

Parent Council Meeting – Tuesday 04th October 2022

Head Teacher's Report

As I write this month's HT Report, I can hear the rain and wind hammering against my office window reminding me that summer is well and truly behind us and the approaching winter is creeping ever closer. That said it has not deterred the school from pushing on with our exciting plans to add more play equipment in the playground. The work has been completed on our new Trim-Trail and the children are very keen to find out when they will be able to use it. We explained to the pupils in the previous two school assemblies that the equipment has not to be used until it has passed a safety inspection from a Kompan Representative. After that, class teachers will each take their class out to talk through the expectations for safe use and draw up a class charter similar to the climbing frame charter.

The good news for the playground continues thanks to the support of the Parent Council. We now have 10 brand new benches installed along the grass mound between the fruit trees we planted in March. This new feature will offer pupils the opportunity to find somewhere peaceful to sit and talk with their friend while enjoying their snacks. It is also expected to remove the type of play that can occur on this open grass mound area.

What a wonderful time so many families had at the Braehead Arena thanks to Glasgow Clan. I hope it is the first of many such invitations for our families to enjoy. It was also so nice to see so many parents supporting the World at Work Day by coming into school and explaining what jobs they do. We had scientists to ship builders and the children had a wonderful time. Let us hope they have been inspired to explore new avenues in the work place.

We had a fantastic Maths Week and once again a huge thank you to Mrs Strang for all of the wonderful activities that took place as a result of her tremendous preparation in both Maths week and World at Work Day. Pupils had so much fun with mental maths strategies such as 'Chat that Counts' as well as some visiting Clyde College and our Primary 1 pupils and parents enjoyed the afterschool storytelling with Dan Serridge. Dan will also be coming back into school to lead on some exciting outdoor projects. We also had a very nice open Day in the classrooms which was so well attended and demonstrated how nice and important it is once again to be able to have visitors inside the school.

Later this evening at the Parent Council meeting, Miss Mohd will expand on the Rights Respecting Schools initiative and I thank Miss Mohd in advance for doing so.

As always, if there is anything you wish to discuss or if you have any concerns, please use the Headteacher email address at the bottom and I will get back to you as quickly as possible.

Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes,

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