



CLERMISTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

HT report to Parent Council Jan 2017

Management and Staffing

3 new members of staff are joining our PSA team this term. Mrs Mackenzie and Miss Fulton started today and Mrs Hasabnis will start with us next Monday. We will also have a number of student teachers joining us between now and the end of the school session.

Curriculum Development/Raising attainment in maths.

As noted in our SQIP, we are committed to raising attainment in maths in line with CEC and Scottish Government expectations.



All teaching and PSA staff have attended Big Maths training on the January in-service day. Staff were very enthusiastic about the training and about the resource itself. We have purchased this resource and staff will begin to investigate and use it over the next 2 terms. The Big Maths resource will support the delivery of the maths curriculum by providing planning and assessment tools to all staff to help pupils to progress and be challenged throughout their maths learning.

Staff Development

Staff have completed their shared classroom experience from last term and provided feedback for partners and SMT. Another round of SCE will take place over this term.

JRSOs

JRSOs alongside police and school staff went out on the morning on 1st December with Hi-viz and handmade signs to remind drivers about the School Streets rules. All pupils were fully briefed beforehand about the exemptions to the rules so that they were aware that some drivers have the right to use the road even during the restricted times. JRSOs also handed out reward vouchers to pupils whom they saw who had travelled to school by alternate means. Their presence was very positively received by almost all the parents and carers who came by. A huge thanks to Miss Bottom for organising and coordinating this.

Creative Clermiston

December saw very successful Nativity performances by nursery am and pm pupils. Our new-look P1 and P2 Christmas show saw 149 pupils put on the show – Jack Lost in Fairyland to hundreds of family and friends.

Our choir collaborated and sang with the Rolling Hills Chorus at St Kentigern's Church and raised £750 for Children First as mentioned above.

Coming up this term is the P6 and P7 performance of Oliver, with auditions and rehearsals currently underway in all 4 classes.



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Building upgrades and improvements

Painting in P1 classrooms is now completed

A large number (exact number tbc) of classrooms will be fitted out with new tables and chairs as part of a rolling programme of replacement.