

## Diary

### May

Wed 30<sup>th</sup> P6b Museum

### June

#### **Fri 1<sup>st</sup> SPORTS DAY POSTPONED**

Mon 4<sup>th</sup> P3 cycle skills in playground and Meadows

Tues 5<sup>th</sup> Class Photographs

Mercy Corps to P6

Wed 6<sup>th</sup> P3 cycle skills in playground and Meadows

P7 Transition presentation by JGHS

Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> 6.30PM – 7.30PM A showcase and celebration of music at Sciennes

P3 cycle skills in playground and Meadows

P3 Hermitage

Fri 8<sup>th</sup> **Sports Day 9.30 – 11.00 approx. PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE**

Mon 11<sup>th</sup> Bike Week

SSPCA to Science classes

P5 Scottish Opera Mandarin Workshop

P5b cycle skills playground and Innocent Pathway

Wed 13<sup>th</sup> P5a cycle skills playground and Innocent Pathway

Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> P5c cycle skills playground and Innocent Pathway

P2 Beach Trip

7pm Parent Council AGM

Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Reports to Parent/Carer

Mon 18<sup>th</sup> P7 Transition Festival

P6c Museum

P7 Information Evening at JGHS

Tues 19<sup>th</sup> – Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> P7 3 Day visit to High School

P1a & P1d Induction

P6 to Jupiter Artland

Wed 20<sup>th</sup> P1b & P1c Induction

Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> P1 Vogrie Park

Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Cycle to school day starting 8.20am at King's Buildings

Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Term Ends Noon

### Music

We are looking forward to an evening of music on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June, 6.30pm – 7.30pm at Marchmont St Giles Church. This year the following groups are performing:

Orchestra

Acapella

GLEE club

P4 and P5 violin

Recorder

Woodwind

### Keeping Myself Safe

Thank you to the NSPCC team who provided very good workshops to P6 and P7 children.

### Parental Engagement

Huge thanks to the many parents and friends who have assisted and accompanied our children at several sporting events in the last few days. Thank you also to families who have contacted with stories and photographs of children participating in sporting activities.

### **Parent Council**

Thank you so very much to all our families, staff and members of the community who most generously supported the Summer Fair on Saturday. We greatly appreciated your donations and coming along on the day to encourage and help our children as they promoted and celebrated the Year of Young People. Sincere thanks to all who kindly volunteered before, during and after the event to ensure it was a great success. Grateful thanks to all the performers and the teams who provided exciting learning experiences. Special thanks to Jay Santhanam and the members of the Events and Fundraising group for an inspiring Summer Fair and encouraging so much parental engagement.

### **Friends of Sciennes School – Recruitment of Trustee**

FSST was established as a Scottish Registered Charity in October 1999.

One of its key purposes is:

“to advance the education of the pupils at Sciennes Primary School by providing extra resources, facilities and equipment that will give additional benefits and improvements to the educational, extracurricular and social life of the school and to protect the environment for the public benefit.”

We are seeking additional Trustees with drive and enthusiasm to provide good governance, strategic direction and expertise. We are also seeking to recruit an honorary Secretary who may or may not also be a Trustee.

If you wish to apply to be a Trustee, or the office bearer identified above please email me by Fri 8<sup>th</sup> June - a paragraph outlining relevant experience would be helpful:

[alison.noble@sciennes.edin.sch.uk](mailto:alison.noble@sciennes.edin.sch.uk)

Do please feel free to speak with current trustees: Bruce Crawford, Diane Glass, Jo Kite and Stuart Sheehan

Meetings are held about once a term on a Wednesday at 8am in the school library. The next meeting of FSST is at 8am on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September. New Trustees will be appointed at that meeting.

Alison Noble, Sciennes Head Teacher and Chair, Friends of Sciennes School Trust.

### **Capacity and Rising Rolls Event**

**Wednesday 6th June 7-9pm**

#### **James Gillespie’s High School, Malala Building Forum**

James Gillespie’s High School Parent Council is hosting an event at the JGHS Forum on Wednesday 6th June 7-9pm to engage with parents and our school community on the issue of capacity and rising rolls. Growth in pupil numbers is already putting pressure on the use of our school space and the predicted increase in pupil numbers from across our feeder primary schools requires strategic planning for future provision at JGHS.

Our panel will be:

- Donald Macdonald, Head Teacher of James Gillespie's High School
- Crawford McGhie, Acting Head of Operational Support, Communities & Families, Edinburgh Council
- Councillor Ian Perry, Southside/Newington Ward and Convener of Edinburgh Council's Education, Children and Families Committee
- Councillor Alison Dickie, Southside/Newington Ward and Vice-Convener of Edinburgh Council's Education, Children and Families Committee

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our feeder primary school community to attend this event.

Please note that seating at the JGHS Forum is limited but we will do our best to accommodate as many people as possible on a first-come, first-served basis and there will be some standing-room only space, if needed.

With thanks,

**JGHS Parent Council**

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