

Eastern Primary School Newsletter

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Eastern Primary School Vision –

Our children will be included, safe, healthy, caring, active and responsible

Welcome back! Hopefully everyone has had a wonderful summer and has enjoyed the Olympics, if not the weather. The children have come in to school looking like they are raring to go! Just a wee reminder to mark all clothes and bags clearly with a name and class – then we can return lost property to you!

Modern Languages P5-P7

This session we are creating the opportunity to give our P5 and P6 children the experience of both French and German with Mrs Howard. Our P7 children will continue to learn the language they started in P6.

"The study of any modern language plays a central role in the development of literacy skills."

Curriculum for Excellence

This opportunity will be aimed at sparking a lifelong interest in modern languages.



WELCOME TO OUR NEW TEACHERS

Mrs Karen Clarke has joined us as Acting Deputy Headteacher; Miss Fiona Stewart is our Nursery Teacher and Miss Stephanie Paterson our NQT has joined P1a.

Class Assemblies

Throughout the year each class will present an assembly to their parents about their learning. We look forward to welcoming you to these special days and hope you enjoy finding out more about what is happening in class.

Playground Perfection!



Each class has been challenged to come up with an idea to improve our playground. The children will work on their ideas over the next two weeks before presenting their ideas to our group of parents who have volunteered their time to support this project. We look forward to keeping you up to date with this as improvements are put in place.

Getting Together - Social Skills

The children are lining up in year groups this session to encourage and support mixing and friendship building within and beyond classes. Children will be given the opportunity to sit with their year group friends at lunchtime. The children have also asked to be allowed to mix more in the playground so this will be further encouraged as we develop the playground environment.

School Bell Times for your information

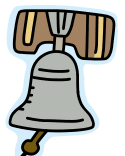
In response to the need to simplify and clarify entry and exit times they have now been adjusted.

Start of the School Day	9.00am
Break	10.30 – 10.45
Lunch	12.15pm – 1.15pm
End of the School Day	3.15pm

NURSERY

Morning Session:	9.00am – 11.30 am
Afternoon Session:	12.40pm – 3.10pm

PLEASE NOTE: Nursery gates will be open for 10 minutes at the beginning and end of each session for the dropping off and collection of children.



Parents are reminded **not** to approach children in the playground during breaks. Please pass information on via the school office. Thank you



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - TERMS 1 & 2

Parents, carers and family members are invited to join us on the dates shown in bold.

13.8.12	In-Service (closed to pupils)
14.8.12	School Year 2012-2013 starts
30.08.12	P1 Lunch Day
03.09.12	P1 in all day
04.09.12	Parent Council 7.00pm in staff room
12.09.12	P1 Curriculum Meeting 6.30pm
02.10.12	Parent Council 7.00pm in staff room
05.10.12	Harvest Assembly
08.10.12 - 19.10.12	OCTOBER HOLIDAY
25.10.12	Parent Council Bingo Night 7.00pm
07.11.12	Halloween Disco
08.11.12	Inservice Day 2
09.11.12	Inservice Day 3
13.11.12	Parents Evening
15.11.12	Parents Evening
20.11.12	Parent Council 7.00pm in staff room
22.11.12	P7 Show with Scottish Opera
23.11.12	P7 Show with Scottish Opera
30.11.12	St Andrew's Day (Activity Day)
12.12.12	P6 + P7 Christmas Party
13.12.12	Nursery to P1 Nativity
14.12.12	P7 Christmas Fayre
17.12.12	P4 + P5 Christmas Party
18.12.12	P5 - P7 Panto / N - P4 Panto
19.12.12	Church Service / P1-3 Party
20.12.12	Nursery Christmas Party
21.12.12	End of term

P1 children will have their first experience of a school dinner courtesy of Tayside Contracts. We hope the children enjoy their lunch.

Parents of P1 children are invited to come along and find out what, and how, your children are learning in class.

Look out for more details heading your way nearer the time!

P5-P7
Pantomime is **Snow White** at the Byre Theatre in St Andrews

N - P4
Pantomime is **Dick Whittington** by M&M Productions. Performed in school

Scottish Opera are supporting our P7 children to put on a spectacular Opera - *Elephant Angel* - which links learning across the curriculum

Improvement begins with I.



Arnold H. Glasow

Reminder: Only gym shoes/plimssoles are to be worn within the school gym hall. Training shoes should be reserved for outdoor use only.

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