



SANDWOOD NEWS



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Dear Parent/Carer,

Happy New Year to all our families. We wish you every happiness for 2026.

Our Scottish Poetry Competition Final will take place on Friday 30th January. On this day we ask that children wear full school uniform.

Pupils have a class poem to learn and will recite this in front of their peers. Two family members of our finalists will be invited to attend on 30th January.

Raffle tickets are available to win our Scottish Hamper or footballs. Raffle tickets are 50p for one strip or 3 strips for £1. Additionally, there will be our Coulter's Candy jar (guess the sweets in the jar) at 50p a guess. The draw will be made at our Scottish Poetry Competition on Friday 30th January.

Our classes are working on the theme Scotland this month and we will be participating in lots of Scottish themed activities.

As always, if you require any further information please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards
F Donnelly
Head Teacher



Eco Spot!



Recycling

We are still recycling textiles, in return for money through 'Rag Bag Recycling'. We accept (in bags):

- All clothing
- Household textiles such as sheets, blankets, towels and curtains (no pillows or duvets)
- Handbags and belts
- Paired footwear

The next collection will be 03/02/26

Health Spot!

Physical activity and a healthy lifestyle are of great importance for everyone, regardless of age, development and ability. For school children, they are of even greater importance, and have a significant impact on their physical, mental and social development.

Notification of your child's gym days is in the class newsletter.

We are fortunate to have coaches this term. P2/3 and P2 will receive Dance Coaching every Thursday morning from Determined to dance coaches.



healthy living



Day		9-10:45		11:00-12:15	1:15 – 2:00	2 – 3
Mon	MUGA				P6/7	P7
	Gym Hall	P4/5 until 2/3/25		Nevis	P5**	P6**
		P3***	P4***			
Tues	MUGA				P4/5	P2/3
	Gym Hall	Lomond		Thistle	P4	P6/7
Wed	MUGA				P4	P2
	Gym Hall	Iona and Islay		P7	Disney	
Thu	MUGA				P5	P3
	Gym Hall			*D2D-11:15-12:15-P2	*D2D-LCR-13:00-14:00	*D2D-14:00-15:00-P2/3
Fri	MUGA	P6/7		Lomond		
	Gym Hall	Disney		P1	Assembly	FUN31

*D2D- Determined to Dance- 12th January- 13th March.

Absence

If your child is going to be absent you require to notify the school. The guidance on the GCC website below will guide you how to do this. GCC have updated the school guidance on managing attendance and schools are required to follow up on any absences noted as TBC (to be confirmed). This means we do not have information on why your child is absent. The school will send a text message to notify the main contact of this. Please update the school or the absence line as to the reason for the absence.

Reporting a Pupil's Sickness or a Medical/Dental Appointment

If you have to report a pupil's Sickness or Medical/Dental Appointment, you can do this by using our [Online Form](#). On completion, your information will be passed on to your child's school.

For reasons other than Sickness or Medical/Dental Appointments, please contact the school directly.

Please note that you can also make a request by phoning 0141 471 3710 or 0141 287 0039 and providing the details requested by the operator.

The operator will then make sure the information is passed on to your child's school. If your child attends an additional support for learning school or a Glasgow nursery then you should continue to phone your child's school/nursery directly to report the absence.

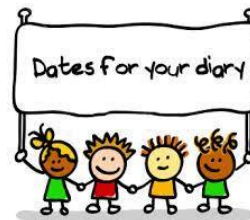
Glasgow Absence Reporting

Parents' Nights

Our Parents' Evenings will be held on Wednesday 25 February from 4:10pm-7:00pm and Thursday 5

March from 3.20pm – 5.50 pm

Pupils are invited to be present at these appointments to be involved in the discussion about their learning.



January

- Schools return on Monday, 5 January 2026

February mid term break

- Monday, 16 February 2026
- Tuesday, 17 February 2026
- Wednesday, 18 February 2026 (In-service day)

April - Spring Holiday (Easter)

- Schools close at 2.30 pm on Thursday, 2 April 2026
- Friday, 3 April 2026 (Good Friday)
- Monday, 6 April - Friday, 17 April 2026 (Spring Break)
- Schools return on Monday, 20 April 2026

May

- Monday, 4 May 2026 (May Holiday)
- Thursday, 7 May 2026 (In-service day to coincide with Scottish Parliamentary election, but may be subject to change)
- Friday, 22 May 2026 and Monday, 25 May 2026 (May Weekend)

June

- Schools Close at 1.00 pm on Thursday, 25 June 2026



CONGRATULATIONS!



Congratulations to:

P1: -

Freya Watt – won a medal at her dance show.
Arianna Crawford – won a medal at Taekwondo.
Stuart Brennan – scored a goal at football.
Lana Wood – won a medal for completing tasks at castle.
Grace McGregor – won a medal at gymnastics.
Maddison Paton – won a medal at gymnastics.

P2: -

Sophie Kalkowska – moved up to level 3 in gymnastics.
Ruby Bhandari – moved up a level in ice skating.
Rayden Bhandari – moved up a level in ice skating.
Alina Docherty – moved up to level 6 in gymnastics.
Erin Allan – moved up a level in gymnastics.
Cali Thomson – moved up to level 2 in gymnastics.
Christabel Opoku Twenboah – moved up a level in swimming.
Lochlan Hosie – moved up to level 3 in gymnastics.

P3/2: -

Oscar Will – moved up a swimming level.
Rhys Poole – is now a yellow belt at Taekwondo.
Kayden Watt – moved up a level in football.
Logan Campbell – is now a purple belt at Taekwondo.

P3: -

Seren Watson – performed in a wrestling show.
Zack Miller – joined a new football club.
Eilidh McAllister – learned how to do a back kick over at gymnastics.
Emily Smith – earned a swimming medal.
Julia Robinson – learned a new move at kick boxing.

P4: -

Oscar Henderson – is now a yellow belt at Taekwondo.
Elsie Dorrian – reached level 5 in ice skating.
Emily Allan – moved to level 4 in gymnastics

P5/4: -

Leeann McGurk – got accepted to attend a singing competition.
Daryl Robertson – earned a place in a karate competition.
Carter O'Donnell – got a blue card from Ralston Football Club.
Alanna Pearson – moved up a level in Rock Climbing.
Angus Ball – completed a 200 page novel – 'The Wild Robot'.
Sham Shanin – managed to achieve a new hairstyle on her own.

P5: -

Cerys Murray – moved up to swimming skills 3 and joined NBT.
Grace Henderson – joined NBT.
Isla Brennan – joined NBT.
Cora Barclay – is rehearsing for Peter Pan.
Dylan Lee – won a football competition with his team.

P6: -

Maddison Moore – won the NBT Trophy for singing at her Glee Club.
Harper McLelland – for improved performance in her Hip Hop dance class.
Orla Carroll – learned how to perform a round off half twist in gymnastics.

P7/6: -

Caleb O'Neill – achieved a yellow and white belt at kick boxing.
Noah Thomson – achieved a yellow and white belt at kick boxing.