



Crosshouse School News

August 2015 – May 2016



Unicef Day for Change (added 10.5.16)

To link with rights and the work of the Unicef charity children can dress down in BLUE (no cost) on Friday 13th May. We ask that each child brings some 'loose change' and classes will have a chance to come and put their change on the 'World'. We will be having a special assembly all about Unicef and the work of the charity linking this to rights.

Track and Field Event (added 6.5.16)

Congratulations to the P6/7 children who took part in the East Kilbride Sports Council Track and Field Event at John Wright Sports Centre today. The sun was shining and all the children had a great day participating in a range of track and field events. Congratulations to Cameron who won a Bronze medal for the P7 Boys 600m, Abigail who won a Silver medal in the P7 girls 100m and Meghan who won Silver in the P6 girls Javelin event. A huge sporting achievement for all!

Scottish Water Event (added 26.4.16)

On Thursday 31st March Room 13 had a fantastic time when players and coaches from a local football team came to our school to help them understand the water cycle through a variety of activities including football games.

Primary One Induction Afternoons (added 24.3.16)

New Starts August 2016

Crosshouse Primary would like to invite you and your child to visit the school on Wednesday 25th May from 1.30pm-2.45pm and Thursday 26th May from 1.00pm to 2.45pm.

Pre-Induction Survey

In order to gather parent/carers views on the enrolment process and to help to inform induction events we have devised a short survey that is available by [clicking here](#). Thank you in advance for taking the time to complete this survey.

Extra Curricular Clubs (added 18.3.16)

This week will be the final week of extra-curricular clubs this term. Many thanks to the staff who deliver clubs, the children really enjoy attending such a wide variety of clubs! We are continually looking for exciting additions to our programme and welcome any support from parents to deliver clubs before, during or after school. Please contact Miss Ashwood if you would like to volunteer next term.

Rights Made Real (added 11.3.16)

Keep an eye out for our new school gate banners to promote Rights Made Real at Crosshouse! Competition winner Emma Taylor's logo is on the banner and looks fantastic! We are looking forward to welcoming Hopscotch Theatre Company next week to perform 'Rights of the Child'. There will be a short homework task issued after the performance for all children to reflect on the show.

Information for Parents (added 7.3.16)

Crosshouse Primary School will shortly be running a survey with P5 to P7 pupils. The survey is called the Children's Wellbeing Survey. Each child will be asked to complete a short online questionnaire during class time. The results of the survey will be used to understand the

wellbeing needs of children and help staff to improve services in your area.

In addition to the survey, information will be added to the survey answers. This is called data linkage. No names will be used when answering the survey or in linking the local authority information – there will be no way children or families can be identified. For more information on data linkage and other parts of the programme, please see the [Frequently Asked Questions on this website](#).

This will help to improve the way children's services are planned and delivered by your local authority and their partners, such as education or voluntary organisations. The results will not look at children's responses on an individual basis. This ensures that all responses are unidentifiable. The results of the project will be used to understand the wellbeing needs of children in your area.

Micro Tyco Update (added 29.2.16)

Last week we ran hugely successful lunchtime discos on Thursday/Friday. Children came along to the gym hall and danced their way through lunchtime. We also ran a nail bar during the discos! Guess the Bear's Name was won by Zack in Room 10 and the name was Barney! Congratulations Zack! Many thanks to all the children who supported Micro Tyco, we raised a huge £115 for the WildHearts Foundation. All money created by the Micro-Tyco is invested in micro-loans for poor entrepreneurs in the developing world.

Micro Tyco Events (added 24.2.16)

Micro Tyco is challenge set by the WildHearts charity to encourage children to become entrepreneurs to support entrepreneurs in Africa. This week Rooms 6 and 9 are working in partnership to turn £1 into as much money for the charity as possible. Events this week will be - Thursday Lunchtime Disco £1 for P4-7, Friday Lunchtime Disco £1 P1-3. Money for the disco will be collected on the day. We will be also running an express nail bar for 50p during the discos. Finally, you can win the bear by guessing his name for 50p! Many thanks for your continued support.

The Human Body (added 15.2.16)

Rooms 7 and 8 have been learning about the Human Body. For their homework task they created posters and 3D models which they shared with the rest of the school at Assembly. See the gallery for pictures!

Extra Curricular Clubs (added 22.2.16)

Many thanks to many of our teachers and support staff who have volunteered to take a range of clubs this term. We are always looking for new and innovative clubs to offer more variety to the children across the school. If any of our parents/carers have a particular skill and would be interested in taking a club or helping out at a club then we would be extremely grateful. Please contact Miss Ashwood if you are interested. Parents/carers are asked to note that after school clubs will not run on Wednesday 3rd February, Wednesday 24th February and Tuesday 1st March due to staff meetings.

Burns' Assembly added (29.1.16)

Well done to the children from Primaries 4 to 7 for a fantastic Burns' Assembly. Each and every one of them were outstanding, with a special mention going to Liam from P7 who won the overall poetry prize. Check out our [news gallery](#) for the latest pictures!

Burns' Assembly added (12.1.16)

We will hold our annual Burns Assembly on Friday 22nd January at 1.30pm. Our P4-7s will lead the assembly. Due to the high audience numbers attending school events we are only able to accommodate our P4-7 parents/carers. We look forward to seeing you.

Find us on Twitter (added 12.1.16)

Our Twitter feed is now live! Updates on children's learning, school events, important information and tweets from selected bodies, such as Education Scotland are posted daily. We have 85 followers at the moment and hope to increase this substantially. Please join Twitter and follow us @crosshouseps for up to the minute news. Click on the twitter symbol above to find us!

