

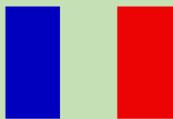
The Redmyre Review

April 2017



I can hardly believe we are already in the final term before summer. It's the term when traditionally I would be looking out my open toed sandals but I think I'm going to wait a wee while longer given the rather chilly end we are having to April. Let's hope the weather improves as we head into the rest of the term.

French Fun



The last day of last term saw our Primary 1/2 class host a French Café for their parents. Guests were treated to some French snacks of croissants and pain au chocolat and the children showed off some of the French phrases they have been learning as well as some of the work they have done about France and aspects of French culture. We were lucky to be joined by Frederik, one of the French teachers from Mearns Academy who was very impressed with all the work the children had done.



We were learning how to be waiters by showing the French menus that we had made. We sang a French song called Bonjour Mes Amis. That means Hello My Friends.
Alfie Symmers P2

Sportshall Challenge

Last Thursday a group of our P3 and P4 pupils set out to Mearns Academy to take part in the Mearns Network Badminton Sportshall challenge. This event, devised by Badminton Scotland, aims to give P3 and P4 children a fun and competitive introduction to badminton by working through a series of 'stations' which are designed to develop skills associated with Badminton. It is hoped that by giving children this early introduction to badminton they will be encouraged to continue with the sport perhaps joining a club and participating in further competitions.

I am delighted to say that Redmyre came first in the Laurencekirk Network heats and consequently were invited to participate in the Aberdeenshire wide competition in Banchory last Friday. Although we didn't win that one the children competed very hard and did us all proud.



Mrs Gall has asked me to pass on her thanks to those of you who sent in pieces of old or broken costume jewellery. These have now been sent away and will be put to good use in Traidcraft projects. We would also like to remind you that we are still collecting any Fairtrade wrappers with which we are planning to make a wall mural.

Bikeability



Our P6/7 pupils all came up to school last week with their bikes to have them checked over in preparation for beginning Bikeability training. Every second year our P6 and 7s complete levels 1 and 2 of this training which aims to increase children's confidence and to give them the lifelong skills and knowledge necessary to keep themselves safe when cycling on the roads. Although we are very lucky to have Dr Rachel Smith and Mrs Sheila Moir who have completed the training and have offered to take the training this year we felt it would be a good idea to get some of the staff trained in Bikeability too. To this end, Miss McMillan and I bravely went forth last Tuesday to Portlethen primary where we spent a day learning how to be Bikeability instructors. If you cast your mind back to last Tuesday you may remember that the weather was somewhat inclement with sleet and snow showers interspersed with hail!! To say that we were chilly after a day on our bikes in that weather is something of an understatement. The staff who had been at Forest Schools in the sleet and snow the day before didn't feel quite so hard done by. Joking aside, Bikeability training is offered by the authority on a regular basis, if there are any keen cyclists who would like to do it so they can volunteer at the school then please get in touch with Mrs Hunter.

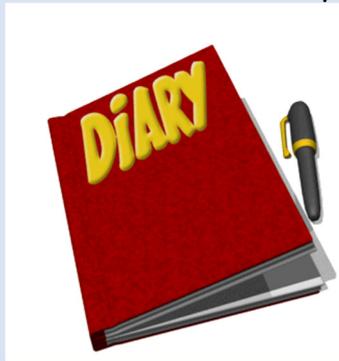
Parent Group Fundraising Beat the Bog.



Given that for much of the year the children are unable to play on the grass due to it being waterlogged our Parent Council have decided to give their fundraising campaign the slogan '**Beat the Bog**'.

Many, many thanks to those of you who have volunteered to do a stint at the fundraising Bag Pack on 3rd June however we desperately need more people to step up and take a slot or we may need to cancel. This would be a shame as this is an opportunity to make a large amount of money for the improvements which we would like to make to our playground to benefit all of the children. I know everyone has very busy lives but we would be so very grateful if you could spare just an hour or two of your time on that day.

Dates For Your Diary



P3/4/5 Forest School – 2nd May

P3/4/5 Forest School – 9th May

P3/4/5 Forest School 16th May

Pupil Progress Reports Issued 12th May

Parents Night 18th May

Parent Group Book Fair and Coffee Morning 20th May

P1/2 Forest School 23rd May (Tuesday)

P1/2 Forest School 30th May (Tuesday)

P1/2 Forest School 6th June (Tuesday)

P1/2 Forest School 12th June (Monday)

Please, please ensure children have suitable outdoor clothing and footwear (wellies) for Forest School.

Health Week – Week beginning 5th June

Sports Day – 8th June (weather permitting)

End of term assembly 29th June (PM)

Published Pupils



<p>Targets for all writing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use capital letters to start sentences. Use full stops to finish a sentence. Spell most common words correctly. Use Finger spaces. Neat handwriting. 	<p>Learning Intentions We are learning how to create our own stories.</p> <p>Success Criteria</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I can create 2 sentences about pirates. I can use Capital letter correctly all the time.
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captain frenchbeard took his flag and put it on the island.

Paul in P1 has written an adventure about Captain Frenchbeard.

William in P3 is preparing to write a character description of Aunt Spiker in James and the Giant Peach. I think he has used perfect adjectives.

you're only skin and bones.

lean and tall and bony

get out

steel-rimmed spectacles

screaming voice

Aunt Spiker. William

picture 13

The Old Bridge

It was a dark spooky night in Scotland 1709, the rain was as heavy, as ever!

There was a young homeless girl named Hanna she was 17 and lost her parents when she was only 4 and was sent to an orphanage.

She hated it there so when she 7 years old she ran away and has been wandering around for 10 years all alone with no where to go.

Until... she came across an old bridge she couldn't bare the thought of crossing but she really wanted to see

what was at the other side so... she took her first step and another and another until she was one step away from the end of the bridge and she found...

the most amazing place in the world the sheep were pink, the cows were green, the pigs were blue, the grass was made out of red sugar sticks!

It was the most beautiful place Hanna had ever seen but... she ^{saw} seen someone she didn't know who it was he had short brown hair and bright blue eyes "Hanna!" said the man "father?" said Hanna "is that you?" "Ohh my" said the father "I haven't seen you since you were a little girl you still have your long red hair and your bright blue eyes, Ohh my, Hanna you look so much like your mother" Hanna wondered were her mother was she wanted to see her so much!

"Father were is mother?"

"Err... well your mother really did die"

"Ohh... but I'm so happy that your here or I would of starved for the rest of life"

"Well I'm here now darling!"

So Hanna and her father lived in the crazy world together and lived an amazing life!

By Verity Leonard P6

Verity (P6) has written a short story full of suspense and surprises.