October 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope everyone enjoyed the October Break. This is a busy term, with lots going on in school! Please remember to keep checking your child’s bag and our website www.townhill-pri.s-lanark.sch.uk for more information and follow us on our twitter feed @townhillsps

STAR OF THE WEEK
The following children received a Star of the Week Award in October:

Room 1  Jayden Gardiner
Room 2  Ciara Agnew  
Room 3  Codiey McCall  
Room 4  Summer Aitkenhead  
Room 5  Lachlan Gray 
Room 6  Liam Edwards  
Room 7  Evie Magilton  
Room 8  Billie Dick, Megan Ritchie  
Room 9  Liam Murtagh, Rachel Reid  
Room 10  Alyssa Clegg  
Room 11  Morgan Manship, Christopher Wood  
Room 13  James Jackson, Joshua Cormack  
Room 14  Rachael Groves

HARVEST ASSEMBLY
We held our Harvest Assembly on Thursday, 4th October. This year the theme was The ABC (All Bright Colours) of Harvest and in return for wearing bright colours the children brought a £1 donation. Thank you so much for your support with this. Your generosity means that we will be able to donate 3 gifts of £110 to Miller Park Sheltered Housing, Hamilton District Food Bank and Hamilton Churches Drop in Centre.

BOOK FAIR
Thank you to everyone who purchased books from the Scholastic Book Fair at our Parents’ Evenings on Wednesday, 10th and Thursday, 11th October. We recently used commission we had earned from our May Parents’ Evenings to buy books and teacher resources to support all classes with reading, further develop their higher order
thinking skills and foster a culture of reading for enjoyment. Any commission earned from our October Book fair will be used to supplement class and school libraries. Thank you!

HOUSE TREAT
Congratulations to Katie Higgins and Logan Cortes, BAIRD House Captains and all the pupils in their house for winning our first termly house treat! The children enjoyed a movie afternoon and some tasty treats!
Well done, BAIRD house! I wonder who will be the winners at the end of this term?

INTER HOUSE QUIZ
Our Inter House Quiz for pupils will now take place on the afternoon of Friday, 23rd November.

WW1 COMPETITION
Congratulations to Olivia Keddie and Ariella Burt, Primary 7 for winning 2nd and 3rd place in a poetry competition organised by our colleagues in Social Work Resources as part of South Lanarkshire Council’s commemoration of the end of World War 1. Olivia, Ariella and I are looking forward to attending the commemoration event on Thursday, 8th November at council headquarters. Well done, girls!

BUDDIES
Our P1 and P7 Buddies enjoyed their Buddy Afternoon on Monday, 29th October, taking part in some Halloween themed activities. The next Buddy Afternoon will have a Fireworks theme and takes place on Friday, 9th November. Buddy Lunch takes place again on Friday, 23rd November. Our Big Buddies and Wee Buddies really enjoyed spending this special time together and are building some lovely relationships! Well done, P1 and P7!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY
Mon, 5th November
Lunchtime: Lunchtime Funtime for P3, Room 5
3.00pm: P5-7 Choir
3.00pm: P4 Judo Club
Tues, 6th November
Lunchtime: P5/6/7 Cricket Club
3.00pm: P6/7 Boys Football Training
Wed, 7th November
12.45pm: Recorder Group
PM: Netball Team out with Miss Ballantyne
3.00pm: P6/7 Girls Football Training
Thurs, 8th November
AM: Mrs McGowan, Olivia and Ariella to WW1 Commemoration event, SLC HQ
PM: P6 Swimming
PM: Boys Football Team out (TBC)
3.00pm: P7 Netball Training
Fri, 9th November
9.30am: Room 3 and Room 4 Showcase Assembly
11.00am: Remembrance Assembly for P3-7 pupils
PM: P1 and P7 Buddy Afternoon

Mon, 12th November
Lunchtime: Lunchtime Funtime for P3, Room 5
3.00pm: P5-7 Choir
3.00pm: P4 Judo Club

Tues, 13th November
AM: Janice McVean, DHT Calderside Academy to Primary 7 classes
Lunchtime: P5/6/7 Cricket Club
3.00pm: P6/7 Boys Football Training

Wed, 14th November
12.45pm: Recorder Group
3.00pm: P6/7 Girls Football Training

Thurs, 15th November
AM: Room 7 to Hillhouse Library
11.30am: Pupil Leadership Groups - more information to follow
PM: P6 Swimming
3.00pm: P7 Netball Training

Fri, 16th November
Children in Need - more information to follow from Primary 7

Mon, 19th November
INSET 3

Tues, 20th November
9.30am: P1 Read, Write, Count Workshops for parents
Lunchtime: P5/6/7 Cricket Club
3.00pm: P6/7 Boys Football Training

Wed, 21st November
12.45pm: Recorder Group
3.00pm: P6/7 Girls Football Training

Thurs, 22nd November
PM: P6 Swimming - final session
3.00pm: P7 Netball Training

Fri, 23rd November
Lunchtime: P1 and P7 Buddy Lunch
PM: Inter House Quiz

Mon, 26th November
Lunchtime: Lunchtime Funtime for P3, Room 6
3.00pm: P5-7 Choir
3.00pm: P4 Judo Club

Tuesday, 27th November
Lunchtime: P5/6/7 Cricket Club
PM: Girls Football Team out with Mrs Henry
3.00pm: P6/7 Boys Football Training

Wed, 28th November
12.45pm: Recorder Group
3.00pm: P6/7 Girls Football Training
Thurs, 29th November
AM: Room 8 to Hillhouse Library
3.00pm: P7 Netball Training

Fri, 30th November
9.30am: Room 7 and Room 8 Showcase
11.00am: Whole school House Assembly

IN-SERVICE DAY
Please remember school is closed to pupils on Monday, 19th November for INSET 3. We re-open to pupils and staff on Tuesday, 20th November at 8.55am.

As always, please contact me at school should you have any questions or queries.

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