



## Summer 2023 Newsletter

It has been a super busy summer term and we have had some fabulous learning experiences but I think we are all looking forward to the summer break now! We all hope you all have a relaxing and restful break.

### STAFFING UPDATE

The Hive staff currently are:

Mrs Sutherland – Monday to Friday

Mr McConnachie – Monday to Thursday

Miss Wilson – Monday to Thursday

Miss Munro – Monday to Friday

Mrs Henderson – Monday to Thursday

Mrs Corris – Monday to Friday

Mr Peden – also works in the mainstream school so is not based in the Hive full time

Mrs Baselala - also works in the mainstream school so is not based in the Hive full time

As you are aware, Mrs Sutherland is leaving but she will return for a couple of weeks in August. Her last day with The Hive will be Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> August. MR BLACK will be taking up the post of Principal Teacher in The Hive starting on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August.

Miss J is a new learning assistant who will also be starting when we return in August. We were lucky to meet her when she visited last week.

### SUMMER TERM

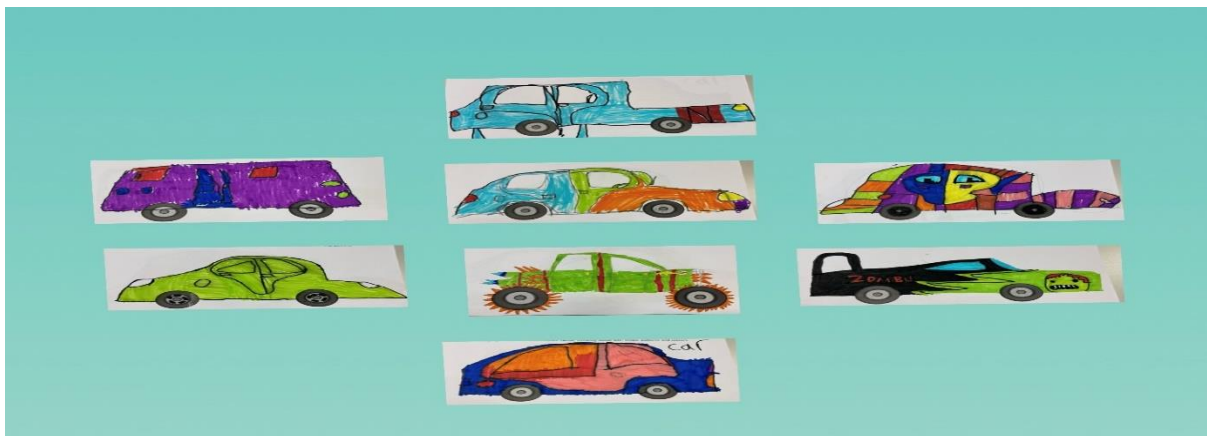
Mrs McFarlane was a student teacher who joined us this term on Mondays and Tuesdays. We had lots of fun getting to know her and helping her learn how to be an even better teacher.

This term we have studied three topics: World Religions; Craft, Design and Technology; Farming




## TRANSPORT

Last term we had fun learning about how different types of transport have changed over the years. We looked at early travel first and made our own Viking Longboats, then we found out about the history of cars and in particular, enjoyed designing our own vehicles, thinking about size, shape, patterns and colours. Next we learned about George Stephenson and trains and after that, we found out about the history of flight. We made and tested our own paper planes and lastly, looked at space exploration and talked about what travel might look like in the future.



## COMMUNICATION

We continue to use Seesaw as our main means of communication. You may continue to comment on posts that your youngster or Hive staff make. Alternatively, you can add a note, which will appear on your youngster's page  using the button.

Alternatively, feel free to continue to communicate with us via email or phone call. If your message is urgent, please phone the school office as staff may not be able to access emails during the teaching day. Please keep an eye on your emails from the school. If anyone does not receive emails or texts directly from Dalkeith High School please contact the school office directly on 0131 654 4701.

If you are reporting pupil absence, please continue to do so by phoning the school office on 0131 654 4701 and leaving a voicemail.

As you are aware, we use Twitter as another way of sharing the wonderful learning experiences we have in The Hive. We are planning to use this more often so if you are able and haven't already, then please follow us @TheHiveDHS

## HEALTH & WELLBEING

As always, please remain vigilant and regularly check your young person for head lice.

Sickness &/or diarrhoea – school policy is that a young person must remain at home 48 hours after the last bout.

## IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Last day of term: Wednesday 28 June 2023

Pupils return to school: Wednesday 16 August 2023

Autumn holiday: Friday 15 September to Monday 18 September 2023 inclusive

Midterm: All break: Friday 13 October 2023

Pupils resume: Tuesday 24 October 2023

Term ends: Friday 22 December 2023