

THE MILLER MONTHLY APRIL/MAY 2022

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Our Website Address:

www.miller-pri.glasgow.sch.uk

Our Twitter is: @millerprimary

Parent Council: Please call the office if you would like to join.

Chair: Mark Ingram

Child Protection Co-ordinator: Mrs Booth. Please speak to her about

any concerns re a child's safety and welfare.

School Vision: Miller Primary strives to Get It Right for Every Child by embracing uniqueness and setting high standards for all.

School Values:

Rainbow Respect and Responsibility



Amber Ambition



Mathy Learning

Oscar Trust and Honesty
 School Motto: Together we'll succeed

Absence Line: Please call them if your child is not coming to school: 0141 287 0039

Health Promotion



We are a Health Promoting School, so please only send a healthy snack and a bottle for water into school.

Healthy snacks= healthy children= on and learning= more progress. Dear Parents / Carers,

Sorry for the delay in sending this newsletter to you. March and April continued to be busy months in the school and since we have returned from the holidays, we have had changes to the restrictions for Covid-19 which have allowed other services into the school and so we have been inviting people in to enhance our children's learning. P3 were visited by Women's Aid to pilot a new lesson on feeling safe / unsafe and the children responded well to it. Primary 3 and Primary 7 also had workshops from Seymour Safety to look at Carbon Monoxide which helped to develop their awareness of this within the home and strengthen their understanding of safety. Primary 1 and Primary 1/2 have continued to work with Stuart Whittaker - Ranger for Castlemilk Woods- to explore our local woods. Primary 6a and Primary 6b have completed their Barriers and Bridges project on discrimination which they thoroughly enjoyed. Primary 5 organised a very successful Red Nose Day in March which raised a smile and some well needed funds for Charity. Thanks to all those who donated.

Restrictions easing has allowed us to also go ahead and book a summer outing to Calderglen Park with P1-4 going together one day and the next day P5-7 will go. The children will visit the animals and they will have fun in the park including outdoor learning opportunities. In order to fund the cost of the bus and the visit to the animals, we would like to raise funds by having our class hampers again. We are looking for donations of items of the class colour to be sent in by Tuesday 20th May. Please help us in our fund raising. Tickets will go on sale on Monday 16th May 2022 at £1 a strip and it will be drawn at Parents' Night on 26.05.22:

Primary 1: Blue
Primary 2/1: Pink
Primary 2/3: Purple
Primary 3: Gold
Primary 4: Silver
Primary 5: Green
Primary 6a: Red
Primary 6b: Black
Primary 7: White

Parents' Night is on the 26.05.22 and you will be sent your time slot this week if it has not already been sent. Please do not come into the building until 5 mins before your appointment. At Parents' Night we will be asking your opinions and ideas via a survey about the school and our way forward. Please take time to complete the survey as your voice and ideas shape our school improvement.

Homework is something we looked at this session and we changed back to paper-based home learning and we have gathered statistics over the year. On average, under 50% of children in every class complete their homework and research has shown that homework is not effective in raising attainment in Primary Schools. Therefore, we are proposing that we do not have homework next session as it is a lot of preparation for staff who could be spending more time preparing for class lessons as less than half the children complete it. There is a question in the survey for you to voice your views on this.

Thank you

Lorraine Booth (Head Teacher)



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Important Information

Retiral

Mrs Coulter our Depute Head Teacher will be retiring at the start of xthe Summer Holidays after 30 years of teaching in Castlemilk. I am sure there are many of you who were taught by Mrs Coulter. The Parent Council would like to collect your memories in a book where you can leave a personal message or story for Mrs Coulter. Please speak to Mark Ingram or a member of the Parent Council if you want to add to the book. You can do this at the start of June.

As Mrs Coulter has been such a prominent figure in Castlemilk schools, the Parent Council would like to collect money from those who wish to contribute to buy Mrs Coulter a present from the Parents and the children. Please speak to the Parent Council if you want to donate some money or call the school office to arrange this.

We would like to wish Mrs Coulter a happy retirement and thank her for all she has done for the children of our community. She will be very much missed.

Fun Day

The Parent Council also want to bring the Fun day back to the school this session where the children and staff can get together and have fun outdoors. This event will only be for the children as we need to limit numbers to ensure that all children feel fully included as some of our children experience distress with large crowds and others felt upset when family members were not able to come to previous fun days to be with them. The fun day will be on 23.06.22 and the children can wear their own clothes that day. We would ask that all children bring a packed lunch with them or you order a packed lunch on Parent Pay to allow the children to continue to play over lunchtime.

Dates for the Diary - Please note all events are subject to change due to Government Guidance.

- 12.05.22: P1 Enhanced Transition 2 at 13:30
- 19.05.22: 13:30 P1 Induction Session 1
- 26.05.22: P1 Transition 2 and whole school transition
- 26.05.22: Parents' Night from 3:30-8:30
- 27.05.22: Holiday
- 30.05.22: Children return to school
- 01.06.22: P1 Induction 3 / Whole school induction 2
- 02.06.22: Holiday
- 03.06.22: Holiday
- 06.06.22: Outdoor Learning week
- 07.06.22: Calderglen Visit P1-4
- 08.06.22: Calderglen Visit P5-7
- 09.06.22: Possible Sports Day: 9:30-10:30
 P1-3 11:00-12:00 P4-7
- 13.06.22: P7 Prom 7-9
 - 17.06.22: Leavers' Assembly at 9:30am
 - 21.06.22: Awards Ceremony 9:15
 - 23.06.22: Fun Day for Children only
 - 24.06.22: School Closes at 1pm
 - 15.08.22: Staff Return In-Service Day 1-Children on Holiday
 - 16.08.22: In-Service Day 2- Children on Holiday
 - 17.08.22: Children Return to school



Head Lice

Head lice can spread so quickly and so it is important that you keep checking your child's hair weekly to stop head lice from becoming an issue. The following website will give you more information: www.nhs.uk/conditions/Head-lice/Pages/Introduction.aspx for more information