

MOUNT PLEASANT PRIMARY

NEWSLETTER - JANUARY 16

BURNS DAY AT MOUNT PLEASANT



Mount Pleasant Primary celebrated Burns on Monday 25th January with a whole school Burns lunch. P7 pupil Cameron Clark piped in the haggis and P6 did the address to the haggis. Pupil Katie Chambers said 'the SNAG (school nutrition action group) did a lovely job decorating the tables', while Ellie-Grace Esson-Sutherland said, 'the haggis was delicious'.

ANNUAL P7 BRING AND BUY SALE

On Friday 29th of January P7 held their annual Bring and buy sale. It went successfully and raised £411 and we still had lots of goodies left over. We put the left over goodies to the charity shop. We had stalls such as teddy's, toys, homeware, accessories, crafts, books, DVDS, puzzles and last of all games. Thank you to everyone for their donations and for their support for our trip to Fairburn!

By Ellie-Grace, Chloe and Abigail P7

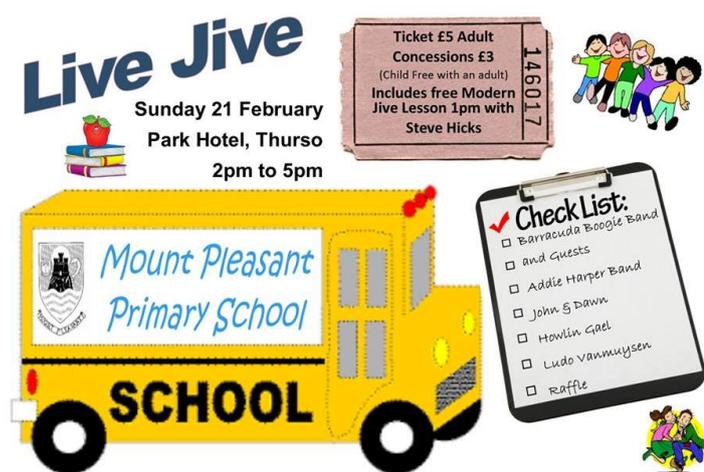
TABS 4 TUBS

Thank you to everyone who collected their Flora Tabs - we are absolutely delighted to tell you that a fabulous Galaxy Tablet was delivered to the school last week. We are certain that the children will put this to good use.

ARCTIC WINDS

A quintet of highly talented musicians, called Arctic Winds, visited Mount Pleasant School recently. The children from nursery to primary 7 were treated to a concert packed full of exciting music! The musicians played some very interesting looking wind instruments. Some children were familiar with the instruments and others enjoyed experiencing them for the first time. The instruments being played included a flute, an oboe, a clarinet, a bassoon and a French horn. The children were able to recognise some of the pieces of music being played very quickly and particularly enjoyed listening to the Pink Panther Theme. During another part of the performance, the children were asked to identify which animals were being imitated by the wind instruments. They all listened very carefully and managed to pick out a variety of different birds, monkeys, elephants and tigers to name but a few!

COME ALONG TO OUR LIVE JIVE



Our P7 Parents are running a Live Jive music session to raise funds for their Fairburn Trip. It's always a good afternoon with a variety of different musicians performing. Why not pop along and join us at The Park Hotel on Sunday 21st February from 2pm to 5pm

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU CHANGE

Due to the long weekend there is a change to the menu for Thursday 18th February. chicken nuggets will be served instead of roast chicken.

JAMMIN' FITNESS

In January, Andy McKechnie from Jammin fitness came back to visit our school and he led us all in another exciting assembly! We listened to Andy tell some inspirational stories about his sporting history and learned about those who positively influenced him to turn his dreams into reality. Following this, it was time for the whole school (teachers and children!) to get up and get dancing. We had lots of fun copying Andy's dance routine!

Primary 6 and 7 then took part in a Jammin workshop which involved the children using the dance moves that they had learned in a previous session and adapting them to incorporate different instructions, directions and formations. The aim of this session was to develop self-confidence in the older children and provide them with the tools necessary to lead the younger children in a dance routine in the future.

DANCEATHON

Our Annual Danceathon will take place on Monday 21st March this year. This is to raise funds so we can take all the individual classes off on a summer term excursion. The children love doing this fundraiser as it is always a great deal of fun for everyone involved.

Sponsor forms will be sent home with the children on 7th March - we would be very grateful if you would support this fundraiser as without this we would be unable to ensure every class would be able to take part in an annual trip.

SCHOOL SURVEY

The annual school surveys went home with the children on Monday. This is a great tool for us to identify our next steps in our development. Your opinions and those of your children are extremely important to us - we would be very grateful if you would take five minutes out of your day to complete and return this to the school by 19th February 2016.

HIGHLAND SCHOOLS GYMNASTIC COMPETITION



Mount Pleasant's amazing gymnastics team travelled to Inverness Leisure Centre last Sunday to take part in the Highland Schools Gymnastic Competition which is attended by primary and secondary schools from all over the Highlands. Hannah, Kayleigh, Chase and Kelsey did a fantastic job performing their floor and vault routines.

Well done girls!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 15 th & Tue 16 th Feb	February Long Weekend - School Closed
Wed 17 th Feb	In Service Day - School closed to pupils
Fri 19 th Feb	School Surveys due back
Mon 22 nd Feb	Parents' Evening slips come home
Tue 23 rd Feb	After School Football restarts
Tue 23 rd Feb	Primary 7 Rotary Quiz at Mount Pleasant
Wed 24 th Feb	Primary 1 and 7 Dental Inspections
Fri 27 th Feb	Music Festival entry forms due back in
Tue 1 st March	Parents' Evening request slips due in
Thu 3 rd March	Parents' Evening appointments come home.
Thu 10 th March	Parents' Evening
Mon 21 st March	Annual fundraising Danceathon
Thu 24 th March	Last day of school before Easter holidays
Mon 11 th April	School re-opens for term 4
Fri 22 nd April	School Photographer - Class groups

