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Our Vision: Nurturing and inspiring everyone to reach their full potential.

Our Values: Responsibility, Ambition, Manners, Respect, Effort.



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March Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

One World Event

The staff and learners are looking forward to inviting you to our One World Event on *Friday* **22nd March.** The children are very excited about being able to celebrate their learning with their community.

<u>Health</u> Promoting School

As a Health Promoting School, please could you



ensure that our children do not bring sweet or sugary snacks in in for their play snack or packed lunches. Following our successful visits from Childsmile last week the children are aware of ways in which they can improve their dental health at mealtimes.

Nut Free School

Please remember we are a nut free school. No snacks containing nuts should be given to children to bring to school.

Parent Council Events

Our Parent Council recently organised two really successful discos for our children. The children chose the themes for the discos and a great time was had by all!



They have issued an Easter Egg drawing competition to be completed at home. All entries are to be back in by 25^{th.} March.



There will be one winner per stage.

They will also be selling tickets on 22nd March during our "One World" celebration for an Easter Hamper and "Name the Bear" competition.

P7 Residential Trip 2024

Following the Easter holidays, Primary 7 will be embarking on their residential



trip to Abernethy Barcaple. They will be leaving on Wednesday 17th April and return on Friday 19th April at approximately 3:30pm. The children are all very excited to try something new and looking forward to canoeing, wall climbing and completing the team challenge course. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Wilson.

Transition Update

A transition newsletter has been sent to our new P1 parents and we look forward to welcoming them to join us in a variety of events in the coming weeks.

A selection of our P7 pupils have begun their enhanced transition to Hermitage Academy. All of our Primary seven children will be involved in their transition events in Term 3, across two days.

The primary 7 transition dates for this year are *Thursday* 6th June and *Friday* 7th June.

Nurture News

We have had Nurture provision available in school for a number of years at John Logie Baird and having seen the benefits this can bring we have decided as a staff to formally adopt this approach across the school in all classes for all of our pupils, including the ELCC. Nurture is based on six principles and we will use these principles to guide us going forward.



This means that we will be working together to ensure that our pupils can come to school and experience



a 'nurturing environment' - we will be giving consideration to how our school looks, sounds and feels and making changes accordingly. We will also be working together to implement 'nurturing approaches' - and in order to do this we will be taking our lead from the six 'Nurture Principles'

All of this will take time to embed, and we will be working on



implementing one or two principles at a time, but we hope as time moves forward you will see positive changes in our school, to ensure your children have a very Nurturing experience at John Logie Baird. We have put it on our School Improvement Plan that we are hoping to achieve a Nurturing Schools Award Bronze Level from OCTNE - (Our Children Their Nurturing Education). We will keep you updated on our progress!

Month of the Military child

April is designated as the Month of the Military Child, which highlights the important role children play in the Armed Forces community. It is a time to applaud Armed Forces families and their children for the daily sacrifices they make and the challenges they overcome.

We will be celebrating "**Purple Up**" day on Friday 26th April . Our children can wear purple to show their support for Armed Forces children on this day

Month of the Military Child Author Visit

We are delighted to announce that on **Monday 15th April** the children will receive a visit from an author who will be sharing his work and offering the children some exciting activities to take part in.

<u>Xpressions</u>

Please contact our school office if you are not receiving regular updates on the Expressions app. This may be due to an email address error. There are still a number of families that are not registered on "Expressions". Please ensure that you contact us if you require any support.



iPay impact

Please remember that all families must register for " iPay Impact", even those who provide their child with a packed lunch. Please contact us if you require support.

Attendance

It is very important that children attend school regularly for their own benefit socially, emotionally and academically. We communicate with parents of children who require improving attendance. We are here to help so do not hesitate to contact us should you need it.

If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason please remember to alert the school before 9am via phone call or the Xpressions App.

Let's work together to value the importance of school and help make all our children successful learners!

ELC Gate

The ELC gate will open from 9am until 9.15am. If you arrive at nursery after this time, please come to the school entrance and ring for assistance. This is to ensure minimal disruption to the flow of learning within the nursery after this time. Thank you for your understanding. Armed Forces Day

Our Armed Forces Garden Party takes place on Friday 17th May. Further details will go out about this closer to the time.

P7 Leavers Dance

The leaver's dance will take place on the evening of Wednesday 26th June at the Rosslea hotel.

Dates for your Diary

Fri 22 nd Mar	One World Celebration, 13:45
Wed 27 th Mar	Easter Service, 1.30pm
Thurs 28 th Mar	School closes, 2.30pm
Mon 15 th Apr	School opens, 9.00am
Wed 17 th – Fri 19 th Apr	P7 Residential Experience
Friday 26th April	Purple Up Day
Thurs 9 th May	Sports Day
Fri 10 th May	Alternative Sports Day



Fri 17 th May	Garden Party to celebrate 'Armed Forces Day'
Mon 20 th May	Pupil Progress Reports sent out
Thurs 23 rd May	School closes, 3.00pm
	Parents' Evening
Fri 24 th May	In-service Day
Tues 28 th May	School opens, 9.00am
Thurs 5 th June	P7 Transition Date
Friday 6 th June	P7 Transition Date
Wed 19 th June	JLB Awards Ceremony, 1.30pm
Wed 26 th June	P7 Leavers Dance

Fri 28 th	School closes,
June	1.00pm

Best wishes, JLB Staff Team

