



Monday 27th February 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! It has been lovely to see all of the children back and looking so smart for the second half of this term.

Building Work

As you know the tower block is currently under scaffolding. The first phase of the repair work was completed in the February holidays with the next phase to be completed during the Easter holidays. We will keep you updated with how the work is progressing. Our toilet refurbishment is also ongoing. Children in P5-7 were delighted to see the new look toilets on the top floor when they were completed shortly before the mid-term holiday.

Turn Your Life Around Project

Our P6 and P7 classes have been participating in a project run in partnership with City of Edinburgh Council and Police Scotland called Turn Your Life Around. The project centres on the story of a role model who has turned his life around called Kevin. Kevin has been into school several times this year to share his story of overcoming issues with mental health, substance misuse and criminality to be a positive and productive person.

He is now working with P6 and P7 on how to tell his story to the younger children in the school and to parents and families. The classes have come up with a number of creative ways to do this in an age appropriate and sensitive way. The whole TYLA team have been incredibly impressed with our oldest children and how sensibly, thoughtfully and maturely they have dealt with the, at times, challenging subject matter. We will be inviting parents, carers and community members to come in and hear Kevin's story in April.

World Book Day

We are looking forward to celebrating World Book Day 2017 at Brunstane Primary School with a range of learning experiences and opportunities



Each child will get a book token which will allow them to get a free book from Blackwells bookshop, who are coming into school on February 28th with a pop-up book stall.

We're also going to be doing a book swap. If your child has a book they no longer want, please send it in and they can swap it for another. There will be activities in every class so you may want to check twitter that day to see how your child(ren) have been celebrating reading!

Pupil Parliament

Our newly formed Pupil Parliament has been a tremendous success so far with all children from P1-7 participating in their chosen group on Fridays from 11am-12pm. The range and diversity of activities and experiences on offer for all of our children has been great to see. From the children's feedback so far they are finding these new learning experiences exciting, challenging and stimulating.

Pupil Equity Fund

As part of the Scottish Government's drive to raise attainment for all, schools are receiving additional funds in the next financial year. Brunstane has been allocated £110k which is a significant investment for the next twelve months. We are looking for parents and carers views on how this money should be spent. All parents/carers are very welcome to come along to the next parent council on Tuesday 28th March at 6.30pm here at school to share your ideas!

Nursery Ship

As you may have seen from Twitter our Pirate Ship has finally arrived in the nursery garden! The children were so excited to watch the ship and sand pit being installed! We had a fun filled launch last week with a pirate theme! It was so great to see many parents there. Thanks to all our parents/carers who contributed to fund raising efforts over the last two years to make this possible.

Parent Consultations and Profile 2

Our second parent consultations will take place on Tuesday 21st and Thursday 23rd of March here at school. Appointment slips will be sent out two weeks before. You will also be receiving your child(ren)'s second learning profile on the next three curricular areas on Friday 17th March. Please check bags for the brown envelopes!

Wishing you a good week ahead!

Yours sincerely

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Please feel free to get in touch if you have any further questions.

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