



Our fourteen full time children have all adjusted very well to our new routine, we are enjoying staying for lunch each day and making choices of what we would like on our sandwiches.

By having the opportunity to have a full time place the children are becoming more aware of their needs such as having time to rest and planning out their day.



**We have new grown ups!**  
Miss Davie, Miss Turnbull and all the children were very happy to welcome Mrs Donaldson, Mrs Smith and Miss Cook to be part of Team Tynewater!



**Developing our Nursery**  
All the boys and girls have been thinking of lots of ideas for ways we can make our nursery even better, we are going to make a cosy sensory room and we are helping Mrs Smith to come up with a wish list for lots of new resources.



**Vogrie time!**  
We had our Autumn seasonal visit to vogrie, we explored under trees looking for conkers and Autumn coloured leaves, we found lots of mud and puddles to jump in and as always we really liked going on the big bus!  
Once back at nursery we used our Autumn collection of materials to produce some lovely art work.







### Maths and Numeracy

We have been learning about 2D shapes and have been able to go around the school on a shape walk which was great fun. We even made some 3D cones and cubes!

In Numeracy we have been learning our numbers from 0-10 and we really enjoy using our chalk wall and smart board to help us practice forming our numbers and also recognising them.



### Power Of Play

We are exploring our atrium during play and enjoying all the fun and exciting areas. We love to dress up in all the super costumes and get into character.



### Harvest

We have been learning about Harvest as our period 2 topic. We have discovered that plants need water, light and heat to grow and we even made some scarecrows to use during our Harvest assembly in front of the whole school. They looked amazing!



### UpBeat!

We loved meeting Laura, the Upbeat dance teacher! We got to play some games and learned a new dance to one of our favourite songs - Old Town Road! We learned lots of new moves and how to move in time to the music! We also got to wear sparkly cowboy hats! One of us even won a free ticket to some dance lessons. Thank you UpBeat!







### Smoothies

We made and tasted delicious fruit smoothies! We have been learning about fruit and vegetables through our topic, Harvest, and know we should try to eat our 5 a day!



### Art

We used potatoes and corn to create patterns! The potatoes had lots of different patterns carved into them which we used to print leaf shapes on to our paper! We also rolled corn on the cobs on our paper to create a unique pattern. We chose autumnal coloured paint to use.

### Growing crops

We planted cress and learned about what plants need to grow. They need water and light! We were amazed to find out cress can grow without soil - we used cotton wool instead! We had to remember to water our cress and keep it beside the window!



### Dance

We took part in an Upbeat dance workshop! We enjoyed learning a new dance to one of our favourite songs - Old Town Road! We learned lots of new moves and how to move in time to the music! We also got to wear sparkly cowboy hats!







### Maths and Numeracy

We were visited by a Giant this term, who asked us to measure using his footprints! We were able to clearly show and explain what to do in order to measure accurately.

We really enjoyed using cubes to create characters from Number Blocks, and find all of the possible ways to make 5!



### European Day of Languages

Primary 2 really enjoyed working with Primary 4 on European Day of Languages. We learned a French story, went on a French Treasure Hunt and danced to a silly French song. Très bien tout le monde!



### Growth Mindset Assembly

We loved sharing what we had been learning in class with the rest of the school at our Growth Mindset Assembly. We spoke loudly and clearly and with great expression. Everyone was involved in some way, even if behind the scenes, and Mrs Thompson was so proud of you all!

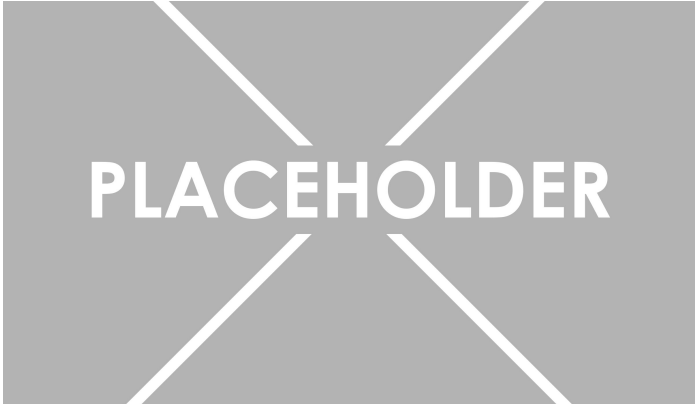


### International Book Festival

We had a fantastic day out at the Edinburgh International Book Festival, where we heard from Karine Polwart and Kate Leiper. We loved hearing Karine sing, and thought the story about the wee bird was lovely. Most of us bought a super book in the bookshop and we enjoyed exploring what the Festival had to offer.

