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Dear Parent/Carer

## **May Newsletter**

We are into May and entering an extremely busy time of year. There are a number of pieces of information we would like to share.

### **Parent Council Spring Fair**

As you know we are holding our Spring Fair on Saturday 12 May. The gates open at 1pm (Otago Street, Clock Tower entrance and the gates in the park at the bottom of the Grove). Entry is £1 for adults and 50p for children. There is a good mixture of stalls – some vendors have booked their own space, we have some information stalls and we also have the traditional stalls associated with School Fairs – food stalls (with Halal and vegetarian options), tombola, quality books, games and toys stall and a gardening stall.

There will be a separate child zone with activities for children. There will also be a bar and live music.

Come along and support this event!

Many thanks to all who have worked hard planning and organising the fair!

### **P7 Residential Trip**

On Monday 14 May our P7 children leave for their annual week long trip to Ardentiny. Once there they participate in hill walks, canoeing, gorge walking and a range of outdoor group activities.

They are becoming so excited as we edge closer to their departure date! Many thanks to the P7 parents for their cooperation and support. A very big thanks to all of the teachers and support staff who have volunteered to accompany the children. It is a big commitment and we are very grateful to you.

### **Ramadan**

Ramadan begins on 15 May for our Muslim families and will continue for four weeks from that date with Eid al Fitr beginning on Thursday 14 June into Friday 15 June.

## **Key Dates (Calendar already issued)**

### School Trips

P5 – Thursday 15 May Kelbourne - County Park  
P4 – Wednesday 16 Ma - Five Sisters Zoo  
P6 – Wednesday 16 May – Blair Drummond Safari Park  
P2 – Tuesday 5 June – Wellsfield Farm Park  
P3 – Wednesday 6 June – Heads of Ayr  
P1 – Wednesday 6 June – Almond Valley

## **Holiday/Closures**

May Weekend – the school will be closed on Friday 25 May and Monday 28 May for the May weekend holiday.

School will close at 1pm on Thursday 26 June.

## **P1 Induction Days**

These will take place on Friday 8 June (am) and Friday 15 June (pm).

## **Upper School Show**

Rehearsals are now underway! Our performances are on Wednesday 13 June at 1:30pm and Thursday 14 June at 6:30pm.

## **Sports Days**

We had a very successful P1 sports day last week. Many thanks to all of the parents who came along to support the event.

P2 and P3 have their sports day on Tuesday 19 June at the Kelvin Hall 10-11:15am. P4 and P5 have their sports day from 1:30-2:45pm on the same day in the same venue.

P6 and P7 have their sports day on Wednesday 20 June from 1:30-4:45pm in the Kelvin Hall.

## **P7 Leavers Dance**

Thursday 21 June from 6pm-8pm.

## **Meet the Teacher**

Children will meet their new teacher on Monday 25 June.

## **Group Call**

Glasgow City Council have entered into a contract with a company that will allow parents to install an app on their mobile phone or tablet, which will enable them to receive information from the school. This should help improve communications between the school and home by making the information more accessible.

A separate letter and registration form will be issued very shortly and we would ask all parents to complete these details and return to the school immediately so that we can begin using this facility – it can also provide translations!

## **Parking Pledge**

The school has drawn up a Parking Pledge to encourage parents not to drive down Westbank Quadrant and park there or Otago Street, outside the school.

All parents who sign up to the Pledge will receive a sticker, which can be displayed on their car.

We will be sending full details of this out very soon and would be very grateful for your support.

I think that is all.

Many thanks for your continued support!

Best Wishes

Francis Donaghy  
Head Teacher