









Milton Primary School

Our School Vision: To ensure every child achieves their full potential in a safe, kind, exciting and encouraging environment.

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I hope all our Milton families had an enjoyable Easter break - as a staff we can't quite believe we are already in the final term of the session! We have a number of events, clubs and activities this term and as the weather improves we also hope to continue to develop our outdoor learning in the surrounding village areas as well as our own wild space.

Our first Come and See day since Covid will be held a week on Friday (28th April 2.00-2.45). This will focus on Number Talks and how this has been used across all classes this session to help aid number sense and computational fluency. We look forward to welcoming you on the day if you are able to join us. More information can be found overleaf.

Just before the Easter break we had a biscuit stall and sweetie bouquet to raise money for the planned events on the Coronation Day celebration. Thank you for supporting this which has allowed us to purchase treats for the day and also pay for our silent disco. Well done to Ella who won our sweetie bouquet - I hope you shared your yummy treats!!

Tomats (UARBO)

Lorna James Head Teacher

Our Aims and Values

- * To ensure all pupils are nurtured, safe, active, healthy, achieving, included, respected and responsible.
- * To promote rights and responsibility and through this, aim for every member of the school community to be treated with equality, fairness and respect.
- * To provide a wide range of opportunities which give the children the capacity to become successful learners, confident individuals, responsible citizens and effective contributors.
- * To improve the achievement and attainment by providing high quality education.

At the Heart of Milton is...



Hard Work

Enthusiasm

Achievement

Respect

Team Work

<u>Planting Time!</u>

In the coming weeks our outdoor committee (P1/2) will be planting some bedding plants and our House and Vice Captains will be tending to our Legacy Garden as well as our Eco Garden area. We are always on the look out for any donations of seeds, bulbs, plants or soil - even half packets that are no longer needed can make a big difference. If you have any unwanted items (especially compost/soil) these can be left at our school office - thank you.

Online Safety Campaign

Scottish Government's Child Online Safety
Campaign has been launched. The campaign aims to increase awareness of the importance of online safety to parents and carers of children aged 8-11 year olds and reassure and inform them that the skills they apply offline to help keep their children safe can be used to help protect them online too. A supporting hub at:- parentclub.scot/online-safety is packed with practical ideas and advice for parents to feel more confident and informed on the steps they can take to help keep their children safer online.

<u>Parent Council - Highland Games Float - Saturday</u> 17th June

The Parent Council will once again be entering a float at the Lesmahagow Highland Games on Saturday 17th June. The theme of this years float will be 100 years of Disney.

Children and their accompanying adult(s) can come and join in dressed as any Disney character. Remember Disney includes Marvel superheroes, Princesses/Princes, Star Wars and Mickey/Minnie to name but a few. If you would like to add your name or have any questions please let Jude Clarke or Alison Shaw know or email miltonfloat@yahoo.com

Bikeability

A reminder that our Primary 5 and Primary 6 bikeability will be starting this term. Our Primary 5 bikeability will take place after school 3-4 and our Primary 6 lessons - theory and practical will take place during the school day. Letters have been issued from class teachers to give all dates for these sessions and the requirements for being 'bike ready'.

Parent Council - Race Night Success

A fantastic race night was held by our Parent Council in March. The amazing amount of £585 was raised with the children's Prime coin roll certainly being a big hit!! Thank you to all who were able to come and support on the night and the organisation from the Parent Council on the night and prior to the event.

<u>Come and See Open afternoon - Number Talks</u> <u>Friday 28th April 2.00 - 2.45</u>

Our open afternoon on Friday 28th April will allow parents/carers to attend their own child's class and observe a Number Talks sessions taking place. If you are able to come along anytime during 2.00 - 2.45, you will be made most welcome. This is an informal drop in session where you will be able to chat with your child as they take part in their activities and will provide an opportunity to see the kind of work ongoing in the classroom and the pupil/teacher interactions.

Number Talks is based on how children learn number concepts and engages them in thinking about problems and questions that are needed to support learning, making mathematics meaningful to them, rather than following procedures that are not. Pupils and staff have talked enthusiastically about how Number Talks has helped with mental calculations and we are excited to open our classrooms to visitors and share this innovative teaching in the classroom across all stages.

Dates for your Diary

Wed 19th April - P5 bikeability 3.00 - 4.00 (1/4)

Tues 25th - P1-3 Generation Science Workshop in school (no cost for this event)

Wed 26th - P5 bikeability 3.00 - 4.00 (2/4)

Fri 28th - Come & See afternoon 2.00 - 2.45

Tues 2nd - Inset Day

Thurs 4th - Coronation Day themed lunch

Mon 8th - Holiday

Fri 28th - Football/netball tournament

Mon 1st May - Holiday

Wed 3^{rd} - P5 bikeability 3.00 - 4.00 (3/4)

Fri 5th - Coronation Celebration Day