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Weekly Update Friday 23rd February 2024

Dear Families,

I hope everyone enjoyed the February break. It is lovely to welcome our children back to school. We have lots of exciting learning planned and are looking forward to an action packed second half of the term.

Showbie

We have now launched 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 were sent home before the holidays. 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.

If you have not yet signed up, we would encourage you to do so as 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

World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 7^{th} March with a variety of fun literacy activities and reading events. The theme for this week is 'bedtime stories and children in PI – 3 can come to school wearing their pyjamas if they wish. All children will receive a World Book Day Token.

Staffing Update

We are delighted to welcome back Mr Bradley Patterson to our ELC as an Early Years Practitioner. Mr Patterson is no stranger to our school having previously worked in our ELC and we look forward to him starting with us soon.

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Parent Consultations

We will be holding Parent Consultations 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 26th March (3:30 – 6:30pm) and Wednesday 27th March. (3:30 – 6:30pm).

Further information on how to book your appointment will be provided at the end of next week.

Class Assemblies

We look forward to welcoming our families to Class Assemblies this term. These take place on Monday mornings in the main hall for the following classes on:

Monday 26th February- P4, P4/5 and P5 Monday 4th March- P3A and P3B Monday 18th March- P2A and 2B

Parents and carers should enter via the side door at the assembly hall.

Scottish Borders Council Survey

In Scottish Borders Council we carry out quality assurance processes to evaluate the quality of provision across all schools and settings. As part of this we want to gather the views of key stakeholders (learners, parents/carers, staff and partners), giving them the opportunity to provide their views of their setting or school.

Partner views will be gathered using an online questionnaire available below:

Parents/Carers (Primary) Primary Survey

Parent/ carer (ELC) <u>ELC Survey</u>

We would like to encourage you to complete the questionnaire by **Thursday 29 February**.

Stovielicious Days.

We had a fantastic first session of our Stovielicious event this week with lots of delicious stovies made. Parents/grandparents/carers are welcome to join their child's class for our second session at the allocated time below:

Tuesday 27th February

10.45-11.45 PIB & P7C 12.45-1.45 P6B & P2B

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2.00-3.00 P7B & P4/5

ELC Update

This week in nursery the children have been learning about the Lunar (Chinese) New year - tasting Chinese food and practicing Chinese writing. They have been enjoying our refreshed Quiet Room, reading lots of stories, riding on the new rocking horse and relaxing in our new teepee. The self-service paint-mixing station in the craft area is also very popular! We have also enjoyed getting out and about in the woods spotting signs of spring.

Due to a change in plan, ELC children will not be taking part in the Stovielicious event in school next Tuesday. We will instead be carrying on with our Peep sessions and we are hoping to offer a healthy cookery session in the Easter or summer holidays.

Please remember that we are open for drop in Stay and Play on a Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons from 2.40-3.10pm. You and your child can also change their ELC Library book at this time – we hope to see you there!

Dates for your Diary

Monday 26 th February	P4, P4.5 & P5 Class Assembly
Tuesday 27 th February	Stovielicious Day
Thursday 29 th February	Cross Country Championship
Monday 4 th March	P3A and P3B Class Assembly
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day
Friday 15 th March	Red Nose Day (details to follow)
Monday 18 th March	P2 A and P2B Class Assembly
Tuesday 26 th March	Parent Consultations
Wednesday 27 th March	Parent Consultations
Thursday 28 th March	Last day of Term

And Finally

The days are getting longer and lighter as we fast approach spring. Wishing everyone a lovely weekend. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Monday morning.

Kind Regards

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