



# Clober Primary School Newsletter

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My newsletter this term reflects the busy, changing face of school life. We have provided the children with a great many activities and adventures and these are detailed in the pages that follow. However, we have also had to adapt, change or cancel some of our plans as measures have been put in place to effectively manage coronavirus. I would like to thank you for your co-operation and understanding as circumstances have had to change quickly. Our children, as usual, have displayed a can-do attitude and positivity in the face of these changes which is what makes Clober such a special place to be.

I hope you enjoy reading through our news and wish you all a safe and healthy period ahead.

Catriona Marshall

Head Teacher

### Quality Improvement Review

The report from our quality review in November has now been finalised and can be viewed on the school website. We were delighted that the team agreed with our self-evaluation:

1.3 Leadership of Change Very Good

2.3 Learning, Teaching and Assessment Good

3.1. Ensuring Wellbeing, Equality and Inclusion Very Good

3.2 Raising Attainment and Achievement Good

In the Early Years Centre, the team again agreed with our self-evaluation:

2.3. Learning, Teaching and Assessment Very Good

3.2 Securing Children's Progress Very Good

Points for improvement have been made and these align with our school improvement plan.

### Literacy and Numeracy Walls

Well done to the following children who have super work displayed in the Can Do Corridor this term:

Literacy Wall				Numeracy Wall					
P1a	Emily Av	P4	Andrew	P1a	Amelia	Joshua	P4	Lexi	Matthew
P1b	Lucy	P4/5	Robyn	P1b	Rhea		P4/5	Keira	
P2a	Ruby	P5	Jenna	P2a	Ishan		P5	Livia	
P2b	Charlie	P5/6	Lucy	P2b	Ross		P5/6	Emma	
P3a	Jessica	P6/7	Grace	P3a	Emma		P6/7	Nathan	
P3b	Sam	P7	Lacey	P3b	Kai		P7	Carson	Nathan

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### Park Safe Banner

Congratulations to Nieve in P7 who designed a fabulous park safe banner for the school gates on Kirk Street with the message "Don't Park on the ZigZags"

Nieve was delighted to see her drawing on the giant banner and said, "I feel it's really important that parents don't park on the zigzags because children could run out and get hurt. I am really happy that my banner was chosen and I hope parents take my message into consideration when they travel to and from school." **Careless, dangerous parking continues to be an issue. Please remember to leave plenty of time for your journey and park at St Luke's car park or further away from the school. We really don't want a child hurt.**



### Trip to the zoo

There are lots of perks to being the Confucius Hub in East Dunbartonshire – one of these is a trip to the zoo! All pupils P3-P7 went to the zoo at the beginning of March completely free of charge. The children enjoyed learning Mandarin in the zoo's Confucius Classroom and they had the opportunity to see the pandas too!



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### **Usborne Books Community Book Pledge**

We have been working with one of our parents, Carla McAllister who is an Usborne Books Organiser to raise a Community book pledge on our behalf, approaching local businesses for funding to raise money so we can buy books. We are very grateful to Carla and these businesses for supporting the school with our love of reading:

Antos Ltd., Kilmaurs

Residents of Riverwood, Milngavie

Mr Boyd (President of Antonine Probus), Milngavie

The Framing Workshop, Milngavie

Milngavie Butchers

Clober Golf Club

### **Douglas Academy Football Festival**

Last month the Clober Primary football team took part in a football tournament at Douglas Academy. Before we left to walk to Douglas we had to get changed into our football kits but there was a drama... Callum had lost one of his football boots!! So we searched the place inside out but couldn't find it so we had to just carry on and walk up. It was not ideal because Callum had to play in his trainers.

On the way up some of us had a snack. When we got there we put our stuff in the changing room then we went out to get warmed up. Then suddenly Callum's Mum turned up with his other football boot - it turns out he had left it in the house! Now we were finally ready to play Milngavie Tigers. The game had started but quickly into the game Clober had taken an early lead with a goal from Marcus. We were starting to dominate and a couple of minutes later Lewis L popped up with a goal to make it 2-0. Now we were bursting with confidence! Soon after we scored another goal, this time by Ross to make it 3-0 after that Callum came off the bench and scored our fourth and final goal. The game was over and it was a fantastic victory for Clober!

We had a quick 2-minute break then straight after we played Craigdhu Primary. After about 30 seconds in we went 1-0 thanks to a great goal by Marcus. Then Craigdhu slipped up again and Clober took advantage Lewis L pounced and made it 2-0. Although we were 2-0 up, Craigdhu kept their heads up and got one back with 5-minutes to go. Clober managed to hold on to the win but it was the toughest 5-minutes of the whole game!

Our final game was by far the toughest we were playing Milngavie Bears in our last game. Whoever won would win the entire tournament! Sadly we lost 4-0 but we still enjoyed the game.

