



Monday 26th January 2015

Dear Parents/Carers,

Scots Focus Week

We had an excellent Scots Focus Week last week at Brunstane. It was lovely to see the children engaging in a range of activities based on our Scottish language, history and culture. One of the highlights of the week was seeing our P1 and P2 children having a ceilidh in the hall with the help of their P7 Buddies. Every class will be sharing their learning from Scots Week this Friday at Assembly. We are looking forward to finding out what each class learned about.

P7 Burns Supper

Our fantastic P7s are holding a Burns Supper today at 1.30pm in the hall. The class have been working hard on learning Burns Poetry, Scottish Songs, writing toasts and learning the Immortal Memory. They will be performing these for their classmates and P7 parents. We will be posting pictures of the event on our Twitter account.

Roots of Empathy

Our P3 class have been working with Ms Morwood on a programme called Roots of Empathy over the course of this Session. The programme develops children's empathy and broader social skills by engaging in learning about the development journey of a baby. We were delighted to have Baby Keava visit the class last week and the class were amazed at how much she has changed since her last visit. We look forward to seeing her and her mum again soon.

Parent Council

Thank you to all the parents who came along to our first Parent Council Meeting of 2015 last Tuesday. It was great to hear the wide range of views and ideas that parents had for improving our school. One of the key issues we want to take forward this year is how to improve our playground. We will be working with a playground designer to create a plan for what we would

like our playground to look like then we will be looking at how we fundraise/apply for a grants to make our vision a reality.

After School Care/Clubs

There was a positive response to our survey about the interest level amongst parents in setting up an After School Club for Brunstane children. We are currently working with colleagues from the Council's East Neighbourhood Centre to look at how we could achieve this at Brunstane. In addition to the plans for an after school club we are also keen to get a programme of clubs up and running too. I will be sending out a survey electronically to find out what sort of clubs our children would really want. If any parents would like to run a club for our children please contact me directly.

Yours sincerely

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