



Newsletter

February 2015

Dear Parent / Carer,

Cup of Kindness

Our most recent winner of the Cup of Kindness is Selene. She has every reason to be proud of herself as this was awarded for her consistent kindness towards others. Staff have noticed Selene's good manners, which she uses without having to think about it. Selene is a positive, kind and helpful girl each and every day and provides an excellent example for other pupils of how easy it is to make people happy through your actions. Keep up the excellent work, Selene and well done!



Nuts in School

Some pupils at school suffer from a severe food allergy to peanuts/nuts. Exposure to peanuts/nuts may cause serious allergic reaction that requires emergency medical treatment so it is vital that there is strict avoidance of this food in school, to reduce the chance of this occurring. Please do not send any peanut or nut containing products to school with your child. Thank you for your support with this matter.

Name a Tanker Competition



Following her victory in a national competition run by Scottish Fuels, Jessica enjoyed her moment in the limelight when pupils were joined by Regional Manager, Arthur MacDonald, who unveiled the two week old oil tanker; which Jessica named! Several newspapers ran the story and P4 pupils excitedly greeted the awaiting press when they arrived at school. Beauly Primary has now received the books purchased with Jessica's £150 prize for the school and also benefitted from the 100% commission at

the book stall at our Winter Fair, which amazingly doubled the impact of the prize. Jessica also selected some books, one of which she was kind enough to give to her younger sister, Maya. Well done, Jessica! We are all proud of what you have achieved!

Beauly Cross Country Championships

What a fantastic effort from all our P4-7 runners at the Beauly Cross Country Championships. The muddy, wet, cold and windy conditions certainly failed to dampen enthusiasm! Our races were very competitive and younger runners did particularly well this year. Special thanks to the family members that came to watch in high numbers and a huge THANK YOU to Seona Fraser (Beauly RBS) for presenting the medals and awards. Mrs. Fraser has worked closely with the school for a number of years and has recently supported fundraising projects in our school garden, for a new Trim Track and for charity. This is in addition to volunteering regularly for events throughout the school year. Well done to everyone that took part, especially our medal winners from each year group and our new school champions, Lucy (P5) and Rory (P7).

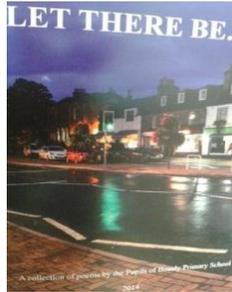


2014/15 Beauly Cross Country Champions, Lucy and Rory



Let there Be.....

Copies of 'Let There Be.....'. are still available to purchase from the school office. This collection of poems were written by pupils from Nursery through to P7 in the 2013/2014 academic year, following input by poet and storyteller, Mrs. Janet MacInnes and with the support of Lydia Michael Trust. Special thanks must also be noted for Mrs. Rhoda Dunbar, who ensured that the poems were published. The standard of writing is simply breathtaking! The book makes a wonderful gift for family members in addition to being a fantastic keepsake for pupils, for years to come.



Highland Inter-School Basketball League

Massive congratulations to all our basketball players and coaches, Adam and Laura for a wonderful season of basketball to date. The Under 10 Beaulieu Bears Basketball Team completed the league undefeated after eight competitive games. They now assume the title of U10 Highland League Basketball Champions! Well done to everyone associated with the team and a special mention for those that did not play in the play-off games on the final day.

The newly formed Under 12 Beaulieu Bears basketball team can be equally as proud after finishing runners-up in the 'Silver' Cup competition. Beaulieu has improved significantly in a short space of time; this is highlighted further by players representing Beaulieu in the Highland select teams. In addition to two previous players, (now attending Charleston) a further two players from our U10 team have now been invited to join the Highland select; congratulations to Daisy and Jamie for this wonderful achievement. It does not end there! Jamie was also selected as the Most Valuable Player (MVP) in the U10 League throughout the entire season. Wow, well done everyone!

U10 Highland Basketball Champions



World Book Day - 05/03/15

Thursday 5 March is World Book Day and the Library Group would like pupils to come to school dressed up as a book character, just for fun! It is free to take part! Pupils should also take their favourite book to school.

£ Red Nose Day - 13/03/15

The Fundraising Citizenship Group are raising money for Red Nose Day across the school. They are asking all pupils to come to school on Friday 13th March with their face and hair funny! Pupils are encouraged to make a donation for charity and each donation will be rewarded with a red nose. Staff are also being roped in! A raffle is being run and the winners will get to paint a staff members face funny! Raffle tickets will be on sale on Thurs 12th March from the P6/7 room at playtime and lunch time. Raffle tickets will cost 25p for 1 or £1 for 5. Staff face painting will take place on Friday.



Parents Evening

Parent Evenings will take place on **Thursday 19th March from 5.00pm - 7.00pm** and **Tuesday 24th March from 3.30pm - 5.30pm** (with crèche facility available). P3 and P6/7 Meetings will take place within the 'Flat Roof Building' and all other meetings will take place in the main building. Appointment letters will be issued separately.

£ Dress Down Day - 27/03/15



Our next Dress Down Day will be on Friday 27th March. A non-uniform day is generally held on the last Friday of each month and provides the children (and staff!) with a special day to look forward to. The donation to the school fund (generally £1) makes a huge difference over the course of the year and supports a wide range of special opportunities for children in the school. This might include subsidised class trips, visiting performers or the occasional special treat. Thank you all for your support with this initiative.

Parents Council Meeting

The next Parent Council Meeting is planned for Tuesday 28th April at 7pm in the Support for Learning Rm (Flat Roof Building). New members are always encouraged to come along. Existing volunteers are always delighted to see new faces at the meetings to build on the excellent ongoing support that our Parent Council provides. If you do not already attend please consider coming along - there are proportionally a very small number of parent representatives who would love to have more volunteers involved.



Nursery and Primary 1 Enrolment

Highland Council's designated Nursery and Primary 1 Enrolment weeks have now both passed and initial indications are that school numbers are set to increase to approximately 132 in August 2015. This is an increase of 18 pupils in the last three years. From data available to the school, future predictions suggest that school roll figures are likely to remain consistently high through 2016 with the potential of further increases in 2017.

SUPPORTING OUR FUNDRAISING

Rag Bag

Our rag bag collection bin is now located in the school playground, beside the blue recycle bin. All the following items are accepted;

All mens, ladies and children's clothing

Paired shoes (tied together)

Handbags, ties and belts

Soft toys

Blankets

Underwear to include socks, tights, pants and bras etc

Household textiles, towels, bed linen, curtains etc

All items should be wearable, dry and clean. **To date this has raised £936.70**

Easyfundraising

As the title suggests it is easy to sign up and raise money for Beauly Primary School. Simply log on to www.easyfundraising.org.uk select support a good cause, search BPS, select and support us now, follow the online instructions and happy shopping. There is also a link to this on the school website. **To date this has raised £461.34**

Your valued and continued support with all our fundraising initiatives really does make a difference to every child in the school. Thank you!

Severe Weather Arrangements/School Closure

Guidelines for travelling to school during adverse weather have now been shared and are always available on the school website. Please keep this information for use during the winter months. The phone number for the telephone messaging service is 0800 564 2272, and the school pin is 041530. This service will be given the highest priority in the event of a closure, followed by other methods of communication e.g. Radio Broadcast and School Blog.

Distribution of Newsletter

If you haven't already signed up to have an electronic version sent to you we would be grateful if you could complete the form below and return to the school office. If you are unable to access the electronic version and require a paper copy please complete the return slip accordingly or contact the school.

Name of Child..... Class

Email address

Second email address (if required)

Name of Parent

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