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April 2025

Dear parent/ carer,

April Newsletter

Hello Spring! Welcome to our April newsletter, and an end-of-term update for our families. The Scottish weather has been kind to us, and the children have been enjoying lots of opportunities to play and learn outdoors.

Have a safe and relaxing Spring Break, and we look forward to welcoming our learners back after the holidays for our final term of the session.

Dance Show at Rutherglen Town Hall

Last week, our fabulous dance teams performed their routines at Rutherglen Town Hall, after weeks of practising. P4 and P5 performed a routine from Descendents, and P6 and P7 performed a creative routine based on Alice in Wonderland. Thank you to the Stonelaw High Dance Leaders (supported by Active Schools) who choreographed the routines and led the dance classes so skilfully every week.

Crossing Patroller- Charlotte

Charlotte, our crossing patroller, retires today after supporting our children for a very long time. Unfortunately, Charlotte was unwell today and unable to attend the presentation at assembly. However, her husband collected the lovely gifts and tokens handed in by families, and we received a card from Charlotte thanking us. We will try our best to have Charlotte at one of the first assemblies in the new term, to thank her in person.

Food Bank Collection

Thank you to everyone who donated to the food bank collection. School holidays are a tough time financially for some families, and the food bank shared that they always need extra stock at this time of year.

Read-a-Thon update

We have a FANTASTIC update for the sponsored Read-a-Thon which took place during the month of March. Sponsorship is still rolling in, and the total so far is **over £2800**! The Parent Council have pledged to match fund amounts raised by the school, which means that we are already half way towards achieving our goal of purchasing our Outdoor Classroom. Thank you so much to all the friends and family members who have supported

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us. Here is a reminder of what we are raising the money for:



Dress Down Day for charity - Friday 25th April

On the first Friday after the holidays (25th April), we will be having a dress down day at school, to raise money for a charity which is very close to our heart here at Burnside: National Deaf Children's Society (NDCS). Children can come to school wearing their own clothes, and if you would like to make a small donation, this will be through ParentPay.

During the first week back, we will also learn more about the work the NDCS does and learn some BSL too!

Dates for the diary for 2025

Please find below a list of dates for 2025, which we hope you will find useful. We will add to these dates, as and when we know more.

Friday 4 th April	Close for the holidays at 2:30
	Reopen on Tuesday 22 nd April at 9am
Wednesday 23 rd April	Rooms 5 and 6 trip all day
Friday 25 th April	Football team at Cathkin High
	Buddy Lunch
	Dress Down Day with optional donation for NDCS (National Deaf
	Children's Society)- optional donation
Tuesday 29th April	Tennis competition (pupils TBC)
Wednesday 30 th April	
Thursday 1 st May	In-service day- school closed
Monday 5 th May	Holiday- school closed
Tuesday 6 th May	P7 residential- Lockerbie Manor (until Friday 9 th)
Wednesday 7 th May	Parent Council @ 7:10
Tuesday 20th May	P7 transition session- Chaplaincy Team
Wednesday 21st May	Track and Field Competition (time TBC)
23 rd and 26 th May	Holiday- school closed

Tuesday 27 th May	New P1 visits (Burnside Butterflies)
Wednesday 28th May	Outdoor Classroom Day
Friday 30 th May	Buddy Lunch
	Football team at Cathkin High
Saturday 31st May	Car Boot Sale
Tuesday 3 rd June	New P1 visits
Thursday 5 th June	Summer disco
Monday 9th June	Parent Council @ 7:10
Tuesday 10 th June	Landimer Quiz (evening) – pupils TBC
11th and 12th June	Stonelaw new S1 induction days
	New P1 visits (11 th only)
Friday 13 th June	Reports issued to parents
	Football team at Cathkin High
Saturday 14 th June	Landimer Day (community fun day)
w/b 16 th June	Transition afternoon (meet the teacher) this week
Thursday 19 th June	P7 trip – 12:30
Tuesday 24th June	End of term service (church)
Wednesday 25 th June	Close for summer holidays @ 1pm

As always, please get in touch if we can help in any way at all.

Warmest wishes,

Ms Gayle McDonald Head Teacher