

MIDDLETON PARK NURSERY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents / Carers

31st March, 2016

Many thanks for all your support during an extraordinary term! Our partnership has most definitely been excellent and we are in a fantastic position now to build upon our successes. A few updates:

- Mrs Jodi Wilson has successfully been appointed as a Senior Early Years Teacher in Aberdeenshire and I know you will congratulate Jodi on her promotion. Jodi has made many valuable and significant contributions to Middleton Park School during her four years. I know the parents who have had children in her care have been very grateful for the many rich learning opportunities she has provided and her very caring and nurturing approach with all her pupils. We are confident we will have an experienced supply teacher for P2M next term and are pushing through the paperwork to ensure this happens.
- More good news – we are on a roll! We have been shortlisted for two categories in the Scottish Education Awards – Raising Attainment in Numeracy and Creativity. Judging will take place during the week of 25th April and the winning schools will be announced at a glittering ceremony in Glasgow in June. We have also had two proposals accepted for the Scottish Learning Festival in September. We look forward to sharing our work at Middleton Park School at this high profile national event.
- Creativity has most certainly very visible over the last two weeks. Highlights include P7's performance of Jesus Christ Superstar at Oldmachar Church, P2's Viking Play, P5 and 5/6's Sixties Music Festival as well as a host of exceptional learning experiences across all classes. Our nursery parents were treated to a beautiful Spring Tea by our nursery children.
- Once more we have been very impressed by the very high standard and the creativity shown in our recent whole school homework challenge. The homework is being collated and will be shared with all classes as well as visitors to our school. Thank you for once again 'raising the bar'.
- This Friday will be 'Dress as you Please' with a suggested donation of £1. The Charities Committee have chosen Water Aid for collection.
- The winning class for our healthy snack competition is P2M. Tesco have generously donated a healthy fruit platter. Please keep supporting us by ensuring your children come to school with a healthy snack.
- We are hoping for a dry warm summer term so that all our pupils can enjoy our large field. If it is muddy, pupils will only be allowed onto it if they have a change of shoes and trousers.
- We will use the back of the school on the first few days back after the hols – update to follow.
- We have signed up for the national Big Pedal. From the 25th -29th April we will be recording how many pupils, parents and staff can manage to cycle or scoot to school. Let's see how well we can do! More information coming next term.
- Wishing everyone a lovely restful Easter holiday and looking forward to another action packed term!

Jenny Watson, Head Teacher



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