



March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are looking forward to Parents Consultation later this month in the nurse's room and main school to update you on your child's progress. Please ensure that you attend the appointment on the date and time given as we will be unable to reschedule missed appointments. Appointments will be sent out at the start of next week.

P5/6, P6 and P7 pupils performed 'Vikings! The Quest for the Dragon's Treasure' at St Brides Community Centre in February with Scottish Opera. Pupils from nursery to P5 watched the dress rehearsal and then they performed to a packed house of parents and carers. Working with Scottish Opera has become one of the highlights of our annual calendar and this year was as fabulous an experience as ever.

P3/4 and P4 enjoyed a trip to Napier University as part of a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) partnership. The classes have been working in school on Little Inventors workshops and were subsequently invited to the university to see around the wood workshop, the plastic engineering laboratory and print engineering workshop.

P3/4, P4 and P5 classes had a visit from Generation Science this month to work on a creative coding workshop using a robot called Marty.

P2a and P2b continue to take part in weekly Roots of Empathy sessions. They particularly enjoy their visits from baby Ammar and Angus and their mums Zeinab and Miss Younger. The children are now halfway through their programme and are enjoying watching the babies grow and develop and see how their interests and needs change from month to month.

P5 and P5/6 are taking part in a block of Tai Chi lessons as part of a partnership with 'Tea and Chai'. They are learning to use this gentle exercise as a form of relaxation as part of their health and wellbeing curriculum. They are also working with Big Hearts football coaches for weekly football sessions and lessons about how to keep fit and healthy through lifestyle choices.

All classes enjoyed celebrating World Book Day on Thursday. Across the school the pupils and staff arrived to school dressed in their PJs with their favourite stories and

bedtime toys. We hope that many of our families can use their £1 book token to claim a free World Book Day book or use it as a part payment for another book of their choice.

We have welcomed a new violin instructor to Dalry. Mr Rock will take over from Miss Tess whilst she is on maternity leave. Mr Rock will work with selected pupils from P4 to P7 on Friday mornings.

Dalry Primary School are working with a group from the City of Edinburgh Council as part of the Dalry town Centre project. We have been working with the children and a local artist to design a safer streets project around the school which will see Cathcart Place and Springwell Place closed to traffic at school drop off and pick up times to allow our families to walk, scoot and cycle to school safely in the summer term.

Please remember to check our school website regularly for updates and information about the work and wider life of the school.

<https://dalryprimaryschool.com/dalry-news/>

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Please support us by dropping off and collecting your child on time each day. This enables our office team to work effectively and ensures the children have a positive start and end to their day with their friends.

Dates for your diary

Week beginning Monday 18th March – Nursery Parents Consultations
Tuesday 19th and Friday 22nd March – Parents Consultations for P1 to P7
Thursday 28th March – end of term (usual end of day finish time)
Tuesday 16th April - School resumes
Monday 6th May – Monday holiday
Tuesday 7th May – In-Service Day – school closed to pupils.
Monday 20th May – Monday holiday
Friday 28th June – end of term

Mrs Honeyman
Head Teacher