The whole team had a brilliant time and the final results were:

1st Milngavie Bears

2nd Clober

3rd Craigdhu

4<sup>th</sup> Milngavie Tigers

By Carson, Ross, Callum and Jamie.



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### **P7 Mains Estate Project**

On Wednesdays and Fridays during January and February, a very nice lady named Elspeth, who is a qualified blacksmith artist, came in and taught us about different animals and plants in our local park. She explained to us how the park's gates and fences were needing redone and she wanted our help to design some panels. Over the course of about 5 or 6 weeks we created clay models, watercolour paintings, mosaics using various different seeds and lots more. At the end of the course she showed us the sketches of the winning panels! They looked amazing! It was so exciting to see our artwork getting used for such a good cause. Elspeth is now away working on the real panels and we can't wait for them to be completed and installed so that everyone can see and enjoy them. It was great fun and everybody enjoyed the experience!

By Olivia R and Jade

### **P7 Tour Guides**

Lots of people request to see round our school before they send their children to us. We have enlisted the help of P7 as tour guides to help with this and have received fantastic feedback from visitors they have shown round this term. It provides the P7s with leadership skills and enhances their ability to present information to a live, interactive audience.



### **Chess**

**The Clobber** team came second in the Dragon League on Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> February. Charlotte, Tytus and Gregor did us proud!



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### **Euroquiz**

Charlotte, Gregor, Russell and Lucy represented Clobber Primary at the Euroquiz on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March. They did very well and came 6<sup>th</sup> – there were 25 schools competing! Thanks to Mrs Greer for accompanying them.

### **World Book Day**

We celebrated World Book Day a little earlier than most on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February. We dressed up as our favourite book characters and enjoyed paired reading in class and DEAR (Drop Everything And Read!) This year we have supported a charity called Read For Good UK that provides books for children who are in hospital through taking part in a readathon based on a story share system.





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### **P4 bulbs**

Our green fingered P4s were successful once again the bulb competition run by EDC. They looked after their bulbs very carefully and we were very impressed with them!

### **P4 Clyde in the Classroom**

We were treated to a super assembly on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February about the River Clyde and the life of the trout. P4 looked after their trout very responsibly and released them into the Allander Water on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March.

### **P5 Snaw White**

Snaw White is an annual event here at Clober and it's always fun to see how classes interpret this twist on the well known tale. Friends and family were very impressed with the performance!

### **Partnership with Milngavie Manor**

Mrs Greer, Mrs Evans and some of our P6 and P7s have been visiting Milngavie Manor to share skills and interact with the residents there. They took part in board games, mindful colouring and jewellery making. We are missing our friends at Milngavie Manor now that we can no longer visit but hope to resume our partnership when it is safe to do so.





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### **Ardentinny**

Unfortunately, we had to cancel our trip to Ardentinny at short notice. The P7s enjoyed a fun week at school instead – look at what they got up to!





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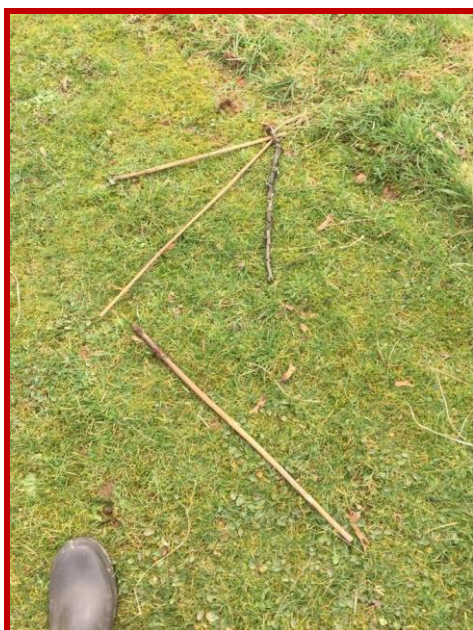


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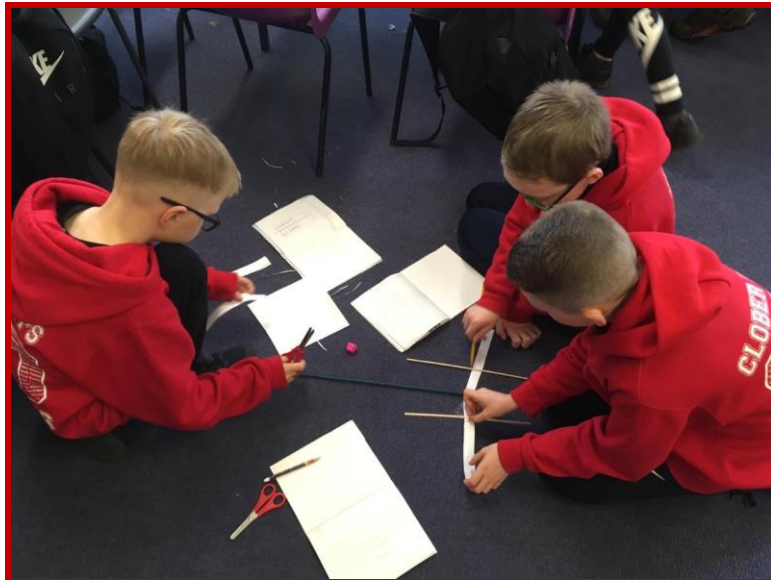


