

# Roseburn HT Weekly Update

Dear Roseburn Families

18 November 2022

Well today we were battling the rain, wind and puddles, as we welcomed the children to school today. It looks like a soggy weekend ahead too.

#### **Assembly**

Our assembly today was supported by the tech team in p6 Alex and Aahana. Well done to both. The Equalities class Leadership team led today's assembly. They focussed on SDG 5 Gender Equality, and shared some key messages about stereotypes; jobs, books, toys and colours, equal opportunities for boys and girls, and asked and responded to questions. We discussed the Articles we are focussing on and our Odd Socks Day.

#### **Scottish Book Week**

#### https://www.scottishbooktrust.com/book-week-scotland

Thank you to Miss Dickson who planned a fantastic week of book activities to engage all the classes. The children completed quizzes, fact files, found out about Scottish myths and legends, and listened to a variety of stories. A special thanks to Miss Rowan who is our very own Roseburn storyteller- the children loved her stories.

P2 and p3 received Read, Write, Count bags and you can read more about activities related to this here <a href="https://www.scottishbooktrust.com/reading-and-stories/about-read-write-count">https://www.scottishbooktrust.com/reading-and-stories/about-read-write-count</a>. Nursery and p1 received Book Bug Bags.

To find out more, visit the Book Week Scotland section of the Scotlish Book Trust website.

#### **Achievements**

Achievements this week to be celebrated are our p7 learners. What an adventure and excitement, a display of kindness, teamwork, resilience, and role modelling. I could not be prouder of every one of them! Thank you. This was a fabulous experience and I feel very lucky to have been fortunate enough to be part of their camp journey. With particular thanks to Mrs Thirgood and Miss Weatherston for all their organisation, Miss Prentice and Mrs Denvir for their time, energy, care, and commitment to make this such a wonderful experience. Thanks also to Miss McCready who joined us on Wednesday. I was very pleased to note the letters from p7 last session are on display in the centre. Back to a different form of learning next week.

#### Stars of the week

This week our stars are Confident Individuals

Nursery- Hadriel for modelling how to share his toys in the nursery

- P1 Thomas K for displaying resilience and a positive attitude in all that he does in school.
- P2C Fergus- for coming up with his own inventive ideas in our storytelling and using these confidently and accurately in his independent writing
- P2H Verity for being a confident contributor to class discussions and activities
- P3- Helen for showing real confidence when reading and writing in English
- P4 Emily is becoming increasingly more confident in all areas of the curriculum especially maths and reading due to her hard work in class.
- P5 Ingrid for confidently contributing to everything throughout the week and helping to keep Mrs Thirgood on track with Primary 5s routines.
- P5/6 Eleni for her confidence and enthusiasm with her persuasive writing using the pro books. P6 Ben for confidently participating in the storytelling session; for being ambitious and working independently in his maths and writing tasks.

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#### **Roseburn Values**

Roseburn Responsibility Value cards were awarded to P6 Raigan for taking the initiative to look after and tidy up classroom resources and carrying out - unprompted - thoughtful and helpful tasks for Miss Dickson.

P4 Ximena takes initiative to help other members of the class in a kind and caring way. She has been a great role model to others in the class.

P1 Haven is extremely careful with class resources and will often tidy up, helping his peers and making sure things are where they should be. Haven always uses our class motto of 'Choose it, Use it, Put it Away'. Well done.

# **Hot Chocolate Friday**

A Hot Chocolate Friday was awarded to Miss Rowan, for leading storytelling sessions during Book Week Scotland: the children were engrossed and the stories sparked their imagination!

#### **House Points**

Thank you to p6 Sophie, Nina, Valene, and Filip who counted the house tokens ready to share with us at assembly. Here are the results-Ravelston lead with 940, Murrayfield close behind with 921, then Belmont with 882, and Glendevon with 850. I was reminded this does not include the tokens in the tubes- so watch this space. Well done everyone.

# **Industrial Action Thursday 24 November**

The school and nursery will be closed on Thursday 24 November, due to Industrial Action. Learning opportunities are available on our <u>HL Grids</u> and previous HL Grids. The Edinburgh Learns team are creating additional resources and an update will be shared next week.

#### **Rights Respecting Visit**

On Wednesday 23 November we will be hosting a visit from four officials from Scottish Government Child Rights team, and three from the UNICEF team. One of the ministers from Scottish Government has not visited (face to face) a Gold Rights Respecting School. They are keen to find out about the journey we have been on as a RR School and the impact it has had. They will meet the Rights Respecters and Equalities Class Leadership Teams, the staff Rights Respecters and myself. We will also have a short assembly to share some of our key messages. I am confident the children will represent us well.

# **Nursery Update**

For Scottish Book Week the children were visited by an author who read us a book about the 'The Clapping Tree.' The children really enjoyed making the sound of claps and predicting the plot of the story. Thank you to Faye for her time.

Some of the children have been busy constructing rockets in space. Whilst others have been really interested in counting through mark making. Some of our children have explored fractions through play dough pizza.

It has been a very cold and wet week, the change in the weather has been a discussion point for the children. A nursery child went ice-skating with their family at the weekend and many of the children were keen to follow this up. We decided to make our own ice skaters to play with in the water tray. Let's see what adventures we have next week.

"One step at a time," said the moon, " ... and be proud of every one."

Kind regards

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