Dear Parents/ Carers,

As part of a nationwide thematic review into learning, teaching and assessment in mathematics, inspectors from HMIE (His Majesty's Inspectorate of Education) spent 2 days in our school, this week. Fifty schools across Scotland have been randomly selected to take part in this review. The purpose of this national thematic inspection is to evaluate the quality of learning and teaching of mathematics in early learning and childcare settings, primary, secondary and special schools. The findings from this inspection will provide an up-to-date picture of learners' experiences in mathematics and will support improvement in learning and teaching of mathematics and inform future curriculum development. Our school will not be named in the report and on this occasion will not receive an evaluation from HMIE, however the process was very positive and has supported us on our continuous journey of self-evaluation.

World Book Day is next week, Mrs McNair and her pupil leadership group have a variety of activities planned across the week. We are looking forward to a whole school quiz, hearing from a variety of authors and finishing off the week with a dress up day. Mrs McNair has already issued information regarding these events but if you have any questions, please contact the school office.

Our P7 learners have started their bikeability training and are working with the EDC outdoor team over the next few weeks. The first week was a great success and they hope to progress out onto the roads in the next few weeks.

In partnership with Active Schools, West of Scotland Rugby Club are working with our P5 learners during their P. E time to gain a better undertaking of the game of rugby. It is always great for our children to receive training from sporting experts and the learners are really enjoying the experience.

Can I respectfully remind all parents that the bottom of the driveway is not to be used for parking or turning. Many of our children cross this road to get to school and as I have previously communicated, parking and turning in this area causes a risk to our children.

The diary is very busy in the next few weeks, below are a list of events for your information

Tuesday 5th March P4 and P5 Confessions

Thursday 7th March P6 trip to the Science Centre

Friday 8th March P4(1) Reading Café

Saturday 9th March First Confession in St Andrew's Parish

Tuesday 12th March Internet Safety Talk for P6 from PC Todd

Wednesday 13th March P7(2) reading Café

Thursday 14th March P4(2) reading Café

Friday 15th March P7(1) Assembly

Tuesday 19th March Parent Council Meeting

Friday 22nd March P5(2) Assembly

Friday 22nd March P4 Beat Buddy performance

Monday 25th March Parents Evening (5pm- 7.30pm)

Wednesday 27th March Parents Evening (3.15pm- 5.45pm)

Thursday 28th Match School closes at 2.30pm for Easter Holiday

Monday 15th April School Reopens

Thank you for your continued support, have a lovely weekend

Charlotte Grogan