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### Important Diary Dates

➤ 24 April 2020	9:15am	Parents and Pupils	Primary 1b Assembly
➤ 14 May 2020 Assembly	1:30am	Parents and Pupils	Primary 7 and P7 from P6/7
➤ 20 May 2020	9.30am	Parents and Pupils	School Sports Day
➤ 29 May 2020	9.15am	Parents and Pupils	P2a Assembly
➤ 29 May 2020 Parents	3pm	All Pupils	Summative reports Issued to
➤ 3 June 2020	9.30am	Parents and Pupils	School Sports Day (if initial sports day is cancelled)
➤ 5 June 2020	10.45am	Parents of Pre-School Children	Nursery Graduation
➤ 9 June 2020	1.30pm	New P1 Parents & Children	Induction for new entrants
➤ 18 June 2020 (Thurs)	1.30pm	P7 Parents & Invited Guests	Leavers' Farewell
➤ 22 June 2020 teacher and classroom)	11am	All pupils	Stepping Up Day (new
➤ 22 June 2020	1.30pm	All pupils	Talent Show
➤ 23 June 2020	1.30pm	All Pupils	Achievement Assembly
➤ 24 June 2020 (Close at 1pm)	11.20am	All Parents & Pupils	Summer Service in St Luke's

### Important Reminders

**Allergy Aware School:** Please **do not send your child to school with any items containing nuts or nut traces**. We have children within the school who have **severe allergic reactions** which could result in anaphylactic shock.

**Medication:** Only certain members of staff are allowed to administer medication to pupils. This can only be done after the parent has visited the school and completed the necessary paperwork. We have strict guidelines which we must follow.

**Parking:** Please do not park on the pavements, block driveways or double park outside the school. Too often there have been near misses at the school gate. Please think of all children and park away

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from the school at all times.

**Wet Intervals:** We provide your child with activities to do during wet intervals, if you would like to provide your child with a book or small, inexpensive game, that would be great. Please do not send your child in with any valuable items such as PSP or iPods.

**Anti Vandalism / Health & Safety:** Please report any sightings to the police. As you know we are equipped with CCTV cameras and these are very beneficial to us. Such cameras are fully operational both day and night and allow us to identify and report any vandalism.

**Head Lice:** Please check your child's head on a regular basis and inform the school if you find an infestation.

**Physical Education:** Please provide your child with a gym bag which has a water bottle, white t-shirt and black shorts – this is all they need for PE during good weather. In the winter please make sure your child adds a pair of bottoms and warm top – preferably waterproof – as they go outside for PE very often. It would also be useful for outdoor trainers to be brought for PE sessions – these can be put in school bags or kept in the gym bags in school - Please remind your child to bring this home on occasion for washing.

**All Jewellery MUST be removed during Physical Activities (incl PE):** I would ask that you refrain from piercing your child's ears until the beginning of the summer holidays as any size of earring prohibits your child from taking part in physical activities. Policy states that staff cannot remove jewellery.

**School Dress Code:** Pupils are encouraged and praised for wearing our school uniform. White shirt and school tie together with the school blazer are always encouraged.

**Mobile phones:** EDC policy states that any child requiring a mobile phone in school should hand their phone into the school office each morning and collect it at the end of the day.

**Tooth brushing:** All children in the nursery, P1 and P2 classes brush their teeth daily in order to create good habits and decrease mouth decay. Pupils brush their teeth within class, after lunchtime.

**Attendance:** We monitor attendance every morning and afternoon session. If your child is going to be absent please contact the school office on **0141 955 2232**. Failure to do this puts a series of actions in place which could result in calling the Attendance Officer and Police Scotland. If your child is late please

explain that he/she must pass the Office to check off their name. The class teacher may have already alerted the Office to begin the attendance check procedures and your child coming to the Office when late could stop this procedure more quickly.

**Keep in touch:**



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### **Recognising Pupils' Achievements outwith Clober Primary—Please Return**

We encourage children to tell us about their achievements outwith school however big or small. For this reason we would like your help. If you feel that your child has accomplished something for the first time, improved in something or has achieved an award (yellow belt in Judo, a badge at Scouts /Brownies/Boys Brigade etc) then please let us know by completing the tear off slip below. This will then be discussed at assembly and added to our achievements wall and records.

-----CUT and RETURN-----

### **Recognition of Achievement**

I would like (name) \_\_\_\_\_ (Class) \_\_\_\_\_ to be recognised for his/her achievements in (please provide as much detail as possible):

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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