

Newbigging Primary School Newsletter



August 2013

Hello and Welcome

I cannot believe how fast the first week has gone. The staff and I are delighted to see so many happy, smiling faces either returning or starting at Newbigging P.S. for the first time. Everyone looks so smart in their uniform and they have all worked hard after their six week break – well done! Four pupils, Imogen Crozier, Stephen Duncan, Lesley Rogers and Ross Duncan from the P4-7 class have volunteered to help me write this month's newsletter. My thanks go to them.

New Staff

The schools that Mrs Milloy has worked in before are Ferryden P.S. Montrose, at that school she was the D.H.T. She has also worked in Lochside P.S and St. Peters School in Barcelona. Mrs Milloy is going to spend $2^{\frac{1}{2}}$ days at each school every week. Every month different pupils are going to write in the newsletter. She is going to ask the pupils, parents and staff what kind of Changes they want done to the school. Mrs Milloy is very happy to be working at the school and is very excited to be here.

Mrs Patullo

Mrs Patullo is our new teacher in P4-7. She taught at Muirfield P.S. in Arbroath before coming here. Mrs Patullo says, "It's nice to be part of such a friendly and supportive learning community."

Holiday News

Lucy Burns went to the Olympia and saw Smurfs 2 at the cinema... "It was all amazing."

Oliwia Laszkiewicz went to see Despicable Me 2 at the cinema and said, "It was really funny."

Jessica Ritchie won her race at her swimming gala. She swam front crawl and breast stroke as a competitor from Monifieth Swimming Club.

Evan Murray went to a Carnival at St Andrews.

Sophie Cox went swimming and walked her dog.

Imogen Crozier went to the Newbigging Show in Monikie Hall where there was vegetables, cooking, handy crafts and a Children's section. "I got the same amount of points as my sister but she got one more First than me so she won. Cailean Nugent got Seconds and a Third."

Swimming

The P4-7 class showed Mrs Patullo how good they were in the pool this week as they started their swimming block at Carnoustie Leisure Centre. Thank you to Wilma for accompanying the children on the bus.

A message from Wilma, school crossing patrol

Susan and I would like to thank all staff parents and pupils for the cards and flowers given to us following the sad loss of Ian.
Wilma.

Art Input

Our four P3 boys, Oliver, Thomas, Joseph and Cole produced some wonderful portraits this week when they joined the P3's at Monikie to do art with the specialist teacher. They had a great time and Mrs Davis the P3 teacher was very impressed with their hard work and behaviour. Well done boys!

Glenshee Parents Meeting

There will be a meeting for the parents of children who are going to Glenshee on Thursday 29th August 2013 at 6.30pm. The meeting will take place at the Monikie P.S. There will be an opportunity to find out about the activities that will take place on the trip and kit the children should take with them. There will also be medical/insurance forms etc to fill in on the night. If you cannot attend, please let the school know and we will send a pack home with your child. Thanks go to Miss Girvan and Mrs Davis (class teachers from Monikie) for volunteering to accompany the children that week (17-20 Sept).



Dates

Calendar dates for the year will be sent home next week after the staff have met together on the Monday. We aim to provide you with as many proposed dates as possible for the year ahead so you can plan ahead with your family.

Consultation

Today at assembly all the pupils and staff have filled in the attached consultation exercise. This is to help us plan our school improvement. We would like to hear your views so can you please fill in the sheet and send back to school asap. Thank you.

Finally...

Huge thanks for the very warm welcome extended to me from the children, staff and parents I have had the pleasure of meeting so far. I am thrilled to be part of the school team and look forward to working with you all.

Lesley Milloy Head Teacher

PARENT COUNCIL NEWS

Welcome back everyone! I don't know about you but I think the summer holidays flew by! Not much going on with the PC yet, but we still have a few notes for you.

NEW STAFF FOR NEWBIGGING

A big, warm welcome to our new staff members! Mrs Elaine Patullo visited a few times last term and has now officially started her new post as teacher of the P.4-7 class. Mrs Lesley Milloy is now our new shared Head with Monike. I had the pleasure of meeting Lesley during the interview process and she is very friendly and approachable and will be a wonderful addition to our wee school. We hope to arrange a 'meet and greet' along with the AGM so that families and staff can put faces to names and get to know each other. I can't wait to see what these new people will bring to our school. Good luck ladies!

GOLF COACHING

We are still trying to organise the free golf lessons within school time. Unfortunately the golf pro still hasn't had his PVG check returned so we have to wait until that appears before we have more information for you.

AGM

We aim to hold our AGM on Thursday, 12th September, at 6.15pm in the school. It is always a good way to meet council members, hear a quick review of the events and finances from the last year, find out what we do and perhaps see if you can help or get involved in some way. Nominations and voting also takes place for all the council roles, but, don't worry, no one is forced to join or do anything they can't manage...HONEST! Keep an eye out over the next few weeks for a reminder of the date and time and please try to pop by!

Thanks again for all your ongoing support - here's to a great fresh start for everyone!

Kathryn NPPC Chair