



Newsletter

MARCH/APRIL 2015

Dear Parent / Carer,
Cup of Kindness



Huge congratulations to our latest winner of the Cup of Kindness, Lennox. This special award is given out to only a handful of children throughout the year and celebrates considerate, thoughtful and helpful pupils. Children and staff across the school are consistently aware of the excellent example that Lennox sets for others and it came as no surprise that he had won; to nobody apart from Lennox himself! He brimmed with pride when receiving the award and said, "I'm completely shocked but totally over the moon!" We all hope that pupils across the school will follow the wonderful example that, Lennox and our previous winners set for them.

New Staff

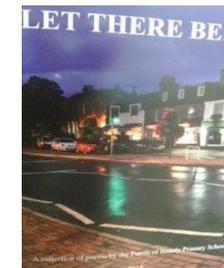
A huge WELCOME to two new members of staff at Beaully Primary School, following successful interviews. The interview panel experienced a closely contested process, with a high caliber of candidates and some excellent interviews. We are delighted to announce that Janice Wilson is now contracted to work as a Pupil Support Assistant and started immediately. Leah Donaldson will also join the staff as a Pupil Support Assistant and will join our team as soon as the relevant paperwork is in place.

Trimtrack Donation

A massive thank you to Seona Fraser and Rosemary Gordon for both donating £250 through the RBS Community Cashback scheme (total £500). This is warmly received and will be put towards our Trim-Track fundraising, which now stands at £7,070.00. A 'Sponsored Danceathon' is planned for Term 4, with the hope that we can work towards putting this equipment in place in the playground in the near future.

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.



Lochalsh Dirty 30 Challenge Walk

Susan and Lynn take up the 'Lochalsh Dirty 30 Challenge Walk' on Saturday 13th June 2015, involving a thirty mile cross country walk. Lynn also plans to arrange a raffle and will make her sponsorship forms available through her local business, Body Beautiful. All sponsorship very generously donated to Beaully Primary School. Anyone wishing to sponsor the brave pair are also welcome to contact the school office. More information regarding the challenge can be found at: www.lochalsh-trails.co.uk

School Meals Price Increase

Primary School meals will increase from £1.95 to £2.10 following the Easter holiday. Morning Break snack prices are noted below;

Piece of Toast & Spread	0.15p	Cuplets of Fresh Fruit Juice	0.25p
Small Piece of Fruit	0.15p	Milk Cartons	0.30p
Scone/Pancake/Homebaking	0.25p	Flavoured Milk Cartons	0.35p
Glass of Milk (150mls)	0.15p	Bottled Water (330mls)	0.30p
Glass of Milk Shake (150ml)	0.20p	Aquajuce 200ml	0.25p
Glass of Pure Fruit Juice (150ml)	0.15p	Aquajuce 85ml	0.20p

Culloden Basketball Tournament

Our senior basketball team participated in the annual Inverness Basketball Tournament on Monday and played very well, demonstrating excellent team spirit and behaviour throughout. It was a challenging competition and Beaully had the youngest team on the day. Each of the other competing teams played with only P7 pupils, however the Beaully Bears had some P6 and P5 pupils representing the school. The team finished in eighth place. This is in addition to our P4/5 Highland League victory earlier in the year and runner-up medals for our P6/7s in the 'Silver League'. Beaully has enjoyed a fantastic basketball season, thanks to coaches, Adam and Laura. Well done to all our pupils that have played throughout the season!





Kirkhill Cross Country

Well done to everyone that took part at the Charleston Associated Schools Group (ASG) Cross Country Championships. The event was cancelled previously due to the snow and the boys and girls were delighted to finally get running! The P4/5 Boys did incredibly well, coming second in their team event. The P4/5 Girls went one better and retained the trophy that they had won last year - WELL

DONE! The trophy, which is twelve years old now has now been won for the fourth time by Beaully Primary School, with Teanassie and Kirkhill having also won it four times; this will make it all the more interesting when the event returns next year! The school is lucky to have so many runners who are keen to represent the school, a team of twenty three took part and represented the school incredibly well throughout the event, whether running or spectating. In addition to the winning girls team, Stuart and Eve each managed to finish in third place. Huge recognition must be paid to our coaches, Mrs. P. Mackenzie and Mrs. Nair, who provide support, encouragement and training in all weathers for both cross country and athletics, throughout the academic year.

