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"When you believe in yourself, anything is possible."

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"In Scotland, there is no such thing as bad weather – only the wrong clothes."
Billy Connolly

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

OUT AND ABOUT

This week, P4W have been shelter building with Adventure Aberdeen at the Tyrebagger Forest. These experiences are helping the pupils to develop key life skills of communication, cooperation and collaboration.

"I thought it was fun and exciting because it was an adventure. I loved building the den and thought it looked really cool when it was finished." Jacob

"I found it entertaining. There was a lot of teamwork. We couldn't do it ourselves, we had to work together to build the den and the fire. It was like we were dragons breathing fire!" Alice



BIKE ROADSHOW



Yesterday we had a visit from the Bike Roadshow. All pupils from P5 – P7 had a slot to go out into the playground and try out different types of bikes. The pupils had a fantastic time as you can see from the photos above. Each of the classes have included some photos and a reflection on their class page on the school website. A big thank you to Adventure Aberdeen and to Ms. Murchison for overseeing the day.

SCOTS WEEK OF CELEBRATIONS

What a fantastic week we have had celebrating all things Scottish as part of commemorating Robert Burns' birthday. Each class has worked hard to learn a new dance which has been filmed and will be shared in next week's assembly. These are as follows.

Year Group	Dance	Year Group	Dance
P1	Grand Old Duke of York	P5	Virginia Reel
P2	Military Two Step	P6	Virginia Reel
P3	St. Bernards Waltz	P6/7	Dashing White Sergeant
P4	Gay Gordons	P7	Strip the Willow

We have also had brilliant poetry recitals and poetry writing across the school. This has given all pupils the opportunity to learn more about the Scots language and to understand why it is an important part of our heritage. P5M had a great virtual meet with Sheena Blackhall on Tuesday afternoon to learn more about her work as a poet. They also sang songs, listened to stories and were inspired to write poetry.



THERAPET



One of the great resources we have access to in the school are Tilly and Hattie who help some pupils develop confidence around animals and take care of them. They also enjoy this time to chat and tell stories within a safe, calm environment. We know this has significant impact on reducing anxiety which some pupils can have.

RELATIONSHIPS/INTERNET SAFETY COURSE FOR PARENTS

Please see below a link to a YouthLink Scotland conference on the subject of online safety and relationships which may be of interest to you.

<https://www.youthlinkscotland.org/events/february-2022/digital-youth-work-conference-all-fun-and-games-exploring-respect-and-relationships-online/>

GOOD NEWS!

We were delighted to be informed this week that Hazlehead has been shortlisted as a finalist in the Aberdeen Sports Award 2022. This is in the category of School Innovation Award which was our unique approach to ensuring that physical education remained a priority during the lockdown periods. We hope to take some pupils along to this event which will see a celebration of all sport in our city.

INCREDIBLE WORK

This week's Incredible Work celebrates Scots poetry. You can see this week's Incredible Work [on our website](#).

Have a lovely weekend. Barbara Jones ☺