

Dates for the Diary

April 2023

Tuesday 25th P4's Swimming Block Begins
(Tues – Thurs for three weeks, nine sessions)



May 2023

Monday 1st May Day Holiday
Friday 5th School "Coronation Celebrations"
Lunch "Newington Street Party"
Entertainment Afternoon
Monday 8th Additional UK Bank Holiday (King's Coronation)
Tuesday 9th Student Teachers in P1B and P3
Tuesday 23rd A&E Schools Sprint Relay at Everholm Annan
Wednesday 24th Coronation Sports Morning – All classes
Friday 26th 1.15pm Newington School Sports
Monday 29th Child Line Input for All Classes over this week
pm M&M Theatre "Oliver Twist"
Wednesday 31st P4's at Glasgow Science Centre 8.30am – 4pm

June 2023

Thu 1st/Fri 2nd Sustrans Input for P4's
Monday 5th Fluoride Varnish Team in School – all week
Thursday 8th P5/6 at Drumlanrig Castle
pm P4 Author Visit
Wednesday 14th 4pm A&E Schools Netball at Hecklegirth Primary School
Tue 20th-Thu 22nd P7's at Annan Academy (Transition)
Wednesday 28th pm Leavers Ceremony for Parents/Families
Friday 30th am Church Service at Annan Old Parish
2.50pm HT will pipe the P7 Leavers out from school

August 2023

18th/21st Staff In-service
Tuesday 22nd Pupils Return



Newington Primary School



NEWSLETTER

Head Teacher Introduction

I hope everyone had an enjoyable Easter Break!

Term 4 is always a busy one with Sports and Interhouse Events, Trips and Transition plus ongoing learning and teaching, it will be the end of term before we know it!

Homework will be up and running via Teams and if people are still having issues please get in touch with the school. We won't be returning to any previous system for distribution of homework tasks.

End of year reports will come out on the 9th of June but please continue to contact the school about issues/concerns over the term using all the usual contacts.

Please note our new website address below. Please take a chance to have a look and move the new website up on various search engines.

I am looking forward to my final term as Head Teacher and working with staff, families and the pupils to make this a successful one.

Irvine Torbett
Head Teacher

April 2023

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School
App for
Parents

Appointment of the new Head Teacher

Following interview Mrs Ferguson has been appointed as the next Head Teacher of our school and will take over from myself in August.

This will give us Term 4 for hand over but Mrs Ferguson's knowledge of our school community, parents and families, will make this a smooth transition I am sure.

I am confident the school will go on to greater things under her direction.

Edinburgh Residential

Most of our P7's enjoyed an excellent Edinburgh Trip over the week 27th – 30th March. Their behaviour was excellent and noted by Oliver Mundell MSP who organised the groups' tour of Parliament.

I hope the children enjoyed their "Tour", that gifts made it home safely and that all the washing was just theirs!

School Success

Term 3 was another very successful one for our clubs and pupils.

We had 36 pupils take part in this year's Super 4's races. We had medal winners in P6 boys and girls events and the P7 boys.

We then had over 40 pupils at the Annandale and Eskdale Schools Cross Country with a number of individual and team medals. All those pupils who took part performed well and were a credit to our school.

Our gymnasts dominated the Individual and Team awards at the D and G Schools event picking up top awards in every category.

The choir won the Hymn and Pupil Conducted sections at the Dumfries and Music Festival and we picked up solo awards at P4 and P7 plus a piano performance prize. A super effort!

The choir also performed at Murray Court and at our Easter Service, they are a credit to our school.

A team from P7 won the Annan Rotary Quiz in March and will now go forward to the Regional Finals in May. Our P6 team took part in the Euroquiz event in Dumfries and performed well, just missing out on a "top 3" place.

Our Under 11 Lacrosse Team finished 3rd in the D and G Final and our "Open Team" won their event. The Open Team have the chance to go on to a National Final.

Add in prizes from the Annandale and Eskdale Badminton and our pupils have had amazing success in the last term!

My thanks goes to all the pupils for giving us their time and talents and to all the staff who run and support our club activities.