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Staff News

- Mrs Roy retires after more than 20 years of working at Melrose Primary School. Over these years Mrs Roy contributed in lots of different way in her roles of Additional Needs Assistant, Dining room supervisor and Office Assistant. She was a greatly valued member of the staff team and always put children first including having time to listen. She will be greatly missed. We wish her all the very best for her retirement.
- We also say good bye to Miss Jamieson, class teacher of P2J, as she heads for pastures new. We thank her for all her hard work and commitment to the school and wish her all the very best for the future.

End of Term Service

Thank you and well done to Primary 4 for leading the Easter Service in church. The collection raised £150.34 for Aberlour Scotland Children's Charity.

Modern Languages and culture day

On Thursday 18 April 2019 all children will take part in activities linked to a foreign language or culture from another country. Throughout the day the children will have a variety of different experiences and activities as part of modern language learning.

Race for Life

Melrose Primary School are holding their third Race for Life **on Friday 26 April 2019 on The Gibson Park and the school playground**

All children will take part in this event – there will be a 1 mile and 3 mile course. This is a sponsored event, monies raised will go to Cancer Research UK. Sponsor forms will be sent home later this week. Donations can also be made online using the following link:

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/melroseprimary2019>

We hope that you can support your child in this event by sponsoring them and coming along and cheering them on the day. Timings: 9.00am start for P4/5, P5, P6M, P6Z, P7H, and P7R. 10.00 am start for ELC, P1H, P1M, P2J, P2Z, P3, and P3/4.

Comic Relief

Thank you everyone who contributed to the fund raising for Comic Relief: a total of £780.17 was donated to the charity.

Borders Schools Cross Country

Congratulations to all the boys and girls from P6 and P7 who took part in the recent Borders Schools Cross Country Championships. Kirsty Rankine and Katie Swan were placed 1st and 2nd respectively in the P6 girls' individual event. The girls P6 team - Kirsty Rankine, Katie Swan, Isla McAree and Gemma Wilson - won the P6 girls' team event. The P7 boys' team -Ewan Dickson, Henry Lynch, Callum Henderson and Rory Antrobus – were second in the P7 boys' team event. Overall Melrose Primary School came second, very well done to all who competed for Melrose Primary School.

Melrose Festival 2019 – Queen and her Court

The participants in the court for the Melrose Festival 2019 will be officially announced on Friday 3rd May 2019 at the Corn Exchange 7pm for 7.30pm followed by a cheese and wine event to which all parents are invited to attend. Children selected for the court are **expected** to attend this event.

Reminders

Dalguise 2019

We remind parents/carers of Primary 6 children that the final payment for Dalguise is to be paid by **7 June 2019**. Please make full or partial payments through Parentpay.

Dalguise 2020

Parents/carers of children currently in **Primary 5** are invited to attend an information meeting on **24 April 2019 at 6.15pm** in the main school building to hear about the residential trip planned for September 2020. A non-refundable deposit of £45 is due to be paid before 15th May 2019. Information and booking forms will be sent home prior to the meeting.

Assemblies

Assemblies take place on Thursdays from 2.30-3.00pm, unless otherwise stated.

Parents/carers are invited to attend assemblies involving their children as listed below:

- 25 April 2019 – P7 year group (**at 2.15pm in P7 Bays**)
- 2 May 2019 – **P6Z (please note change of date)**
- 9 May 2019 – P5
- 6 June 2019 – **P2J (please note change of date)**
- 27 June 2019 – P2Z

Diary Dates

School closures, changes and new events are highlighted in bold writing.

Monday 1 – Friday 12 April 2019

Friday 19 April 2019

Wednesday 24 April 2019

Friday 3 May 2019

Monday 6 May 2019

Monday 20 May 2019

Tuesday 21 May 2019

Wednesday 22 May 2019

Thursday 23 May 2019

Thursday 30 May 2019

Monday 3 June 2019

Wednesday 5 June 2019

Tuesday 11 June 2019

Wednesday 12 June 2019

Wed 12 & Thurs 13 June 2019

Sunday 16 – Saturday 22 June 2019

Wednesday 26 June 2019

Thursday 27 June 2019

Tuesday 2 July 2019

Monday 19 August 2019

Tuesday 20 August 2019

School Holidays

Good Friday Holiday – school closed

Dalguise 2020 – meeting for P5 Parents – 6.15pm

Friends of Melrose Primary School Meeting – 7pm

Staff In-Service Training Day – school/ELC closed for pupils

May Day Holiday

Parents Consultations with Teachers

Countryside Day for P5 year group

Parents Consultations with Teachers

Parents Consultations with Teachers

Summer Fair

Holiday

Sports Day

Alternate Sports Day (if cancelled previous week)

Friends of Melrose Primary School Meeting – 7pm

P7 Familiarisation Visits to Earlston High School

Melrose Festival Week

P1 – P4 Potted Sports

P5 – P7 Sports Festival

P7 Leavers Assembly

School closes at normal time for summer holidays

Staff In-Service Training Day – school/ELC closed for pupils

School re-opens for new session

FORTHCOMING EVENTS/ACTIVITIES