



# Burnside Primary School

## March 2018

*Learning together, growing together to be all that we can be.*

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Dear Parents/Carers,



### Welcome to Burnside's Big Book Week!

This week there are lots of exciting activities to encourage reading

**Challenge-** bring in a photo of yourself reading your favourite book in your favourite place. Entries to be received by **6<sup>th</sup> March**. Photos will be displayed in school and there will be a small prize for each child who takes part.

**Book Character Hunt-** Can you find the hidden book characters around the school? 50p to enter. Entry forms can be requested from the office and handed in to class by **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March**.

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March-** author, Lizzie Finnigan, will visit Rooms 1-4. Pupils can purchase a signed copy of her book for £6.99 (absolutely no obligation to buy!).

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March-** Burnside's Big Book Swap! Pupils are invited to bring in a pre-loved book to donate to the 'swap'.

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March-** Whole School Readathon - we will all get involved with our favourite DEAR (Drop Everything and Read) time.

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March-** Dress up as your favourite book character! We look forward to seeing pupils during our school parade and there will be a certificate for everyone taking part!



Unfortunately our 'Crazy Hair' discos had to be postponed due to the school closure. These will be re-scheduled as soon as possible.

We look forward to meeting with you at **Parents' Evening on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March**. Invitations will be sent home on Monday. Campbell's Uniforms and Usborne Books will join us also.

We will soon be sending out **June Induction** dates for our new P1s session 2018/19. We look forward to meeting them with their parents/carers.



*Helen McGarvey*  
*Head Teacher*

*Vision & Values*

Together at Burnside Primary we will:

**Harness children's abilities, encouraging ambition and resilience through a varied, challenging and enjoyable curriculum. We will foster personal achievement and skills for life in an inclusive, nurturing, respectful and shared environment.**

Happy High Fives

**Safe  
Healthy  
Respectful  
Responsible  
Active**

Spring/Easter Holiday

**School closes on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March at 2.30pm and re-opens on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April at 9am. Enjoy the holiday!**

**Assemblies**  
~ February ~

Golden Book  
Playground pals  
Old Spittal P.S demolition  
Parking Issues

**A big Burnside**

**Welcome**

to new staff  
**Mrs. Stacey Robertson**  
and  
**Mrs. Louise Douglas!**

**\* 50/50 Club \***

Congratulations to recent winner.....

**Hazel McDougall**

Good luck in the next draw everyone!

## The month ahead.....March 2018

- 5 Burnside Big Book Week begins.
- 6 9.30-11.45–P7 pupils take part in 'Easter Code' at Burnside-Blairbeth Church.  
7.00pm–Parent Council Meeting ~ all welcome!
- 7 P6 take part in the Stonelaw Basketball Festival.
- 8 2.00pm-Room 9's 'sharing the learning' afternoon for parents.
- 9 Book character dress-up to end Big Book Week.
- 14 9.15am- P7 NEC photos taken.  
1.30pm–P.6 swimming starts.
- 15 6.45pm–Online Safety Information Session for parents/carers.
- 16 Snapshot booklets issued.  
2.00pm–RSHP information session for P6 & 7 parents/carers.
- 19 Sports Relief Week begins (more info to follow).
- 21 1.45pm–Room 6's 'sharing the learning' afternoon for parents.
- 22 Cross Country Festival for selected P6&7 pupils.
- 23 Whole school sports activity ~ £1 donation for sports Relief  
9.00-11.00am–Drop-in pre-loved uniform sale.
- 27 Parents' Evening–appointment times to follow.
- 28 Rooms 7&8 visit Vikingar
- 29 2.30pm–school closes for Spring/Easter break.

### Healthy Burnside



#### **Canine Companions**

Although we appreciate dogs are part of the family, please be mindful that some of our pupils/families can be a little worried by their presence around the school. Please support us all by ensuring that dogs are not brought in to the school grounds at any point and are on leads if near to the school.

#### **Medical information**

Please let us know of changes to your child's medical information as it is vital that our records are up to date at all times.

#### **Emergency contact information**

Please let us know of any changes to addresses or phone numbers . We have tried to make contact with some parents/carers recently to find that numbers are obsolete~ thanks!

#### **Medicines**

All inhalers should be kept with children however, for your child's safety, we would be grateful if you would send in a spare to be held at the office. Please contact us in writing if your child no longer requires the use of an inhaler. If your child needs any medicine to be administered during the school day, a form must be completed at the school office before we can help. Please do not send painkillers etc. to school in a schoolbag as this can pose a danger to other children.



**Headlice** ~ please check your child's head regularly and ensure any headlice are treated before returning to school. If you would like any further advice you can contact our School Nurse on 0141 643-4459.

## Working Together

### *Coffee Morning & Uniform Sale*



Please come along on **Friday 23 March anytime between 9 and 11am** to the school lunch hall. There will be a range of pre-loved uniform items in excellent condition on sale for a small donation. This is the re-scheduled date.

### **\*Reading Book Amnesty \***

Please help us by checking at home for any non-returned reading books. We will be replacing some soon however we are missing several books. Any books found can be sent in to our school office,

We will also need to start charging for damaged or replacement books it costs around £5 to replace a book.

Thank you for your support with this!



It's increasingly challenging to ensure children are safe while online and difficult to keep up to speed with social media, gaming and the negative (as well as the positive) impact of the cyber world.

**PC MacDonald, Community Police, will hold an information session in school for parents/carers on Thursday 15th March, 6.45-8.00pm.** Invitations are in schoolbags. Hope to see you there!

MONDAY	P.6 & 7 Football	3.00–4.00pm
MONDAY	P.1 Multi-sports	Lunchtime
TUESDAY	P.7 J.A.M Club	Lunchtime
TUESDAY	P.1 Lego Club group 1	Lunchtime
TUESDAY	P.6 &7 Cross Country Club	3.00-4.15pm
WEDNESDAY	P.1 Lego Club group 2	Lunchtime
WEDNESDAY	P.2 Multi-sports	Lunchtime
THURSDAY	P.5 & 6 Stamp Club	Lunchtime
THURSDAY	P.1&2 Multi-sports Club	lunchtime
THURSDAY	Gardening Club group 3	Lunchtime
FRIDAY	P.3 Outdoor Multi-sports Club	Lunchtime
FRIDAY	P.4 Tennis Club	Lunchtime



Please remember no worry or concern is too small! You can contact us by phone or e-mail.

In line with GIRFEC (Getting it Right for Every Child) legislation, every child has a **Named Person** within school who has pastoral

responsibility for them. I am the Named Person for Room 1 to 4, Mrs. McGovern looks after Rooms 5 to 9 while Mr. Campbell oversees Rooms 10 to 14. You can also use your child's home/school communication diary if easier.

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