

# Newsletter 5

## January 2025



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Dear families,

Happy New Year to all of our families, friends and community! We hope you had the most wonderful festive period and the New Year has brought you nothing but happiness so far.

It has been so lovely to see the children returning to school bright eyed and bushy tailed! They have been regaling us with stories of the lovely times that they had over the holidays and sharing their anecdotes of the fun they have had.

We also appreciate that not every holiday period was filled with joy. Please remember that we are here to help and support wherever we can and we welcome you getting in touch.

Thank you to all of you for your support, encouragement, attendance and engagement throughout the very busy term we have had. Our choir, nativities, fayre, assemblies, shows, parties and parent engagement activities were all so very well received and the children did themselves proud! Let's hope for more of the same this year!

Love and best wishes,  
Elaine Cooke



## Sustainability Matters

Our Eco Committee are welcoming donations of good condition winter clothes (bottoms, jumpers, fleeces, boots, hats, scarves, gloves) for their Sustainability Rail. Remember, we have a large stock of school uniforms, jackets available year round. Please let us know if you can make use of any items. Reduce, Reuse, Recycle!!!



Get donating those Pre-Loved  
WINTER CLOTHES AND  
BOOTS this month!

## Monthly Focus Days: Scottish Celebration



Our Scottish Assembly will take place on the 31st January. Each class will be presenting a song and/or a poem to the rest of the school. We will be celebrating Burns and exploring our Scottish heritage and culture.

On Friday 31st January, all children will be invited to wear a touch of Scotland to school! This might be a tartan shirt, a tartan scrunchie, a ribbon or rosette, a Scotland football or rugby top or simply the colours blue and white. Please do not feel that you have to buy anything new for this!





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## Being Active Matters

All of our children in P4-7 have benefitted from sessions at the local tennis centre with Luke from Achieve More. We are delighted to share that our P1-3 children will be receiving tennis sessions as of next Friday (17th). These will take place in our MUGA.



Primary 5 are now being offered 4 weeks of Team Sports as an after school club starting next Wednesday (15th). Look out on Parents' Portal for the details!



## Being Healthy Matters



In conjunction with chefs and SLC, Primary 5 - Primary 7 have the opportunity to participate in Our Kids Kitchen classes for 4 weeks beginning on 17th January. They will explore healthy menus, healthy food choices and cooking.

At the final session, parents will be invited to share in a cooking demonstration session in collaboration with the children. More information coming very soon on Parents' Portal.

## Achievement Matters

Our P7 led a phenomenal Christmas assembly last term. The script was written by our very own superstar, Ciara, who did an amazing job. We are very proud of the talent within our school!



## Registration Matters

Will your child have their 5th birthday before 1st March 2025?

Registration for Primary 1 2025 takes place during the week beginning 13th January 2025.



You should register your child at their catchment school. If you are unsure which school this may be, check it out at: [www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk/info/200140/education\\_and\\_learning/770/school\\_catchment\\_area\\_maps](http://www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk/info/200140/education_and_learning/770/school_catchment_area_maps)

**Registration is online** and can be completed using the link below:

[https://www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk/info/200186/primary\\_school\\_information/392/enrolling\\_your\\_child\\_for\\_school](https://www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk/info/200186/primary_school_information/392/enrolling_your_child_for_school)

The online registration form will ask you to provide each child's full birth certificate and two pieces of recent official documentation both containing your permanent home address for example a utility bill, council tax statement, housing rent card, child benefit documentation. Proof of where the child lives may also be needed. Please note that a registration is required for each child (e.g. twins require a registration each).

For Placing Requests, please still register for your catchment school and then submit a placing request form. Further information can be found at: [https://www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk/info/200186/primary\\_school\\_information/569/school\\_placing\\_requests](https://www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk/info/200186/primary_school_information/569/school_placing_requests)



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## Diary Date Matters

**JANUARY**

Mon 6th	Back to school
Mon 6th	Attendance Audits
Mon 6th	This month: Hand in Winter clothes/boots
Wed 8th	Last Session: P5 FUNdamentals of Music
Fri 10th	YLOL (Pupil Council) Planning Meeting
Mon 13th	P1 (2025/26) Registration Week
Mon 13th	Mr Thomson (Student) in P7
Mon 13th	Homework Grids out
Mon 13th	Attendance Meetings
Mon 13th	Netball After School Club
Mon 13th	Assessment Week-Wellbeing and Motivation
Tue 14th	Nursery Literacy Stay and Play
Wed 15th	Halfmerke YLOL to Maxwelllton
Wed 15th	P5 Team Sports After School Club
Thu 16th	Nursery Literacy Stay and Play
Thu 16th	Inclusion Sports Hall Athletics
Fri 17th	Our Kids Kitchen Classes (P5-7)
Fri 17th	Boys' Football After School Club
Mon 20th	Assessment Week - Literacy
Mon 20th	Netball After School Club
Tue 21st	Girls' Football After School
Wed 22nd	Halfmerke YLOL to Maxwelllton
Wed 22nd	P5 Team Sports After School Club
Fri 24th	Rev. Sarah to Assembly
Fri 24th	Our Kids Kitchen Classes (P5-7)
Fri 24th	Boys' Football After School Club
Mon 27th	Assessment Week - Numeracy
Mon 27th	Netball After School Club
Tue 28th	Girls' Football After School Club
Wed 29th	P5 Team Sports After School Club
Fri 31st	Whole School Scottish Assembly
Fri 31st	Our Kids Kitchen Classes (P5-7)
Fri 31st	Boys' Football After School Club

## Diary Date Matters

**February**

Mon 3rd	Attendance Audits
Mon 3rd	This month: Hand in sportswear/trainers
Mon 3rd	Miss McGettrick (Student) in P6
Mon 3rd	Netball After School Club
Mon 3rd	Parent Council AGM 6pm All Welcome!
Tue 4th	P7 SLC Arts Session 1
Tue 4th	Girls' Football After School Club
Wed 5th	P5 Team Sports After School Club
Wed 5th	P1 and P7 Dental Inspections
Fri 7th	Our Kids Kitchen Classes (P4-7)
Fri 7th	SLLC Final
Fri 7th	Boys' Football After School Club
Mon 10th	STEM Week
Mon 10th	Netball After School Club
Tue 11th	P7 SLC Arts Session 2
Tue 11th	Girls' Football After School Club
Thu 13th	Netball Fun Fives, Ally McCoist Complex
Fri 14th	Boys' Football After School Club
Mon 17th	HOLIDAY
Tues 18th	HOLIDAY
Wed 19th	INSERVICE DAY
Thu 20th	Pupils Return
Thu 20th	P7 Enhanced Transition Meeting
Fri 21st	Boys' Football After School Club
Mon 24th	Netball After School Club
Tue 25th	Nursery Numeracy Stay and Play
Tue 25th	P7 SLC Arts Session 3
Wed 26th	Football Festival
Thu 27th	Nursery Numeracy Stay and Play
Fri 28th	P7 Transition Visit (PE)
Fri 28th	Boys' Football After School Club