Staffing News (added 12.1.16)

At the end of term we said goodbye to Miss Turton who was successful in gaining a permanent post in North Lanarkshire. Mrs Guy and Mrs Sprott will cover in Room 5 until our personnel department appoint a new teacher. This term we welcome Mrs Laird to our school. Mrs Laird is a school support assistant who will be working in Room 5.

Email Service (added 12.1.16)

We will be using email more often to communicate information to parents/carers. Our email system operates in the same way as our text messaging system but there is no charge. Please check your email regularly. Thank you.

P1 Enrolment Open Afternoon (added 10.12.15)

If you are considering enrolling your child to the school we will be hosting an informal open afternoon on Thursday 7th January at 1.30pm. We would be delighted to welcome parents/carers and children to this event and look forward to meeting you.

P1 Enrolment Procedures

Enrolment for children due to start school August 2016 will take place week beginning 11th January 2016. Please call the school to make an appointment. Two proofs of address and a full birth certificate are required, and it can only be a parent/carer who attends the enrolment. As this is mainly an administrative task children are not required to attend.

Nativity/Carol Singing (added 10.12.15)

This year's nativity play will be performed by our children in Primary 1. The children in P2 and P3 will form the choir for the nativity. Children in P4-P7 will conclude the nativity with Christmas Carols. From Monday 7th December additional tickets can be purchased from the office.

Primary 6 & H2O Programme (added 20.11.15)

Room 13 had a very exciting visit from two Queen's Park F.C. football coaches on Monday 16th November. Together with the Scottish Football League Trust and Scottish Water they delivered an interactive classroom session focusing on 'The Water Cycle' and 'Our Bodies and Water' followed by a football activity session in the hall. The children enjoyed learning more about water and loved the fun football training session. See our class gallery for pictures.

World of Work Afternoon (added 13.11.15)

Rooms 3 and 6 held a very successful 'Let's Learn Together' event last Thursday (19.11.15). Parents were invited to join in their child's learning about the wider world of work. 'People who help us' from across the local community volunteered to come along and talk to the children about their job. It was a fantastic afternoon with children and parents learning together. We also had a special visit from the local fire station with their engine! Many, many thanks to the parents and local business partners who supported this event. Look in the gallery at some of our pictures!

Rights Made Real Steering Group (added 18.11.15)

At Crosshouse Primary School we have established a Rights Made Real Steering Group who will meet approximately once a month to discuss the school's journey as a rights respecting school. There are pupils and staff members on our group and we are looking forward to sharing our ideas and embedding rights within our school. Please see our section on the website with

updates on our progress. Congratulations to all those were elected to be part of the group by their peers and teachers!

Children in Need (added 13.11.15)

A big thanks to all pupils and staff who dressed up as 'Heroes' today! We had a fun filled assembly, met Pudsey and designed new Super Hero Pudseys! We have raised £272.35 for Children in Need, well done! Check out the news gallery for pictures.

Happy Retirement (added 9.10.15)

Mrs Coutts, our support staff team leader, will retire on Friday 9th October after working at Crosshouse Primary for over 10 years. On behalf of everyone at Crosshouse Primary we would like to thank Mrs Coutts for all her hard work and commitment to the school.

Parent Council (added 9.10.15)

Thank you to everyone who came along to the Parent Council AGM. It was great to welcome along new members and to hear the many ideas and suggestions for the coming year. A huge thank you to Ashley Burns for her hard work and commitment to our Parent Council as a member and in her role as Chair for the past 2 years. Ashley worked tirelessly to raise substantial amounts of money for the school and was instrumental in overseeing the playground equipment project and website launch. Many thanks and congratulations to Doug Reid who will take over as Chair.

Halloween Disco (added 9.10.15)

Our Halloween disco will take place on Thursday 29th October. Primary 1-3 from 6.30pm to 7.30pm and P4-7 from 7.45pm to 9.00pm. Tickets cost £2 each. A family ticket for families with 3 or more children can be purchased for £5. Our House Captains and Vice captains will be selling the tickets from 23rd October to 29th October. We are looking forward to seeing some inventive and creative costumes!

East Kilbride & District Crime Prevention Award (added 5.10.15)

Crosshouse Primary were presented with the South Lanarkshire Council Silver Salver on Wednesday 30th September 2015 at the East Kilbride & District Crime Prevention Annual Awards. Last term, Miss Ashwood and Primary 6/7 worked with Lindsayfield Lodge and won the award for their commitment to working with others in the local community. Thank you to Abby, Callum and their parents for going along to collect the award on the school's behalf. Many congratulations!

Crosshouse Credit Union (added 5.10.15)

Last week, the children from Primary 6 launched the Crosshouse Credit Union! This is a safe place for children and families to save within the school. It is owned by its members and run by professionals. It is a "not for profit" organisation. If you would like to join the Credit Union, simply collect an application form from Room 13 and return it as soon as possible. You will then receive a welcome pack with a savings book. A saving point will be run by Room 13 every Thursday morning, from 9.15 to 9.45 in the senior open area, where you can bring your money to add to your savings. Remember: Save a little each week and you can buy a bigger treat!

Roald Dahl Day (added 18.9.15)

Crosshouse Primary had a splendiferous time celebrating Roald Dahl Day by colouring in Dahlicious pictures, reading scumdidlyumptious books, drawing twit-toppling new characters and creating marvellous quizzes. Have a look in the news gallery for some snaps of the winners' work.

Jeans for Genes Day (added 11.9.15)

The children and staff of Crosshouse PS are invited to participate in the fundraising event 'Jeans

for Genes' on Friday 18th September. Simply wear your favourite jeans and bring a donation of £1. Thank you!

Welcome Back (added 18.8.15)

A very warm welcome to all involved with Crosshouse Primary and especially to our new children and their families. We look forward to a happy and successful year!