

Swinton Primary School Newsletter

Welcome to our October Newsletter

We hope you all had a good October week and managed to spend time relaxing and recharging. Our next term is a busy one with a continued focus on Learning for Sustainability, as well as Numeracy and Literacy. We also have the excitement of our Halloween Day and Christmas to look forward to.

This term we welcome Mrs Mulholland back from Maternity Leave. We are fortunate to have Mrs Mulholland and Miss Tweedie providing learning support. We also welcomed Mrs Sutherland back from Maternity Leave. Mrs Sutherland works alongside Ms Crum in the office.

As part of our improvement work this year, we will continue to embed Children's Rights education across our curriculum and work hard to ensure all children feel included and their well being is supported. We want Parents and Carers to be included in this work and we will be having a Parent Focus group on Wednesday 27th October after school to discuss your hopes and wishes for the children of Glasgow. I will send a separate email with more details and hope some of you would like to come along and share your thoughts.



We hope you all have a happy, healthy Term 2. *E. Gillies*

A reminder that children should bring a filled bottle of water each day to keep hydrated. This should be plain water only and not diluted juice.



As the weather becomes more Autumnal we would ask that your child comes to school with a warm, waterproof jacket. We will be continuing with outdoor learning and it is important children have waterproof clothing and appropriate footwear to keep them warm and dry (these items can be kept in school, unless they need taken home to be washed). If any families need assistance with warm jackets - please do not hesitate to get in touch with me.

This term classes will be continuing with their 'Global Storylines' to develop their skills as Global Citizens and knowledge of the environment and how we can make changes to protect it.

Nearly all families are now connected to the Seesaw Family App. We hope having a virtual window into the classroom helps you to feel connected to your child's learning and their school day. We would urge any families not connected to join as soon as possible so you are not missing important information.

All our children enjoyed their Cinematic theatre experience performed by M and M Productions.

We look forward to welcoming the group back again in December a Pantomime production of Sleeping Beauty.

Reporting to Parents

With current restrictions in school still in place we will be unable to hold face to face Parents' Evening this term. Instead, we will be scheduling phone call appointments. We want to be able to speak to you about your child's progress and next steps. We will be in touch soon with more details.

Halloween

Already there is great excitement amongst the children with Halloween drawing closer! I have had many chats in the morning about how many 'sleeps' it is until Halloween. On Friday 29th October, we will be having a Halloween Fun day in school. Your child can come to school dressed in a Halloween costume (or non-uniform if they would prefer). Children should not bring 'props' for their costume. We will have a class disco, parade and prizes for most original costume! Children will have a party with their class and the Parent Group will be providing party treats - juice, crisps and sweets. On the day we would ask for a donation for Chuck it in the Bucket which will be for the Parent Group Fund. This fund is used throughout the year for special events such as Halloween, Christmas and Easter and extra treats are funded with this money. We know the children will have a great day! If you have any spare decorations we could use to 'spookify' the school, we would much appreciate them! Thank you.

Christmas

Unfortunately we will be unable to invite you to class Christmas performances this year. However, we are planning to create an online event for you to watch each class' Christmas performance. We know how much children benefit from working towards a performance for an audience and the confidence this develops and we hope they will have as much fun with an online performance as with a live one.

Primary 1-4 will have Christmas parties, and may even have a special visitor! P5-7 will have a Christmas Ceilidh. We will provide more details nearer the events.

Refuweegee Fundraiser

Thank you for your generosity with Chuck it in the Bucket to raise money for Refuweegee. With your support, we raised £280. This money will help refugees arriving in Glasgow, including providing welcome and essential packs.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 29th October- Halloween Fun Day
- 20th December- Sleeping Beauty Pantomime
- 22nd December- School closes at 2.30pm for Christmas Holidays. Pupils return on 5th January.