



# Dunoon Primary School

## The Apprentice- Infant Nativity

A fantastic musical production was enjoyed by family and friends as our Infant classes and the Pre- 5 performed their Christmas Nativity.



## Play Sessions at Dunoon Primary

Mondays- Parent & Toddler 1:30-3:00

Tuesday- Active Play 1:30-3:00

Friday- Bookbug Sessions 2:15-3:00



Learning Journeys were issued earlier this term which the children have shared with their parents at home. Learning Journeys will continue to be completed as part of the children's ongoing assessment and record of their learning.



## Speakers Competition

The annual Cowal Speakers Competition again highlighted the talents of our pupils. Following considerable preparation and practice, 3 of our pupils, Aidan Purdie, Lili Danby and Alastair McFarlane made it into the final 10, an achievement in itself.

Piper Purdie was a reserve speaker.

On Friday 5th December in the Forum of Dunoon Grammar School the final got underway.

Stiff competition from the other finalists did not deter our pupils who coped very well in the large auditorium in front of family and friends.

Congratulations to Aidan whose emotive talk on Schindler was overall winner. Runner up was Lili with her informative talk on Dyslexia. Alastair gave an engaging talk on football.

A special mention to Piper who as a reserve speaker was drafted in at the last moment to deliver her talk about Harry Houdini.

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## Dates For Your Diary

### February/March

- ☺ 20th -Bake Sale
- ☺ 23rd- Parent & Toddler sessions begin in GP room
- ☺ 24th—P3 to see The Boy and the Bunnet
- ☺ 2nd -P7 Volleyball Tournament
- ☺ 5th -School Photographer
- ☺ 6th -World Book Day
- ☺ 11/12th—Parent's Night
- ☺ 14th -Bag packing for Benmore at Morrisons
- ☺ 20th -Fashion Show at M&Co for PTA funds
- ☺ 31st -Daffodil Tea

**School re-opens 20th April**

Behaviour policy will be issued to parents this term. New points system allocated across school.

### P3 Bake Sale

#### Primary 3 held a very successful Bake Sale on Friday 20th February

The children baked cakes on the Thursday and with the help of their parents donations sold the baking and raised £313.66 to pay for their outing to the Queen's Hall to see a production of 'The Boy and the Bunnet'.



### iCycle

P7 are busily preparing themselves and their bicycles in order to ensure their safety when out on their bikes. Weekly sessions started at the end of January as the children complete the theory and practical parts of the course. Mrs Wakefield, Mrs Peek and Mrs Derrett are supporting the children in their endeavours to become safer cyclists and road users.



## *Interdisciplinary Learning*

An exciting array of texts will be used to support this term's learning.

P1, 2/1 and 2 will use Fairy Tales as a stimulus to their Fairyland topic, as their classrooms become magical places for adventures to happen.

P3 will explore Polar Lands using the story of Dragon Loves Penguin by Debi Gliori who visited and gave a talk on her book last term.

P4 are going to find out about local food production using the heart-warming story of Charlotte's Web by EB White.

P5 are using the fabulous Roald Dahl book 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' and will transform their classroom to reflect the story.

Using The Diary of an Edwardian Girl, P6/5 will be finding out about the launch and subsequent tragic sinking of The Titanic.



Michael Morpurgo's novel Private Peaceful gives P6 the opportunity to explore events surrounding WWII.

P7 will explore poetry using Alfred Noyes poem The Highwayman as a stimulus.

## Benmore Fundraising

P7 are, as ever coming up with ways to reduce costs for their Benmore transition weekends. As a result of their class focus on Numeracy, the children used their skills to organise and hold a Beetle Drive. On Wednesday 11th February the Lunch Hall hosted the event and the marvellous sum of £420 was raised!

Still to come on 14th March is bag-packing at Morrison's.