



Parent Information Sheet

Friday 20th November 2020

Our House Points are back up and running and this week for the first time this year we have the scores on the doors...



Points for READY TO LEARN, SAFE AND RESPECTFUL for this week are...



Eagles - 600 points Hawks - 529 points Owls - 554 points Falcons - 427 points

Well done to the Blue Eagles. You've had a brilliant three weeks. Can they be caught next week I wonder?

Cash for Clobber

Well done everyone the PTA raised an amazing £676 thanks to your donations of 1690Kg old clothes!! It was definitely worth a rummage in your wardrobes and braving the awful weather last Tuesday to drop off the bags. Thank you!

Glencraig Recipe Book

Today is the last day for recipe book orders - 250 books have been sold so far but it's not too late to get your order placed! The books are now with our printing company and we will be expecting to get them delivered to classrooms the week beginning the 7th December.

Assembly

This week it was the turn of our Rights Respecting Warriors to lead our assembly. They'd like to tell you a bit about it...

"This week the house captains made an assembly about Rights Respecting Warriors. We explained all about UNICEF the children's charity who teach people all about their rights as a child. We also introduced ourselves and Rights Respecting Ricky, our bear who gives an important message every week to keep our school safe and enjoyable for everyone. We talked about an article and every few week's we hope to introduce the school to as many articles as we can.

The house captains include- Abigail and Anna from the Red Falcons, Esme, John and Cara from the Green Hawks, Harry and Nina from the Yellow Owls and Delphi and Riona from the Blue Eagles. We also talked about the jobs we would be doing if it wasn't for COVID-19!

Lastly we hope you all stay safe and keep well."

By Delphi (Blue House) and Esme (Green House)

Action Mental Health

On Thursday Leah from Action Mental Health led workshops with our P6 and P7 classes. We had these workshops booked in last year but unfortunately they fell victim to the Covid lockdown, We are delighted that our children are getting this opportunity now. Never before has looking after your mental health been more important!! Here's a report from Zulema, Ciara & Harriet who are three of our P7 Pupil Council reps...

"On Thursday 19th Leah Moore came in to teach us about The Healthy Me Programme. She taught us about the five keys:- learn, be active, give, connect and take notice. We drew around our hand and wrote 5 adults that we could talk to when we have something on our mind.

Leah told us to take care of our mental health as much as your physical health. Drink 8 cups of water, eat 5 fruits or vegetables a day and do 30 minutes of exercise e.g. cycling, running, walking and swimming etc. We learnt what organisations would help you if you had no one to talk to e.g. UNICEF, Barnardo's and Childline.

You have around 60,000 - 80,000 thoughts a day. When you have something on your mind you might take it out on other people, it sometimes is better to let your emotions out."

By Zulema, Ciara & Harriet P7

Anti Bullying Week

This week was Anti-bullying week and all the classes have been involved in activities to get the anti-bullying message across. Here's what's been going on...

P1 & P2 Bully & the Shrimp book for focus and discussion plus how to fill someone's bucket!

P3 Watched a dinosaur video themed around bullying and discussed

P4 Used some of the NI Anti-Bullying Alliance materials including a video and completed the crumpled paper exercise

P5 Made anti-bullying posters for their classroom and designed odd socks on Monday. Also discussed how to play games fairly

P6 Created jig-saw puzzles on how we all play our part in the fight against bullying

P7 Bullying scenario role play, Q&A sessions; Looking at types of bullying and how to prevent, identify and intervene

Nursery Visitors

It was just lovely to see the youngest members of our school community visit the main school on Friday. All wrapped up in their coats, wellies and umbrellas they took a very short stroll round the grounds. Hopefully the first of many visits!!



Christmas is on its way...

"The Pupil Council is very excited about our upcoming Christmas event called 'Elf Day'. We just want to remind you that you can all come into school dressed as an elf on the 4th of December, to help our school to raise money for Alzheimer's. Pop on a paper hat, or wear your striped socks- it's all for a good cause! All donations can be placed via our Just Giving page. Log on to Just Giving and search for GlenCraig Elf Day!

In keeping with the Christmas theme, Pupil Council are also promoting an IEF colouring competition- entries will be done in school next week and we all will have a chance to win a framed copy of our piece and an art set! It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas! "

From the Pupil Council.

Written by Benjamin F P7

Dates to put in your diary...

Friday 4th December

Week beginning 14th December

Tuesday 22nd December

Kick starting Christmas with Elf Day in aid of Alzheimer's Society
Release of KS1 Christmas Concert
Christmas Jumper PTA Fundraiser
SCHOOL FINISHES FOR CHRISTMAS