything we can help with.



The Lion King

We entered a ballot for tickets for The Lion King musical and were successful in gaining 50 pupil tickets for the 26th March! Our P5, P6 and P7 children will be going and we hope it will be a fabulous experience for them. We are using some of our Pupil Equity Funding for this trip so that there is no cost to our parents and carers. Our wonderful Parent Council will be supplying popcorn and juice for the theatre too – thank you to them.

Health and Wellbeing

You will have seen a lot of news stories in the press about the spread of Coronavirus. At Riverbank we have reinforced the importance of washing hands thoroughly after

sneezing and regularly throughout the day. Please reinforce this message with your child at home to ensure we are all keeping ourselves safe.



Playground and Timings

A gentle reminder to everyone that dogs, no matter how small are not allowed into the school playground. This is to ensure the safety of our children. If you need to bring your dog please arrange to meet your child at the school gate at 3pm.

Can I also remind you that Breakfast Club starts at 8:00am and stops at 8:45am. In order to have breakfast children should be in the club for no later than 8:35am. School staff will be in the playground from 8:45am. No children should be entering through the main door before 8:45am if they are not going to Breakfast Club. There is no supervision of children at this time and we cannot guarantee their safety. Thank you for your support with this.

From Monday 9th March we are changing our system of lining up in the mornings.

When the warning bell goes at 8:55am children will come straight into the school building. Children can continue to come into the building up until 9am as normal. This allows for children to be settled in the class on time and ready for learning. All children should enter through the main playground door at 8:55. The class teachers will open ground floor classroom doors at 9am to allow any other children through. We will operate the same system at breaks and lunches too. We hope this will allow children to be more ready for learning and give teachers even more time for teaching and learning. .

Parent's Appointments

Parent meetings with class teachers takes place on Thursday 19th March. Your appointment time will be going out to you soon. Please keep an eye in schoolbags for letters. We look forward to seeing you all there.

School Funds

As you know, all of our fundraising efforts result in lots of learning experiences for our children. Here are some of our recent purchases with the money you have helped to raise:

Resources for STEM, Trips to the Science Centre (Bus costs), two author visits, panto for Christmas, books for Book Week. Thank you for your continued efforts – we really appreciate it.

Sport Relief

Friday 13th March is Sport Relief Day. Every child will take home a sponsor sheet (attached) to look for sponsorship to take part in being active next week. We are being supported in this by the Sports Leaders from Eastbank Academy. On that Friday children can come to school in sports kit – please remember no football colours. All monies raised will go towards Sport Relief.



Relationships, Sexual Health and Parenting Education

In Scotland we have a new resource that has been developed to help schools teach about relationships and sexual health. We are aiming to use this resource in Term 4, after the Easter break. We are holding a parent information session on Wednesday 1st April at 6pm to allow parents to look at the resource and ask any questions you may

have. If you would like to view the resource before the meeting you will find it at

<https://rshp.scot>

Movie Night

Our Parent Council are organising a Movie Night for the 2nd April at 6pm in the school. There is a cost of £2 per family. There will be popcorn and a drink for children too. The pupils will decide on the movie over the next few weeks. We look forward to seeing lots of you there!



School Website

We are delighted to say that our school website is now live! You can find us at:

<http://www.riverbank-pri.glasgow.sch.uk/>

Here you will find photos, diary dates, curriculum information, policies, handbooks etc. We are in the process of updating it all so please bear with us. If you have any suggestions for the site please get in touch with us.

Diary Dates

Please see below some additional dates to add to the diary for this term:

11th March - Parent STEM Event in school at 2pm

Friday 13th March – Sport Relief (children in sports kit)

Monday 16th March – Book Fair in school all week

Monday 19th March – Parents Appointments

Thursday March 26th – Lion King trip (leaving school at 5:30pm)

Monday 30th March – P6 to Eastbank Academy for transition (bring PE kit)

Wednesday 1st April – Relationships, Sexual Health and Parenting Information session at school at 6pm (al parents)

Thursday 2nd April –Movie Night in the school

Friday 3rd April – Non Uniform Day (£1 each for school funds)

Friday 3rd April – Easter Bonnet and Easter Egg competition in school

As a reminder, school closes at 2:30pm on Friday 3rd April. I hope you all have a great Spring Holiday when it comes and we look forward to seeing you on 20th April.