

## **Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

Congratulations to Amie, Rhys, Natasha and Mya who are our latest Gold Merit Award achievers. Well done everyone.

Primary 7s enjoyed their cluster STEM activities afternoon at Broughton High School this week alongside children from the other cluster schools. P6s had a good visit to Stirling Castle despite the heavy rain and lots of walking. Thankfully the heavy rain didn't dampen the spirits of the children in P3 who enjoyed visiting the Botanic Gardens. P4A welcomed their parents and families to their fabulous assembly where they showed off their knowledge of languages and countries.

Next week P3A will present their class assembly on Wednesday afternoon and it'll be the turn of P5B on Thursday afternoon. P4B are visiting the Water of Leith and nursery visits continue to Blackhall Library.

A reminder from the newsletter sent out on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of May, we are opening our classroom doors for parents to visit their child's classrooms at 11.45 on Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> June. You'll be able to sit with your child and look through the work they've done in school this year before we begin packing up for the summer holiday. This is a very informal event intended to give you the opportunity to visit and spend time in the classrooms.

We are currently working on staffing for classes for next year and will confirm this by the second last week of term so children can 'Meet the (new) Teacher' on Monday, 24<sup>th</sup> June. Miss Gordon and Miss Crerar will be our Primary 1 class teachers and Mrs Johnstone will be our P1/2 class teacher. Our nursery to Primary 1 and Primary 7 to Secondary 1 transition activities continue.

Thank you to parent volunteers who opened up our stocks of lost property and uniform for recycling. They hope to be in the playground at 8.30 on Wednesday mornings on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> June. If you'd like to donate good quality uniform for the benefit of other families, we'd be very grateful to receive this. We're also looking for wellies for nursery children which could be dropped off at these times as well. Remember it's the Parent Council's Cake Bake Sale on Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> June. We would love if you'd donate cakes for us to sell or give your child a little money to buy a cake.

From the log books: In August 1967 the Headmaster and some pupils visited a Garden Party at Heriot's School to receive the Edinburgh Festival Art Prize for their mural. In June 1969 there was an outbreak of dysentery at the school and after a Public Health visit, use of a particular disinfectant and handwashing following use of lavatories was advised. In October 1969 the auxiliary nurse 'inspected' the children before they were allowed to go to school camp. On the 24<sup>th</sup> of November 1969 pupils were permitted late arrival up to 9.30 because of British Standard Time. Completing the entries for the 1960s was note of break-in at the school during the Christmas holidays reporting slight damage to a metal cabinet and the secretary's desk. A number of items were reported missing to the value of five pounds.

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