

So that was May

We're in the middle of formally assessing the children so we can tell you all about their improvements, achievements and progress when you visit next. Our May In-service day means we know what we'll all be teaching this time next May! We've planned all the projects in conjunction with the pupil opinions as well as making sure they get all the entitlements Education Scotland advise.

Obviously, in Pentland we have a heavy focus on promoting social and emotional wellbeing as well as trying to improve in attainment in literacy and numeracy.

Again, staff are working on a plan of action for targets to be tackled next session to further improve our work.

Our parent afternoons will be the 7th of June for Miss Fraser, Miss Lawrence and Miss Whiteford. The 12th of June will be for Mrs Bryce and Mrs Quinn. (Taxis will be provided).

Mrs McDonald, our lovely speech and language therapist will be available for a chat on the 7th of June as she works closely with some of the weans in those classes and can answer any questions.

Pupil Council have been out buying plants for the orchard they planned. And following on from our Plant project, we now have a plum tree, 2 apple trees, blackberry, raspberries, a cherry tree, a gooseberry bush, red currants, black currants, a pear tree and mint for mint tea. We will be taking orders for jam in the autumn.

'The Body' showcase was wonderful with Mrs Bryce's lads impressing parents with their knowledge on the skeleton and organs of the human body. (Lots of photos on the website). They had made mini film clips on the I pads and explained the human digestive system in the most disgusting way imaginable. Again, the lads were able to answer questions from their colleagues demonstrating a thorough knowledge of the topic.

The dentist and dental nurse visited for a check-up and were very impressed by Miss Fraser's guys (our youngest scientists) who bombarded the visitors with facts on blood and guts, using visual aids to make their point i.e. cheerios' in a plastic bottle of gunk to show the make-up of your blood.

I don't think they'll be back!

Kilbowie had to be postponed but it means the lads will be going on the 12th of June now and will get 4 nights away rather than 3.

High schools have to be rescheduled for the P7's. Willowbank is now 21st and 22nd June and Fallside is the 13th and 14th of June.

New classes will be going swimming and our golf lessons organised by Mrs Quinn have been a huge success.

We have a new Principal Teacher who will be joining us as soon as his old school will release him. Mrs McIntosh has a beautiful baby girl and our Headie is a gran.

(No doubt she'll show you the photos at parent afternoon!).

Dates for the diary:-

Our graduation assembly will be on the 20th of June and our last school trip on the 27th.

Till then!

Carla