Red Nose Day

Well done to everyone who made an effort in making their face and hair funny for money on Red Nose Day. We had some VERY happy pupils after some facial modification for our staff after our Funny Face Raffle, with a little help from some face paints! It was all worth it, with £456.50 going to an incredibly worthwhile cause! More Funny Faces on the Blog.



Parent 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. Given the size of the school, proportionally there are a very small number of parent representatives and we would love to have more volunteers involved.



McRobert Cup McRobert Cup Cross Country

Every runner selected for the McRobert Cup should be proud of themselves - with many excellent placings in the second largest running event in Scotland. In particular, Eve, Oliver, Lennox, Amber and Derek managed to finish in the top 15 of their race! Stuart, running as a P4 in the P4/5 race, managed a fantastic 3rd and is already thinking about returning next year when he is one year older. Lucy, who is our current girls Beaully Cross Country Champion ran an incredible race, leading from the start and that, is where she finished! Well done! Lucy is now both Beaully and South Highland Cross Country Champion! Our P4/5 running teams both did well too, the girls finishing in 3rd, with Croy in 2nd and Auldearn winning. The boys topped their section and took home a trophy - much to everyone's delight. Well done everyone!



DRESS DOWN DAY

£ Dress Down Day - 24/04/15

Our next Dress Down Day will be on Friday 24th April. 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. Thank you all for your support with this initiative.

Fundraiser

The nursery is holding a fundraiser on 30th April in the school gym hall. Louisa Maclean from The Kitchen Range in Dingwall is going to perform a cooking demonstration. Louisa will demonstrate how to cook several delicious dishes (which you will be able to sample) in an easy and fun way. A recipe booklet will be provided for you to take home. You will also have the opportunity to buy the useful utensils and gadgets she uses in her demonstrations. Refreshments will be provided. There will be a raffle on the night. Tickets are limited and will cost £5 each.



Coming Soon.....

The Phipps Hall has been booked for a P3-P7 Performance on Thursday 4th June. This will involve international musicians, song, dance and art contributions by our ArtLab Club. This has been made possible by significant financial support through Lydia Michael Trust. More information and ticket availability will be shared in due course.



Also, Beaulieu Primary School has booked a whole school (including nursery) performance of 'Artie's Tartan Tales' for Thursday 25th June. This is going to be delivered by well-known Artie Trezise, formerly from The Singing Kettle.

Draw Your Mum for Mother's Day

Becky Davies, Marketing and Promotions Executive from the Eastgate Shopping Centre recently contacted the school to announce the winners of the 'Draw Your Mum for Mother's Day Competition'. Following over 750 entries, all of which were displayed in Eastgate, we were delighted to learn that Larry in P4 was a winner! Larry won a £30 Eastgate Shopping Centre voucher AND a voucher for a PANDORA bracelet and a charm, to the value of £95 for his mum. Everyone in school took part and thought it was great fun. Of course, it was also lovely to be able to help raise money for the Archie Foundation Raigmore Appeal, who are now £300 better off!

Reminder to All Parents/Carers

Pupil Absences

Please contact the school office before 9.30am if your child will not be attending school for any reason, unless prior contact has been made.

Parent Contact Details

Please keep us updated with any changes of address, telephone numbers (home and work), mobile numbers and emergency contact details.

Pupil Medicines

Please ensure that you inform us of any medication your child is taking or any conditions affecting your child's wellbeing, providing medication where applicable. Please help us to be prepared for any eventuality; all information will be treated confidentially.

Head Lice Advice

Head lice are often a problem within schools and the wider community. Regularly practicing 'wet combing' with a suitable comb is advisable for parents of children throughout their school years. If head lice are detected, Pharmacists are able to advise on the management of a head louse infection. We would also be grateful if you would contact the school if you find your child has head lice. Children should be returned to school once they have been treated. Head Lice 'alert letters' are against Highland Council policy as most schools will have a few pupils with head lice at any one time. Also, in the past these letters have led to parents attempting preventative treatment which does not work and over-use of treatment may also lead to resistance.

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 £1013.10**

Easyfundraising

As the title suggests it is easy to sign up and raise money for Beaulieu 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 £462.75**

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

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

I would like to receive an emailed newsletter

I require a paper copy

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