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Dear Parents, Carers & Children

Well Done: It's hard to believe we are six weeks in to the new school year. We have launched this year with an incredibly ambitious and fulfilling curriculum with the addition of 14 enrichment clubs each week. There is an awful lot going on for parents and children alike compared to what we have experienced over the last 18 months. We are all having to adapt rapidly to a new pace of life – Well Done All! Now we are getting back into the swing of things we have taken all the clubs off the Next Week at Newburgh item of the Newsletter so new events don't get missed.

I must also mention an extra special well done for Mrs Duthie who completed the London Marathon on Sunday – a wonderful achievement.

Eco & School Council Elections: Don't forget election day is Thursday 14th October. Children will need a manifesto or poster explaining why they make a suitable candidate for these roles. Please see our <u>Enrichment Page</u> for more information about this.

PTA: It was lovely to be able to have a face to face PTA Annual General Meeting this week. As well as being an extremely enjoyable meeting socially we were also able to celebrate an incredible year of fundraising (despite the odds), raising over £4,360 as well as discuss new ideas to raise (and spend) money raised by the PTA. See the back page of the Newsletter for more information. Our next PTA meeting will be Wednesday 12th January 2022 at 6.30pm. Everyone is very welcome to attend. Please also see the new PTA page of our website for more information

After School Club: Our Afterschool Club is now getting full on several nights a week. If, for any reason you do not need to put children in to club please let Chrissy know so we can accommodate other children who may need a space.

Flu Vaccinations: - these will take place on Monday for those children who have permission to receive this.

Warmest Regards,





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What is the best thing you have learned this week?

<u>Team Nursery</u> Playing with the "big boys" (our Key Stage 2 Nursery Assistants)

<u>Team Crane</u> Tasting sour lemons, baking bread, playing with our sticks

<u>Team Halton</u> Learning about Harvest, animals & the human body. <u>Team Lucas</u> Learning about continents and oceans, writing our own story.

<u>Team Rigby</u> Learning our 8 & 4 times tables, investigating toothpaste effectiveness using eggs! Learning about the Leeds and Liverpool canal.

<u>Team Venables</u> Played Mayan bingo, studied the physical geography of South America.



Reminders

- Parents of Year 1 and 2 children are invited to join us in church at 9.15 on Monday 18th October to watch our Harvest Service led by those year groups.
- We will be collecting dry and tinned food items for harvest from the 18th – 20th October.

Website Updates

<u>Team Crane</u> - Crane Weekly Liaison added. <u>Enrichment Opportunities</u> - 50 Things To Do

<u>Enrichment Opportunities</u> - 50 Things To Do At Newburgh added. <u>PTA</u> – Welcome to the PTA, PTA representatives, Notes from the AGM and Events added.

Headteacher's Roll of Honour

Those children who have demonstrated both effort in school and the Gospel Value of Respect are:-

<u>Team Crane</u>

Dexter

Team Halton

Scarlett

Team Lucas

Coen

Team Rigby 3

Dixie

Team Rigby 4

Iris

Team Venables

Beth

Elliott

Congratulations to the **MAPLE FAMILY** for gaining the most points this week.

Times Tables Rock Stars Leaderboard:-

Year 3 – Rory

Year 4 – Iris

Year 5 – Patrick

Year 6 – Harry

Keep practicing!

Next Week at Newburgh:-

<u>Dinners</u> – Week 2 (limited menu)

Monday – Flu Vaccinations

<u>Thursday</u> – Election Day – School and Eco Council elections.

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PTA AGM Wednesday 6th October 2021

The meeting attendees were all warmly welcomed.

The fundraising of the last 12 months was acknowledged and celebrated. While events were not possible the following activities did take place:

Christmas Cards - £80.00 Santa Dash - £1471.00 Mother's Day Hamper - £725.00 Father's Day Hamper - £328.00 Amazon Smile - £192.35 100 Club - £1560.00

A total of £4356.35 was raised last year – a phenomenal achievement.

Mrs Fowler gave a summary of what the school would like to raise funds for next. School would like to develop the wildlife area at the top of the playground and turn this into a spiritual garden for children to use. School would also like to develop and improve the orchard area of the school grounds. There is also a plan to start a camera club for juniors for which cameras will need to be purchased.

Fundraising ideas for the Autumn term were discussed and the following ideas put forward:-

Donut sales – already in progress, order forms have been sent home.

Christmas cards – Lisa Hope to order packs from Cauliflower Cards to be distributed to all children ASAP for them to design a Christmas card that parents can purchase as cards, wrapping paper, mugs etc.

Tea Towels – children could draw a self portrait in school to be printed onto tea-towels for parents to purchase. Helen Pletts offered to look into the possibility of this as the lead time for Christmas could be near. **Curry Club** – this was the last event that the PTA ran and was extremely popular. Cathie Williams to see if a date in November to run a night with curry and drinks at school is possible.

Wreath Making – Another popular PTA event in which participants create their own traditional Christmas wreath at a workshop at school. Fiona Casey offered to take the lead in organising this event. **Note** – **this event is now booked on Friday 3rd December** – **save the date!**

There was also discussion about the potential for Amazon Smile and the 100 Club to raise a lot of funds for the PTA with relatively little effort. With Amazon Smile a percentage is donated to the PTA every time people shop with Amazon. With the arrival of Christmas it was felt that this could raise quite a bit of revenue if all families signed up. With this in mind the instructions to sign up will be distributed again using various means of communication.

The 100 Club is the lottery, currently raising £130 per month for the PTA. Members buy numbers to be entered into a draw each month (£1 per number). The winning number wins £25 with a bonus £50 draw in December.

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let's raise some dough

After the success of last time, the PTA will once again be selling original glazed **hrispy hreme** doughnuts

PRE- ORDERS ONLY

Order forms will be sent home in school bags next week with the deadline for orders being **Friday 15th October**.

Children will be handed their order at the end of term on **Friday 22nd October**

Doughnut miss out!

3 for £3 or a box of 12 for £10



For Allergens see: https://www.krispykreme.co.uk/original-glazed.html

Support your PTA and help raise money for your childrens school.

