



ROSILIN PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Term 1 - October 2019  
Newsletter

## Dear Parents/Carers

We have had a busy start to our new academic session. Our P1s have settled in beautifully and our P7s have enjoyed taking on their new responsibilities.

I am delighted we have been successful in gaining our Gold School Sport Award. This is a huge achievement. Thank you to Miss Brodie who led the school in sport and did the paperwork for the nomination. Also thank you to the Active School Team and the many coaches who deliver extra classes for Roslin.

We strive for our learners to be confident and successful and all our learners have the opportunity to lead in their own learning as well as taking on extra responsibilities. This ties in very well with our DYW work (Developing Young Workforce).

In this newsletter you will see who is now in our new leadership groups. In P7 every learner has an extra responsibility and they really rise to the challenge of this and are seen as role models across the whole school.

I am delighted that we have so many science workshops from the Midlothian Science Festival and Glasgow Science on Tour. The workshops taking place are:

- ◆ P1-P3 Journey Through My Body Science Show and Workshops
- ◆ P7 Get Connected Workshop

- ◆ P6 Scratch Workshop
- ◆ P4-P5 Have Fun With Maths Workshops

Our P7s have launched their Junior Tour Guides for this year along with their parents. We continue to work closely with both Rosslyn Chapel and Roslin Glen.

Our nursery have already had some visits to the Glen led by Mrs Goodfellow who has Forest Training. I would like to say a big thank you to our Mrs Goodfellow, Parent Council and all our parent helpers who do so much extra for the nursery and school. I know many nursery parents have been working hard at the weekends in our garden.

In school our MacMillan coffee morning was very well supported by parents doing lovely home baking and also attending the event. There were over 50 parents at it and we raised an amazing £249.00.

Also a big thank you for the very generous donations for our Harvest Assembly. We have given the donations to Penicuik North Kirk Food-bank.

I hope you all have a lovely October holiday and I look forward to welcoming all the children back to school on the Wednesday 23rd October.



# Congratulations to all our new leadership teams

## Health Team

Morvern      Jessica  
Freya      Isabella R  
Isabella D      Abi  
Olivia

(P7)

## Learning Council

P7 - Eilidh, Arran F, Holly & Isla  
P6 - Nathan, Effie & Ceitidh  
P5 - Romi, Ella & Robyn  
P4 - B'Elanna, Tait & Olivia I  
P3 - Mirren & Casey

## JRSO

Rio  
Daniela

(P7)

## House Captains

Arran H - Apprentice  
Isabella D - St Clair  
Freya - Green Man  
Callum - Master Mason

(P7)

## Jotter Monitors

P6 and P7 pupils are  
leading this initiative this  
year

# Our new teams

## Eco Committee

P7 - Eilidh  
P6 - Sophia & Olivia  
P5 - Megan & Jay  
P4 - Orla & Lewis  
P3 - Jacob & Ella  
P2 - Emma S (P5)  
Eco Mentor until December  
P1 - Olivia I (P4)  
Eco Mentor until December

## ICT Team

Jack B      Lewis  
Harry      Eli  
Jakub      Aaron  
Conner

(P7)

## Prefects

We have an large number of  
pupils from P7 and P6 who are  
taking on these responsible roles

## Playground Resources

Eli      Callum  
Olivia      Toby  
Gracie      Connor  
Jack W      Aaron

(P7)

## Librarians

Lauchie      Thomas  
Aidan      Eva  
Alexander      Erin  
Alasdair      Amy  
Emma      Lily  
Emilie

(P6)

# Nursery Garden

Thanks to the wonderful support from our nursery families we are making good progress with the development of our nursery garden.

The pergola, garden shed and tyre swing have been built and the ground has been prepared for our raised planters. Once these are in place we will be concentrating our efforts on other garden features.

Ideas under consideration include dedicated areas for woodworking and snack provision, a water wall, a bug hotel and a space to grow wildflowers.



We have been successful in our application to the Woodland Trust for a pack of native hedging which will hopefully provide food and habitats for our local wildlife.

The willow den has taken root and we recently discovered much to the children and staff's delight that a Hawk Eye moth caterpillar had taken up residence.

Once again we would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their time, expertise and hard work.