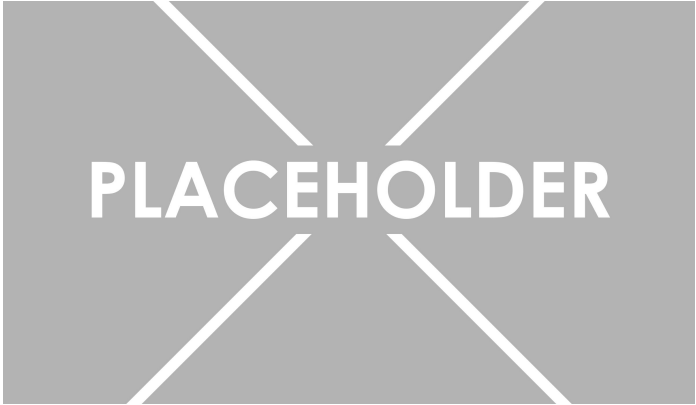






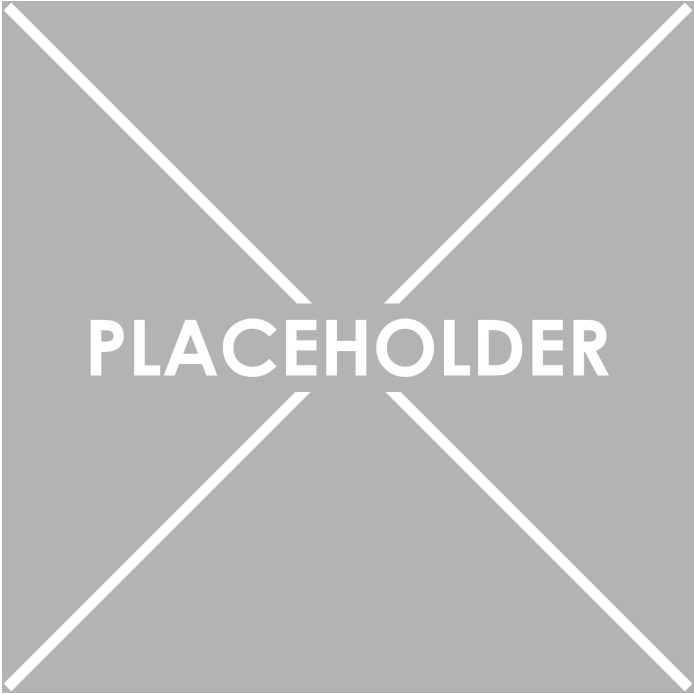
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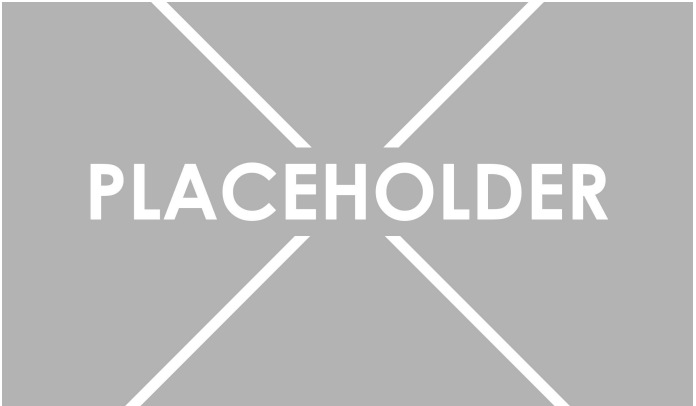
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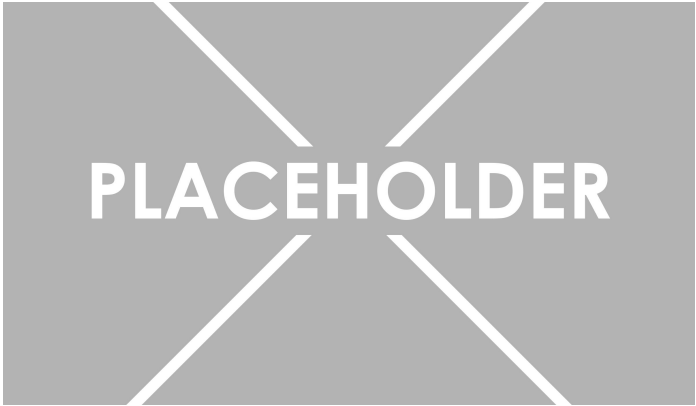
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**Low Port**

The children all had a fantastic time at Low Port. They had a guided tour of Linlithgow Palace from Junior Tour Guides at the local school. They went canoeing, tried new foods and learnt all about life in medieval times from the local rangers. They enjoyed a trip along the canal and learning about the history of the canal system. The children who didn't go had fun baking, building and creating.



