

Livingston Village Primary School

Newsletter

October 2017

School Update

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

We have had a very busy and enjoyable first month back at school. The P1's have settled in well and our P5's have just returned from a successful school camp at Low Port. We do thank Mrs Taylor, Mrs Young and Mrs Hill for giving up their personal time to give our P5's this valuable experience.

We look forward to meeting you during our Parent Consultations and we would like to use this opportunity to ask for your views. Look out for myself and Mr McCallum-McKay in the entrance foyer as you arrive or leave and take time to answer some questions. It would be greatly appreciated.

You will have an opportunity to purchase books at our Book Fair which will run during both evenings. Children will have the opportunity during school time to visit this fair and if they wish, select a book. Their selection will be noted down for you.

We thank you for your support and contributions for the Macmillan Coffee Morning. It was a well supported event and we raised £515. We do appreciate your ongoing efforts to work with the school in raising funds and collaborating in the learning experience.

Warm regards

Mrs Mill



Health & Safety

To ensure everyone's safety, the picking up and setting down of children in our school car park is not permitted. Please use the drop off bay or park in one of the nearby streets or car parks.

Can I also remind you not park on the zig-zag lines beside the zebra crossing? Thank you.

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Open Door Policy

Communication with Staff. In the first instance please contact your Class Teacher who will endeavor to respond to your concern and/ or pass on to the HT or PT

Inveralmond High School

A reminder that as part of our P7 transition events, parents are invited to attend an Open Evening on Wednesday 25th October 2017 from 6pm to 8pm at ICHS

Sporting Activities

As you will be aware, our school is in the process of applying for our 3rd Gold School Sport Award. In order to aid us we would like to set up a LVPS PE and Sport twitter page. This page will be run by Mr Stewart and members of the sports committee. On the page you will find information about PE, school sport, extra curricular clubs and pictures of all the great work we are doing to promote being active and leading a healthy lifestyle. If you do not want your child to be on the LVPS Sport and PE twitter page can you please contact the school office. Many schools are now using twitter and we think this will be a fantastic opportunity to showcase all the great work the children do.

Harvest Church Service

Our end of term service for P1—P3 pupils will be held on Thursday 12th October at 2.00 p.m. in Livingston Village Church. We look forward to seeing many of you there to join with us in our Harvest Festival Service. As usual we will be collecting non-perishable food to make a Harvest donation. This year these will go to the WLFoodbank. We will be collecting food for the foodbank starting the week of 2nd October. Children can bring donations to school and they will by collected and sorted by helpers in P7.

rice Parent Consultations

Consultations will take place on Wednesday 11th October from 5.30—8.00 p.m. and Thursday 12th October from 4.00—6.30 p.m. Appointment times will be issued nearer the time.

October Break

School closes on Friday 13th October at 12.05 and pupils return on Tuesday 24th October. Staff resume on 23rd October. We hope you have an enjoyable break.

Breakfast Club

Please be reminded that Breakfast Club starts at **8:00** am and therefore the school doors will not be answered before this. Staff involved require the time before to set up the hall in preparation for the children arriving.

P5 Handball Festival

Our Primary 5 pupils will have the opportunity to attend a Handball Festival on Tuesday 10th October at ICHS Transport will be provided. Cost to parents £2.50.



Milk Money

Milk money is now due for next term, October until December cost is £8.36. This can be paid electronically on ipay impact or at the school office.

Thanks



Website



Over the coming weeks we will be activating our new and exciting school website. Here you will find lots of information relating to LVPS . We will keep you posted and send a link as soon as it goes live. Tel: 01506 429620 Fax: 01506 419408

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Scottish National Standardised Assessments

As you may have already heard, the Scottish Government are introducing standardised assessments for all P1, P4 & P7 children this year. The assessments will be completed online in school. These assessments will be age and stage appropriate and cover aspects of reading, writing and working with numbers. This information will be used alongside information gained from other assessments and teacher's professional judgement when considering children's progress and planning and next steps in learning. It is the view of WL Council that P7 children be assessed early in the year to best support them as they prepare for transition to High School. P1s and P4s will be assessed in April/May.

P7 parents will soon receive a photo copy of "Assessing Children's Progress: A guide for parents and carers".P1 and P4 parents and carers will get a copy in the Spring.Should you wish to have your own copy you can download it at

https://www.education.gov.scot/parentzone/Documents/

parent-leaflet-assessing-progress.pdf

Staff are currently attending training. Our children are familiar with online assessments so should cope very well. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to get in touch.

All for the children for all of the children !

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Pupil's name and class:_

Please feel free to comment on any item in the newsletter or anything else regarding school. We always value your feedback on how we can continue to improve.

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