



Winter Term Newsletter

28th November 2014

Skipness Primary School

Head Teacher's Corner

Dear Parents, Carers and Members of the Community,

It is hard to believe that this is the last newsletter that I will write for 2014! My first two terms at Skipness Primary School have flown by! I feel proud of all that we have achieved in such a short period of time. Starting with our very successful raffle, which has raised over £400 for school funds. The development of technology in school is certainly enhancing the children's education. The children are enjoying utilising their I-pads in all areas of the Curriculum. The school website has had a dramatic transformation, which I hope that you are all visiting regularly to find out what is happening in school.

We also expanded our outdoor education programme by being the first school in the area to offer beach schools.

As I prepare for maternity leave I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas, safe holidays and I look forward to seeing you all in the new year.

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Events

December

- 4th – Last Beach Schools
- 11th – Skipness to Clachan – Practise for Christmas Play
- 15th – Church Service – 2:30pm
- 17th – Christmas Concert – Clachan Primary School – 7:00pm
- 18th – Christmas Concert – Skipness Primary School – 1:30pm
- 19th – Christmas Party

Class News

The children have been very busy this month. They have started their preparations for their Christmas Play; Snow White. The children had a lot of fun creating an alternate ending for the original script, which I am sure that you will all enjoy!

Numeracy this month has focused on telling time and using money. The children have had a lot of fun using their I-pads and playing games like racing against the clock. They have also been practicing reading digital and analogue clocks.

With money, the children set up a Halloween shop, which they have enjoyed going shopping at. They have been working out how much change they would get if they bought a variety of objects from the shop.

The children also expressed an interest in improving our poly tunnel. So they have been looking at what is needed, take measurements of these and working out the best deal!

The children also enjoyed their first shared lunch with Rev. Fulcher to celebrate St. Andrew's day on Wednesday.

Nordic Walking Café

We are hoping to set up a Nordic Walking Café, which will be based at the school.

It is anticipated that this will be open in April taking place every Monday from 1:00 – 3:00pm. The first hour will be spent Nordic Walking around Skipness, the second hour the café will open and there will be a variety of refreshments available.

The children will open this as part of their Enterprise topic, which is taking place in the Summer Term. They will be in charge of the whole business – thinking about the money that they have taken in, the products that they are providing and the costing of their products. Everyone is invited to join us for Nordic Walking, a drink at the café or both!

At present a grant request has been placed to the lottery to help us fund this. We are hoping that we will find out about this in March.

As soon as we have more information about this, we will let you know!



Happy Birthday Zac!



Head Teacher's Award

Huge congratulations to our winners this fortnight – Eilidh was nominated twice in one week, both times by Morvern. Eilidh was nominated for helping Morvern when she wasn't feeling well and for making her feel better. What a fantastic friend! Alasdair was nominated three times in one week – twice by Grace for bringing in her coat and once by Leo for being a good friend and playing with him. What another fantastic friend!