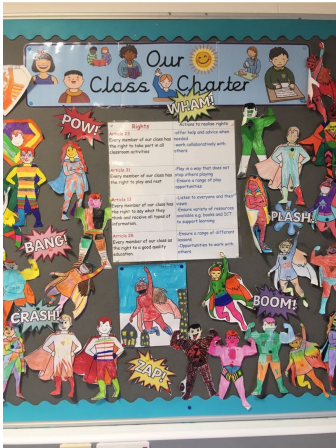
**Peace Assembly**

The children worked together to present an assembly all about International Day of Peace. We worked on presenting skills to share information and learn a song.



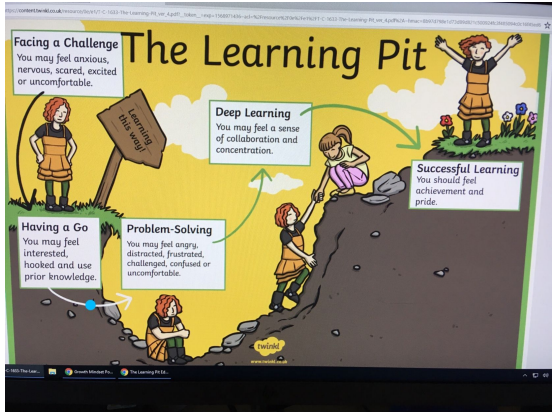
**Talk for Writing**

The children have used the stimulus 'The Papaya that Spoke' to create their own imaginative stories using the author's structure. We looked at the author's style of writing and choice of words to help us add detail to our own stories.



**Rights Respecting School**

We have created a Class Charter using the UN convention on the Rights of a Child. We have also been following our Tynewater Values and our school Playground Charter. This has helped us all agree our classroom expectations and how working together will help us achieve them.







### Glasgow residential trip

We had a fantastic time spending three days in Glasgow in September. Trips to the Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum and the Riverside Museum were enjoyable, but the highlight for everyone was the amazing Glasgow Science Centre. In particular, the children were impressed by the film on the IMAX cinema (biggest screen in Scotland!) and the Planetarium session looking at the stars in the domed roof.



### European Day of Languages

Primary 5 had a great afternoon learning Three Little Pigs in French and completing a special treasure hunt along with P3. Merci beaucoup mon amis!



### Language Evolves

P5 were lucky enough to have five linguists from Edinburgh University who came to teach us all about the development of language, and how we differ from animals in the way that we communicate. This was a fascinating workshop that interested everyone!



### Numeracy and maths

In numeracy we have been learning about place value and using our learning to perform calculations with much larger numbers.

In maths we have been learning to measure things, from as small as the width of our finger to using metre sticks to work out the size of the MUGA. P5 love measuring everything!







### Book Festival

Primary 6 attended the Edinburgh Book Festival on the 27th August. We heard an interesting talk by the poet Roger Stevens and got to meet him afterwards. We were delighted to attend the event on the Children's Gala day and enjoyed having our faces painted, petting a llama and of course our free goody bags!



**Edinburgh Learning Visits**  
P6 enjoyed an action packed 3 days of learning visits in Edinburgh. We visited Edinburgh Castle, People's History Museum, Museum of Edinburgh, Museum of Childhood,



experienced a walking tour of the Royal Mile and the old town and an outdoor learning workshop on Arthurs Seat. We even managed to pop into the Fudge Kitchen on the Royal Mile to watch the chef at work and enjoy some delicious samples, a definite highlight of the day! We learned so much and look forward to learning even more back in class.



### Golf Lessons

We have been involved in a series of golf lessons this term provided by the Steven Gallacher Foundation. It has been great for most of us to experience a new sporting activity and Jane the professional has helped us all to develop our skills.

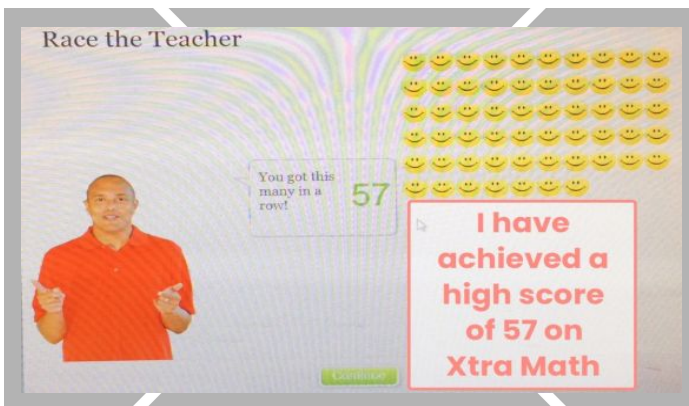






### Learning Beyond School

Just a wee thank you to all parents who have helped the regular maths learning beyond school be so successful this term. Allowing your child time to practise and be comfortable making mistakes or getting help from some of your different strategies has been really beneficial. Remember to star any or leave blank any ones that are too tricky or need some help back in class. This helps us plan our next steps.



