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School Uniform

Our Uniform Recycling (UNI-Cycle) is at the front of the school. Please feel free to help yourself to any of the items on the rail. Please also drop off any clean items in good condition – just hang them up on the rail. We are also looking for any hats, gloves, scarves, wellies or winter coats that your child no longer needs. Hang them up or pop in the box under the rail.

If you need to tell someone in the morning about an appointment, please pop round to the office to let them know rather than catching the teacher at the door. This way the teacher can get into the cloakroom to support the children as they get ready for learning and the appointment can be recorded.

Winter Has Arrived

Now that Winter weather is arriving – please ensure that your child is dressed appropriately for all weathers. We seem to be having 4 seasons in one day! There are winter coats available for families who may need, which have been donated to the school for the Uniform Recycling. Please let us know if you would like to look at the coats.

Staffing

This month saw us wishing Mrs Morrison, PSA in P3, a happy maternity leave. We can't wait to meet her new arrival. Mrs Bennett who has been on secondment at Seaton Primary has also left for maternity leave and is awaiting the imminent arrival of her twins. We wish both ladies well.

GLEE

Our GLEE group (FernieGLEE) performed really well last night singing 'Rule the World' by Take That and 'Light Up' which is the Junior Eurovision theme song. They made us all so proud. We would like to thank Mr Thomson and Mrs Webster for all of their hard work ensuring that the performance was the best it could be. We would also like to thank our parents and families for their unwavering support.



FERNIE-GLEE



Two P6 pupils handed over the cheque for the money raised at the Christmas Concert to a Homestart representative. We are delighted to be able to help a local charity.

We are always looking for regular parent volunteers to help in classes and in our school library. Mr Banks, Mrs Wood and Mrs Spinelli have been such a great help in school this year – supporting learning, accompanying classes on trips, helping with the library and even delivering Bikeability training.

If you would like to regularly volunteer please contact the school.

KiltWalk 2020

In a bid to get fit and be good role models for our pupils, a group of staff is participating in the KiltWalk 2020 this year, walking 26 miles. Each member of staff is raising money for a charity which is dear to them.

We would encourage other members of the Fernielea Community to sign up and raise money for a charity while improving their fitness. The benefits of walking, especially with others, have been shown to be very good for mental health and wellbeing. The event takes place on Sunday 7th June. We wish all participants well and hope that they don't get too many blisters!

Fundraising

We got a very welcome phone call from Riley's (P2) mum who has chosen Fernielea School as the recipient of her fundraising when she participates in the 5k GungHo Challenge in May. The Pupil Council will be deciding what to use the money for and are extremely grateful to Riley's mum, Amy-Louise, for choosing us. Thank you.

Road Safety

It was raised at a recent Parent Council meeting that there is on-going concern regarding children crossing from Summerhill Drive over to the school gate. The Parent Council were successful in getting yellow lines painted there, as cars parking there made it extremely dangerous for children to cross. We would advise all pupils and families to walk the extra 100 steps along to the pedestrian crossing, which is manned by the lollipop lady and cross at the crossing – the extra 100 steps could potentially save a child's life. If children see adults 'nipping' across the road without the crossing then they are likely to copy this. If adults model walking along to the crossing, then when they are coming to school on their own, children are more likely to do the same.

Class Assemblies Reminder

Every class takes responsibility for an assembly over the course of the year. Tomorrow is P4's Fairtrade Assembly. The remaining class assemblies are

P4	28 February 9.15am
P3	3 April 9.15 am
P7	3 July – Leavers' Assembly 1.30pm

as detailed in the table below. The assemblies are at 9.15am on a Friday morning.

Upcoming Dates

Thursday 27 February – Parent Consultations

Friday 28 February – P4 Assembly - Fairtrade

Thursday 5 March – World Book Day – dress up as a character

Thursday 12 March – deadline for payments for Ardeonaig trip (P7s only)

Friday 13 March – Sport Relief – come in sportswear/comfortable clothes

Monday 16 March – P7 NASA trip – Aberdeen Science Centre

Friday 27 March – P3s to RSNO concert

Friday 3 April – P3 Easter Assembly and END OF TERM 3