Mrs Robertson's School Round-up 27 (15.03.2024)

My highlights this week have been: -

Ross Gibson, the City of Edinburgh Development officer for mathematics, was in school on Monday to work in P 2/3 and P3 this week. The children were such a credit to the school, listening well and applying their skills in new contexts.

Assembly focussed on Teamwork this week, one of our school values. All the children in the school learned about working together to make our environment sustainable from our Ministers for Sustainability. They led us on the big plastic hunt on Thursday- finding and collecting all the single-use plastic in school. They will be feeding back to assembly with the results soon.

Our first parent-teacher association meeting was held on Tuesday. It was great to see so many parents in the room and so enthusiastic to move things forward in Fabbeyhill.

Youth Music initiative are working on Tuesday and Wednesday with 4 classes. Primary 5 ukelele playing is coming on beautifully.

For this week's update, I include:

Reminders -

Purpose, Vision, Values and Aims in Abbeyhill School

Expectations - Ready, Respectful & Responsible.

Purpose - The more we learn, the brighter we will shine.

Vision - Abbeyhill, is a welcoming, nurturing, safe and inclusive place for everyone to grow, develop and reach their potential.

Values - Belonging, Creativity, Curiosity, Teamwork & Kindness.

This week I would like to remind you of our agreed aims for Abbeyhill Primary School:

Aims - Nursery

- Our children feel loved and secure in an environment that encourages independence and creativity.
- Our children are encouraged to explore and make choices to develop their learning and interests.
- Encourage an ethos of kindness, respect and equity with every child accepted for their abilities and strengths.
- We value, respect and celebrate diversity and understand wellbeing is important.
- Our children will know their Rights and have the confidence to express their views and opportunities to make a difference.

Aims - Main School

- Every child is accepted for their abilities and strengths.
- Encourage an ethos of kindness, respect and equity.
- We value, respect and celebrate diversity and understand wellbeing is important.
- Our curriculum is creative, stimulating and accessible as we learn in school and beyond.
- Our children will know their Rights and have the confidence to express their views.

• We use mistakes to help us learn and encourage everyone to keep trying.

Uniform - All children should be wearing their school uniform every day. On PE days they can wear leggings/tracksuit bottoms but should always have their school jumper on. False nails/ false eyelashes and make-up should not be worn in school.

Attendance - All children should be in school, in their lines every morning P2/3 - P7- Should be ready, in their line, at 8.50. P1 and P1/2- Should be ready, in their line, at 8.55.

Achievements - Please keep sending achievements from home to school so we can celebrate at assembly.

School Calendar of Events - Check the Calendar for updates. Please note that dates and times may need to be changed. If this is the case, we will give as much notice as possible.

New Items:

Spring Disco - Spaces are available for both events. Reminder to book on Parent Pay if your child would like to come along to the Spring disco on the 21st of March after school.

Ticket information will be coming out today. Primary 1-4 - 4.30 to 5.30 Primary 5-7 - 5.45 to 7.00 P6 will be running a tuck shop- more information to follow. All funds will go towards their P7 Residential costs.

Parent Forum Meeting - We had a great turnout on Tuesday evening for the Parent Forum meeting. We agreed that to ensure the group feels inclusive for all our families moving forward, we will be called The Friends of Abbeyhill.

The information from the meeting will be sent out in a separate e-mail next week.

School Clubs - All Active school clubs finish as of Friday 15th March. Please refer to the booking e-mail for school-run clubs and drama.

NDwell groups for parents and carers with Neurodivergent children - Please see the fliers attached to your weekly e-mail for information sessions.

Kind Regards Moira Robertson