### London Calling

Thanks to Rory's Mum, Freya's Mum and of course Mr Lawson for organising a successful and action packed London Learning experience!



### Enterprise Group

A huge well done to the 7 P7's that stayed back in Scotland during the London Week. We used maths and literacy skills to plan, organise and run a successful bake sale! We learned about planning, budgeting and Profit! As well as helping raise funds for our prom, we had lots of fun!



### Midlothian Science Festival

Thanks to Edinburgh University and other partners- P7 enjoyed learning more about science, including how the brain works and how our language evolved, as well as about drug production and clinical trials! I hope some of you followed up some of the many local events too!





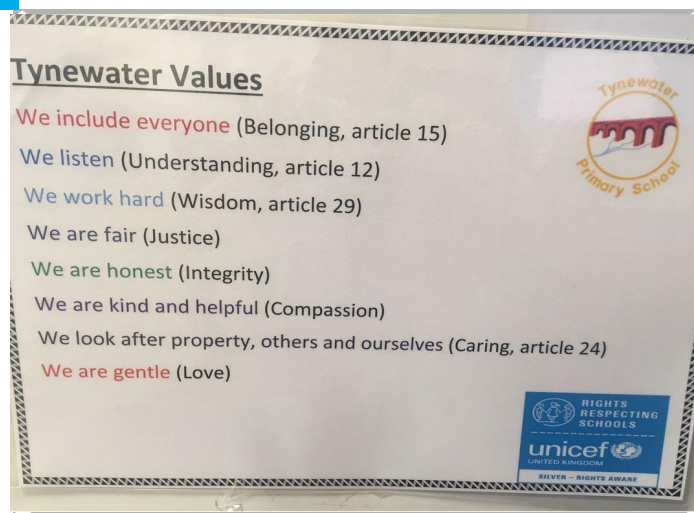
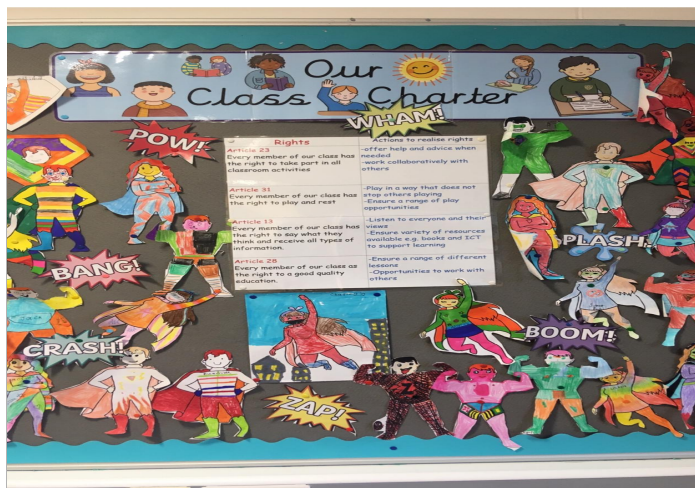
## Tynewater Values

Tynewater Values have all been linked to the articles of the UNCRC and shared with all children, staff and our families.

## Going for Gold

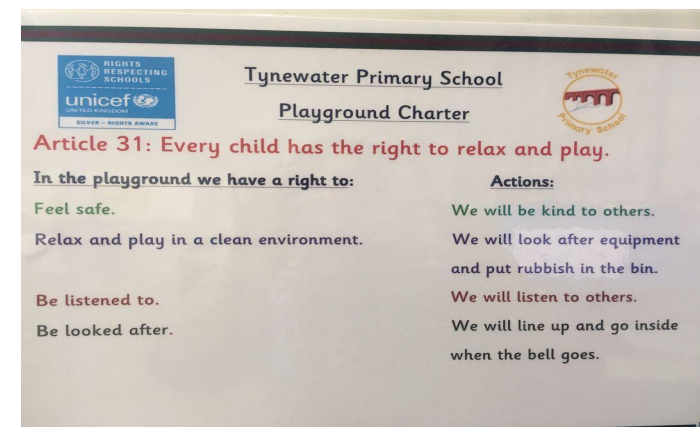
Our pupil voice leadership group has been working hard on our journey to the Gold award.

Every class has created their class charters using the UN Convention on the Rights of a child (UNCRC). These have been agreed by all children and adults working within the class.



## Learning and Teaching

The learning and teaching is linked to the Rights of the Child where possible. Class assemblies will be linked to articles from the UNCRC where possible and teachers plan will have a Rights Respecting School link too.



## Playground Charter

A playground charter has been created by our pupil voice leadership group and each class has a copy in their classroom. Our rights and actions will be focussed on and the language used.

We will be celebrating **World Children's Day** on **20th November**. This year it's a special one as the **UN Convention on the Rights of the Child** will be 30 years old.

