



Tinto Times

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Head Teacher's Report

Welcome to the first of our summer term newsletters – only another two to go! The news items this month begin with celebrating achievements.

Baby News: Mr and Mrs MacConnell were delighted to welcome their son, Jamie, into their family. Mother and baby are doing very well and we were pleased to see Jamie in school one week later!

Easter Eggs & Bonnets: Thank you very much for supporting the children with their entries. As usual, imagination and humour was very much in evidence - lots of "Br-eggs-it" jokes! Photos are available on the school app.

N-P3 Bonnet winners were: William Ronaldson, Archie Miller & Kiera Mayo

P4-7 Bonnet winners were: Scarlett Cowan, Lannon Williamson & Aaron Turner

N-P3 egg winners were: Maisie Taylor, Harry Lyon & Ivy Taylor

P4-7 egg winners were: Aiden White, Lauren Johnstone & Jack Morris

Everyone who entered received a little bag of eggs – well done to everyone.

Top Table: At the end of each month children are selected for their good manners in the dining hall. The support and facilities staff choose the children to sit at the Top Table and have their meals served to them by Mrs Kilgallon and myself. The children also select a prize from the treasure box. The children selected for this month were: Neve Leslie, Maddison Glynn, Chloe Reynolds, Jack Erskine, Blair Laughtland, Kristiana Fleming, Aiden Garret, Caleb Cathcart, Lannon Williamson, Ryan Adamson, Toby Cook, & Hannah Greirson. (Photo on the app)

Charity success: Tommy Ronaldson has raised an amazing £1408 so far, in aid of The Princess Charity. Tommy has not only raised this fantastic amount but he has also had his long, blonde hair cut off and donated to the charity for wigs. The charity provide wigs for children who have suffered hair loss as a result of cancer treatment.

Aiden White has also been raising money for charity this month. Along with his family, Aiden completed the Glasgow Kiltwalk and raised money for the hospital where he was treated for his brain tumour – The Royal Hospital for Children in Glasgow. The family have raised £320 so far. Both children have links to their charity on the school FB page should you wish to donate.

Big Clean: All the classes in the school took part in the Big Clean at the beginning of the term. With the help of parents and borrowed litter pickers quite a number of black bags were filled with rubbish – which is actually very sad. Well done to the eco committee for organising the event.

Church Service: The school community enjoyed a walk down to Symington Church where they were met by the pealing of the bells (thanks to Hannah, Lauren and Scarlett). The children listened very attentively to why we had Maundy Thursday and the meaning of the Last Supper. Thanks to everyone who attended and to Rev Shand for his contribution.

This term is a very busy one so please do keep up to date via the App for events and notifications.

Regards

Ms Stark

Tinto Parent Council

May sunshine is coming - I hope the kids get nice weather for the bank holiday weekends this month.

I would like to remind everyone not to forget about 'easyfundraising' as you think about booking some sunshine for later in the year or the holiday wardrobe. Lots of the large travel companies offer a percentage of your total cost which can amount to quite a good amount. It is a great way to raise funds without any cost to you. These funds are being used to buy resources for the kids all the time so thanks to everyone that finds the time to do the double click before they buy. It is very easy to set up.

This year we are hoping to raise funds for more IT equipment such as tablets and cameras that the teachers have requested. This will enable the children to have access to a number of exciting new types of lessons. There are also plans for improvements to the garden which will provide nice projects for the kids to be included in.

I also wanted to mention the 'Parentzone Scotland' website. This is a very useful resource for parents wishing to find out more about the curriculum or how to support their child in education at any age.

The Tinto app is regularly updated and is an easy way for parents to check what is happening in the school.

The Parent Council are here to listen to your views and to help communicate these with the school. Previous minutes will be available to view on the school website. If you have any questions, comments or suggestions that you wish to share then please contact me on tintoparents@gmail.com.

The next meeting of the parent council is Monday the 13th May in the school at 7 pm. Meetings are open to all parents and we would welcome you to join us to find out more regarding ongoing plans within the school and future fundraising events.

Kind regards

Lorna Christie.

Chairperson Tinto Parent Council.