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## Newsletter March 2024

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A note from Mrs McNeil...

Time seems to be going very quickly and it is nice to see some signs of Spring appearing! Life at South Park has been busy and productive since our last newsletter in February and all classes have been focussing on ensuring that many aspects of learning are child led. We enjoyed a valentines fun night in February which was well supported by many families and the children all had fun with various activities. An amazing £400 was raised and this has already been spent on outdoor suits and clothing for visits to our Forest School area. This month we have an open afternoon for showcasing our Diversity and pupil leadership work and we have our parent/carer consultations. Please remember that I am always available at the school to support all our children and families so please do not hesitate to contact me for any concerns or issues that I can help with.



### Disabled Parking and Speed in Car Park

Can I please remind all families that the spaces directly in front of the main entrance are for blue badge holders only. Please refrain from parking in these spaces unless you are displaying your blue badge. Can I also remind all parent/carers that the speed limit is 5mph in our car park at all times. Unfortunately recently I have witnessed many drivers exceeding the speed limit and worry about the safety of all our children entering and exiting the school grounds. Your support with adhering to the speed limit is very important and appreciated.



Please remember our school is a NUT FREE ZONE. We currently have pupils who would take a severe reaction if they came into contact with nuts. Thank you for your co-operation with this and keeping all our children safe.



### Diary Dates

**Monday 4th,11th,18th,25th March Chef Robert to work with P5 and P6 Pupils**

**Monday 25th P5 Cooking Showcase 9.30-10.30am All P5 Parent/Carers welcome**

**Monday 25th March P6 Cooking Showcase 11am - 12 All P6 Parent/Carers welcome**

**Thursday 7th March World Book Day**

All children to wear pyjamas or comfy clothes

**Monday 11th-Friday 15th March STEM Week**

**Friday 15th March Comic Relief Day**

Children can dress down and bring in a donation

**Wednesday 20th March Parent/Carer consultations 3-8pm**

**Wednesday 27th March Spring Assembly @ Westwood Baptist Church 10am All Parent/Carers welcome**

**Wednesday 27th March Open Afternoon Celebrating Being Me 2-3pm All Parent/Carers Welcome More Info and Invitations to follow**

**Wednesday 27th March Dance Team Showcase @ Duncanrig**

**Thursday 28th March School closes for Spring Break**

## We Need Your Help!

We are very fortunate that we have had some parent/helpers come in to support our children in nursery and in school on a regular basis. We are now looking for more help and if you are able to spare anytime please let me or the class teacher know. We are very appreciative of any help and the positive impact it has for our children.

## Parent/Carers Consultation

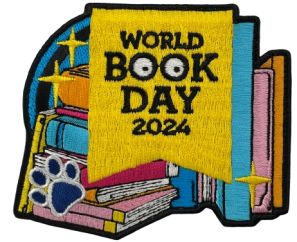
Parent/Carer consultations will take place on Wednesday 20th March. Prior to the update on your child's/children's learning progress learning journals will be sent home. During parent/carer consultations there will be QR codes displayed around the building for you to complete various short consultations and evaluations. It is really important that we all work together as a community to ensure the best outcomes for all our families. The QR codes will be accessible for all our parent/carers on their mobile phones. If you have any issues with any of the surveys or cannot gain access to the consultations please speak to a member of staff who will be able to assist you.

The new system of booking your own appointment through the parent portal which we ran for our November parent/carer consultations will be utilised again. It is very important if you are not signed up to the parent portal that you complete this next week as the appointments will go live on Monday 11th March. If you require any assistance with booking appointments or accessing the portal please contact the school office.

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## World Book Day

On Thursday 7th March we are celebrating World Book Day. There will be a swap shop bistro running where children can bring in novels that they have finished with and take books home to enjoy from the swap station. Please send in any books which have been read so that children have plenty of choice when they come to the Swap Shop Bistro! We also have planned stories round a campfire so please ensure the children are dressed with warm clothes. Our older children are visiting Kilbryde ELC and our nursery to share stories. A busy and fun day where we can all spend time escaping to different worlds through our books!



## Achievements

Recently our children have been enjoying participating in Netball, Football across the learning community. All teams have been a credit to our school and the Cross Country team are training for their competition on 19th March. Our **Achieving Above and Beyond** gallery in our school open area looks great! If your child/children participate in activities outwith school and receive any awards please send in a photograph with their achievement for our wall. Or send the award in and we will photograph your child/children with their achievement for our gallery. So that our whole community can see all our learners' achievements we are going to trial emailing out QR codes which will allow you access to our Above and Beyond Gallery. This QR code will be emailed later this month.



## Fundraising

We are very fortunate and grateful that one of our families is joining up with the Harvester in East Kilbride to run an event on Friday 29th March. This event was held last year and the funds raised went to the cost of our buses for our annual day out for the whole school community in June. I have attached a flyer with this newsletter with details of the evening.