Paradykes Post

11th February 2022

Dear Families,

Here we are at the end of another busy week and already at the mid term break!

Benmore

Our P7s had a wonderful week at Benmore residential!! The children developed new skills, conquered fears and took on new challenges, which were, for some, far outside their comfort zone. All the children returned home on Friday with a suitcase full of soggy clothes, tired and achy bodies and wonderful memories! Mr Stirling, Miss Mackenzie, Mr McHale and Miss Stewart filmed and snapped photos all week and Mr Stirling has created a video from the week! A great memento!

Equipped for Learning Device update!

Exciting news! Our new iPads and chromebooks have arrived and the Digital Team has been in school to help distribute devices to children. Great excitement this week as children have been getting to grips with the new devices!!

PE Kit 'Uniform'

Please can we ask that you send children to school in PE kits in the school colours of red, black and white. If you need support with this, please do not hesitate to contact us.

New Start & Finish Times - Starting 21st February

After the February break, we are going to reduce the start and finish times. We will be having a 'soft start'; this will allow children to enter the school through their given door within a 15 minute window, helping to ease congestion in the playground. Children should be in class ready to start either by 9.00 or 9.05am, depending on their start time.

All children will now enter and exit the school building by the doors in the main playground.

Please note that all children must be collected from their allocated door, not the school office. All previous arrangements with the office (due to the staggered starts and finishes) will now cease.

Colin Beattie Christmas Card Winners

Primary 4/5 won the coveted Colin Beattie Christmas card competition! The class won the 2nd Class prize and were given a £50 Amazon voucher! Looking forward to finding out what the class decides to buy with their winnings!

Have a lovely February break and we look forward to seeing the children back at school on Monday 21st February!

Helen Reed (Head Teacher)

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School dates for your diary

21.02.22	Staff and children back to school
03.03.22	World Book Day
03.03.22	**Parent Council Meeting**
05.04.22	Parent Consultations
07.04.22	Parent Consultations
08.04.22	Break up for Easter holidays
25.04.22	Staff and children back to school
02.05.22	May Day Holiday
10.05.22	**Parent Council Meeting**
23.05.22	In-service day
03.06.22	**Platinum Jubilee - School Closed**
08.06.22	**Parent Council AGM**
17.06.22	Profile 2 out
30.06.22	Break up for Summer!