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Weekly Update **Friday 19th January 2024**

Dear Families,

It has been a busy week with all classes settled into the new term, working hard and enjoying their learning. I have had a super second week settling in and have been made to feel very welcome by everyone.

Curriculum Overviews

Curriculum Overviews outlining key learning for this term will be sent home next week.

Burns Lunch

We will be celebrating Burns Day on Thursday 25th January which is available on ParentPay. Children can come to school wearing a touch of tartan if they wish; we will be having a special Burns lunch as well as lots of fun learning experiences.

Parent Consultations

We will be holding Parent Consultation this term. These will take place in person. This will be an opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher and discuss their progress. These will take place on **Tuesday 28th March (3:30 – 6:30pm)** and **Wednesday 29th March. (3:30 – 6:30pm)**. Further information to follow.

Showbie

We will shortly be launching our Showbie learning platform with families. Letters with login instructions on how to access your child's Learning Portfolio and for your child's Class Group will be sent home next week. Showbie is a secure online learning platform where teachers and students can collaborate, celebrate success, empower learners, share content, and use educational apps to supplement in-class learning.

We will be using Showbie as a key way of reporting on your child's progress as well as communicating learning and class events.

[Showbie Parent Tutorial - YouTube](#)

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Sleep

We have noticed that several children have come back to school complaining that they are really tired and are finding it difficult to focus on their schoolwork during the day. Children have said that they are staying up late on their screens/devices/phones in their bedrooms and playing games or watching TV. Regular sleep is an important factor in enabling children to be ready to learn at school during the day. If they are not getting sufficient sleep this will have negative impact on their health, education and general wellbeing. Further information on supporting a good night's sleep can be found by clicking the link below.

[Children & Families - Sleep Action](#)

Nurture

At the heart of our approach to positive relationships is our underlying whole school approach to Nurture. As a nurturing school, we recognise that positive relationships are central to both learning and wellbeing. All educational settings in Scottish Borders are implementing nurturing approaches. Schools' and settings' core values will ensure that there is an increasing emphasis on positive relationships as well as learning. This involves everyone.

A nurturing approach has a key focus on our school environment and emphasises the balance between care and challenge, which incorporates warmth and connection alongside structure, high expectations and a focus on achievement and attainment. It is based on the understanding of 6 Nurturing Principles, which have been adapted and are outlined below:

1. Children's learning is understood developmentally
2. The environment offers a safe base
3. The importance of nurture for the development of wellbeing
4. Language is a vital means of communication
5. All behaviour is communication
6. Transitions are important in children and young people's lives

Attached to this week's update is a Nurture information leaflet published by SBC.

Collection of P1 and P2

At the end of the day during collection time, class teachers let the children out individually. Please allow them time to do this to ensure they know the children have been collected safely

P7 Parents Information Evening

P7 parents/carers are invited to a meeting at Eyemouth High School on Thursday 1st February at 6:30pm. Please note this is a change of date.

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ELC Update

All children have had a super start to the term and have settled in well. They have been exploring their interests in magnets, ice and superheroes and have been playing lots of imaginative games based on our story of the week "Supertato". Our Playing with Music group for our twos and new three year olds started this week in the EYC, and on Tuesday the 23rd January, our next block of Peep sessions start for the Pink and Yellow groups. Next week we will be exploring Burns' Day with Scottish stories, songs, snacks and experiences. We are all looking forward to Scottish music and country dancing!

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 25th February	Burns Lunch
Thursday 1st February	P7 information Evening at EYHS 6:30pm
Friday 9th February	Last day for pupils
Monday 12th February	Eyemouth Cluster Holiday
Tuesday 13th February	February Holiday
Monday 19th February	In-service Day
Tuesday 20th February	Pupils return to school
Tuesday 28th March	Parent Consultations
Wednesday 29th March	Parent Consultations
Friday 28th March	Last day of Term

Communication

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We will continue to regularly communicate information through our Facebook and X pages.

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And Finally

Wishing you all a lovely weekend. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Monday at 8:45am.

Kind Regards

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