FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

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KEY DATES TO REMEMBER

05.03 Workd Book Day. See info below
Netball Fun 5z
11.03 P5/6/7 Football Event
12.03 Parents Night. See info below
16.03 - 18.03 P7 Residential Trip to Robinwood
18.03 Parent Council Meeting
19.03 Nurture Cafe Drop In PM
19.03 PC Spring Disco
25.03 SLC Dance Festival
26.03 P6 Euro Quiz
27.03 Havers @ 9:30am
02.04 Whole School Family STEM Event. Info to follow.
02.04 School Closes @ 2:30pm for Spring Break
20.04 Pupils return @ 9am

1 PARENT COUNCIL

Huge thanks to the PC for their donation towards class trips this year. Once these are confirmed we will communicate info via Parents Portal. Our PC have also kindly donated funds and organised My Instrument and Me sessions for children to participate in, these will take place next term. We are also grateful for a donation of Dyslexia Friendly Books for our Library. Look out on FB and Instagram for info on the PC Spring Disco on Thurs 19th March.

2 SCHOOL PRIORITIES

Our Reading Ambassadors went to visit High Blantyre PS as part of our school development work. They came back with lots of great ideas to encorage a love of reading for pleasure at Halfmerke. We are looking for any family or friends of family volunteers to help out with our Reading Schools Award, please get in touch or speak to Miss Byrne at parents night.

Reading Schools

3 WORLD BOOK DAY

Please check Parents Portal for information regarding World Book Day on the 5th March. Pupils can dress up if they wish and bring along their favourite book to share with their friends. Our Reading Ambassadors have shared information on activities that everyone will be involved in on the day. We are looking forward to a day of celebrating reading for all!

4 PARENTS NIGHT

Parents Night appointments are now live on Parents Portal. Please go on and book a slot to discuss your childs progress with their teacher. We will have some of our Pupil Ambassadors around on the night to share some information and gather some feedback from families to help with our school improvement priorities. We will have tea/coffee available in the dining hall so please come and chat with them.

BE RESPECTFUL

BE SAFE

BE READY

5 Participatory Budget Update

After consultation last year it was confirmed that a percentage of our PEF budget, through the Participatory Budgeting scheme, will be spent to resource more outdoor learning opportunities for pupils. During the Spring Break works will be completed on our playground to create more outdoor spaces for learning across both schools in our campus. We are looking forward to this adjustment and hope for some better weather to enjoy more learning outdoors.

A message from Ms Hogg

Another busy month at Halfmerke for everyone! Our P7s have participated in a STEM workshop, had a visit from High School staff and took part in their PE transition day. Our p6 & p7 classes had Rugby taster sessions and our p5 & p2 classes enjoyed the lunchtime Multisports club run by Active Schools. Well done to our violinists who participated in the Mass Strings Day at Hamilton Town House, a great experience for them! On Internet Safety Day we all learned a little more about staying safe online and our Digital Ambassadors led everyone in a whole school assembly. Our Dyslexia Champions had a visit to the EN library this week and came back with lots of good ideas to share with our Reading Ambassadors. Big thanks to everyone for supporting all of these events. Great experiences for all our pupils!

Thank you for your continued support.

Ms Hogg