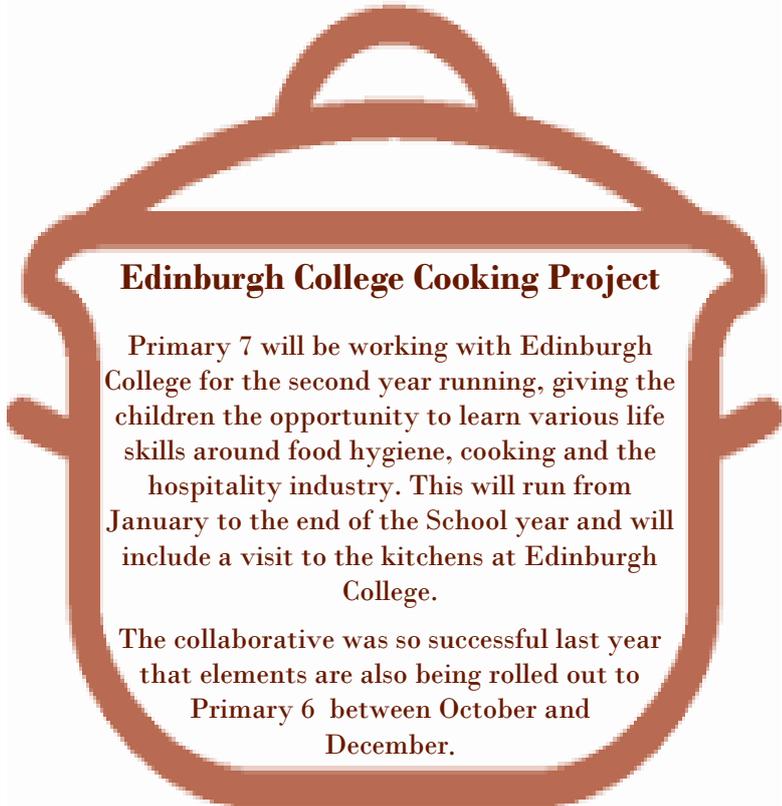


We are delighted to announce that Roslin Primary has been awarded the coveted **"Sport Scotland Gold School Award"**.

This school sport award is a national, Lottery funded initiative designed to encourage schools to work in partnership with Active Schools to continuously improve physical activity.

The award highlights schools that have shown excellent practice across the core areas of the award criteria and demonstrated an ongoing commitment to increase our pupils opportunities and engagement in physical education.

Thank you to Miss Brodie, our sports co-ordinator and Active Schools who helped us win this prestigious award.



### Edinburgh College Cooking Project

Primary 7 will be working with Edinburgh College for the second year running, giving the children the opportunity to learn various life skills around food hygiene, cooking and the hospitality industry. This will run from January to the end of the School year and will include a visit to the kitchens at Edinburgh College.

The collaborative was so successful last year that elements are also being rolled out to Primary 6 between October and December.

"I like Stay and Play because I can write stuff with my Daddy and he can help me. I can show my Daddy all around the place" Orla P1

"My Mummy comes to Stay and Play. We play in the pirate ship. I love having my Mummy in school" Ella P1

## P1 and P2 Stay and Play

"I loved building Lego with my Mummy at Stay and Play" Angus P2

Primary 1 and 2 are enjoying having parents and carers into classrooms on Friday mornings for Stay and Play. Our young learners love proudly showing their grown ups what they have been learning during the week, and it provides a great

opportunity for parents and carers to try out some of the fun activities we use in class for literacy and numeracy. We look forward to continuing these the rest of the year.

"My Mum and Dad come to Stay and Play. I like showing them the space rocket and the aliens" Murdo P2

"I like Stay and Play because our parents get to find out what we've been working on" Ebban P2



## Head Lice

Head Lice is a common occurrence amongst primary school children and this time of the year is no exception. Please check our website under "Information" for our Bugbusting link to handy hints and tips for staying on top of it.



### Junior Tour Guides

This year is the 10th Anniversary of the Junior Tour Guiding link with Rosslyn Chapel.

The children successfully launched this session on Thursday 3rd October with a Dress Rehearsal opening to parents and families. A busy schedule is ahead up until Easter with many schools visiting to find out about the Chapel's history.

## Macmillan Coffee Morning

We had another hugely successful coffee morning in October in aid of Macmillan, with over 50 people attending. We had cakes and scones, cookies and coffee buns, truffles and treats.



Donations of baking were outstanding and as always your generosity was amazing.

£249 was raised and donated to Macmillan.

## Dates for the Diary:

- 21st & 22nd Oct - Staff In-Service
- 23rd Oct - Pupils Resume
- 24th Oct - Parent Consultations
- 29th Oct - Nurs Parent Consultations (Anti Preschool)
- 30th Oct - Hallowe'en Disco (Tickets on sale from school office from 23rd October)
- 19th Nov - P4 Showcase
- 15th Nov - Flu Immunisations
- 15th Nov - Children in Need (Dress down or pyjamas) Donations welcome
- 26th Nov - P4 Swimming Sessions start
- 6th Dec - Xmas Jumper Day (£1 towards Xmas Fair)
- 6th Dec - Parent Council Xmas Fair, 2-4pm
- 11th Dec - Hopscotch Panto (Nurs to P3)
- 12th Dec - Brunton Theatre Panto (P4 to P7)
- 13th Dec - Infant Nativity
- 16th Dec - Party Week
- 19th Dec - House Assembly (Wear House colours)
- 20th Dec - Church Service
- 20th Dec - Term Ends
- 6th Jan - Staff In-Service
- 7th Jan - Pupils Resume

As the cold weather and rain starts to approach, please remember to send your children in to school with a warm waterproof coat, hat, wellies and perhaps a spare pair of socks in their bag. We always like them to be outside at break times to get exercise and fresh air. When weather is considerably bad they have the option to stay indoors. Most children, however choose to be outside despite the rain and snow.

We would like to welcome our new Learning Assistant, Ms Jackie Hodge to the Roslin staff.

Following on from the success of previous years, we have 3 new Edinburgh College students with us this term.