

# Newsletter Number 18 25<sup>th</sup> May 2018

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Summer Fundraiser –Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> May 1.30pm – 4.00pm (please note the change of time)

If you are able and willing to help please get in touch with Lori Thomson tel: 07950032889 or macdougalldc@aol.com. The support we receive from parents/carers every year is greatly appreciated and is essential to the running and success of the event.

We are looking for donations for the bottle stall, the chocolate tombola and the cake and candy stall (on the day before or the day of the fair please).

Raffle tickets have already been sent home; if you are able to sell extra tickets please contact the school office for more books. Your support to support/encourage the children to sell tickets is greatly appreciated. Please ensure all sold/unsold tickets are returned to school by Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2018.

## Sports Day – Tuesday 12th June 2018 P4 – P7 10.30am – 12.15pm

P1 - P3 1.30pm - 3.00pm

The format of sports day this year will be similar to last year; further information will be available on the day.

- Parents/carers, family and friends are most welcome.
- Should the weather be unfavourable, an announcement will be made through Groupcall and Radio Borders; the alternative day is Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2018
- Presentation of sports champions and the inter-house competition trophy will be at 3.00pm, all children will be present.
- Please could children wear a t-shirt in their house colour; Abbey yellow, Eildon red, Tweed blue.
   (Children will be advised of their house allocation)
- Please leave all sports equipment as you find it and we would be very much obliged if you refrain from allowing children to play/use the equipment during the lunch break.
- P5 -7 please bring a tie/scarf for the three legged race

#### Lunchtime

As in past years parents/carers are welcome to have a picnic with their child/ren at lunchtime on Sports day in the Gibson Park. Further information will be sent out nearer the time to ensure we have clarity about each child over lunchtime. **All children should have a packed lunch on sports day**. This can be brought from home or purchased from school. Children entitled to free school meals will be provided with a packed lunch on the day if required – please order in the normal manner. Parents who have already ordered a hot meal for that day, please can you amend your order accordingly to a school packed lunch or cancel the hot meal option.

# **Celebrating Success**

#### **Euro Quiz**

Congratulations to the team of P6 pupils, Liva McGillvray, Kristofer Cockburn, Jamie Campbell, Matthew
Westbury who represented Scottish Borders at the final competition at the Scottish Parliament. The children
were excellent ambassadors, they were very well prepared for the very challenging questions and came a very
commendable 10<sup>th</sup> (35 councils were represented) - huge congratulations and very well done! A very big thank
you to Mr Wallace who prepared the pupils and supported them on the day. Thank you also to Rory Antrobus,
reserve, Mrs Webster and parents/carers who supported the team at the event.

#### Glee choir

Congratulations to the Glee choir who won the regional competition and go forward to represent Scottish
Borders at the final competition in Perth on Sunday 10 June 2018. The children were excellent ambassadors
for the school performing at an outstanding level on the evening. A huge thank you to Mrs Robertson and
Grace Ratigan for preparing the children for the competition and the parents/carers who helped and supported.
We wish them the very best of luck at the finals.

# Reminders

## **ParentPay**

Please remember that all outstanding payments for outings and the theatre visit must be paid before the end of term.

#### Dalguise 2018

We remind parents/carers of Primary 6 children that the final payment for Dalguise is to be paid by **8**<sup>th</sup> **June 2018.** Please make full or partial payments through ParentPay.

## **Assembly dates**

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:

• 7 June 2018 - P1P

## **Diary Dates**

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

Thursday 31 May 2018 Summer Fundraiser

Monday 4 June 2018 School closed – Local Holiday

Wednesday 6 June 2018 P7 Parents Information Evening at Earlston High School

Wednesday 6 & Thursday 7 June 2018 P7 visits to Earlston High School Thursday 7 June 2018 P1P Class Assembly (re-arranged date)

Friday 8 June 2018 Final Payment for Dalguise 2018 due (P6 pupils only)

Tuesday 12 June 2018 Sports Day

Friday 15 June 2018 Fairtrade Tuckshop 17<sup>th</sup> June – 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2018 Melrose Festival Week

Tuesday 19 June 2018 Alternative Sports Day (if previous week is cancelled)

Thursday 21 June 2018 Potted Sports for P1 – P4
Monday 25 June 2018 Sports Festival for P5 – P7
Wednesday 27 June 2018 P7 Leavers Assembly
Thursday 28 June – Friday 17 Aug 2018 School Holidays

Monday 20 Aug 2018 Staff In-Service Training Day – school/ELC closed for pupils

Tuesday 21 Aug 2018 School opens for new session

#### FORTHCOMING EVENTS/ACTIVITES

**Melrose Festival 'Pop Up' Shop** will be held on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June and Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June in the playground at 3.15pm where Festival brochures (£2.50) and rosettes (£3.50) will be on sale.

The ball is on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June – enquiries or queries for tickets, please contact Alison Tiemessen on 01896 822449. Tables at the ball can be 8 upwards to12.

#### **Melrose Festival Netball Tournament**

A netball tournament will be held on Sunday  $17^{th}$  June 2018 at 1.30 pm - 3 pm on the school netball court. This event is free and open to 10 - 13 year olds to celebrate the start of Melrose Festival Week. Parents are welcome to join in the fun too. Please come dress in appropriate clothing and trainers and bring water and sun cream. Please confirm (for numbers) by texting Pauline Douglas on 07810 477036.