

## Kitchen Canny - Food Waste Workshop



Get Kitchen Canny - a short activity based FREE workshop giving tips to save you £470 per year. Families in the UK throw away £470 on average of food that could have been eaten. Whilst none of us wants to waste money the price of food is going up and it's easy when busy to use up food with a shelf life - all of us do waste at some point!

**Kitchen Canny** offers advice and tips to help you avoid waste in the future from how to store or how to work around fussy eaters. Everybody will get a free pack worth £10 to take home including a tea towel, handy measurers and pasta guides. The session will take place on **Wednesday 1 November** in the **Shared Room** from 9.30am-11.30am. Healthy snacks and refreshments will be available. All ages welcome. To book a FREE space please let **Miss Shepherd** know or get in touch with **Alex Wilson** on 07722808830/ [alex@youcancook.org.uk](mailto:alex@youcancook.org.uk)



## Fundraising



The latest collection of our textile recycling point generated £76.80  
Thank you to everyone who has donated!



Thank you to all the pupils, staff, parents and members of our community who wore jeans on Friday 22 September and donated money - we raised £36.00 to help transform the lives of children affected by life-altering genetic conditions!



Thank you so much to everybody who contributed so generously by bringing in items of food for the Peeblesshire Foodbank during our week of Harvest celebration. 41kg of food was collected which will help families in crisis across Peeblesshire. Peeblesshire Foodbank have been in touch to express their thanks and have stated that they are currently experiencing an increased demand of 4-6 referrals per week, so this extra food is very much appreciated.



Thank you to everyone who collected Active Kids vouchers, we were able to order skipping ropes, speed hurdles, bean bags, target balls and tennis balls!

## Walkerburn Primary School



## November News 2017

### Dates for your Diary - October/November



- Fri 27 Oct PEEP Group (Creative Play) - 11.30am-12.15pm (Shared Room)  
Mon 30 Oct - 2 Nov Scottish School Meals Week  
Tues 31 Oct Halloween Party - Nursery (am)/P1-7 (pm)  
Weds 1 Nov Kitchen Canny - 9.30am-11.30am  
Fri 3 Nov PEEP Group (Sharing Books with Babies) - 11.30am-12.15pm  
Tues 7 Nov Childsmile Varnish Application  
Tues 7 Nov Nursery Parents' Night (PM)  
Weds 8 Nov Joint Remembrance Service with St Ronan's Primary  
Weds 8 Nov Parents' Night - 3.30pm-6pm  
Thurs 9 Nov INSET - SCHOOL CLOSED FOR PUPILS  
Fri 10 Nov INSET - SCHOOL CLOSED FOR PUPILS  
Fri 17 Nov and Fri 24 Nov Gymnastics sessions at St Ronan's (P1-7)  
Fri 17 Nov - Fri 8 Dec Cooking Club - 12.30pm-1.45pm  
Tues 21 Nov P1 + P7 National Dental Screening  
Thurs 23 Nov NO Sticky Fingers  
Thurs 23 Nov Parent Council Christmas Shopping Night - 6.30pm-8.30pm  
Fri 24 Nov PEEP Group (Music Session) - 11.30am-12.15pm  
**ST ANDREW'S DAY HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED**  
Mon 27 Nov Readalicious at the Eastgate Theatre - P1-4  
Tues 28 Nov Mobile Library  
Thurs 30 Nov



**P.E.** is every Monday and Friday - please bring your P.E. kit

**Games Club** - Mondays

**Walkerburn Baby and Toddlers' Group** - Wednesdays, 9.30am

**Tuesday Club** - Tuesdays

**Sticky Fingers** - Thursdays

## News from Nursery



The nursery children have been very busy learning about dinosaurs and they created a dinosaur swamp and cave which they all had great fun exploring! The Mobile Library now comes on a regular basis and the children have been enjoying visits to it and choosing books to take home. Joining the rest of the school, parents, grandparents and members of the community for the recent Harvest celebration and lunch was a great experience for the children. We have been developing

the indoor and outdoor areas of the Nursery, creating more space and opportunities for the children's learning and we are looking forward to receiving some new equipment that will help us progress this even further. Many thanks to everybody who donated to our 'mud kitchen', we now have enough pots, pans and kitchen utensils but if anybody has any **small wooden crates** or **wicker baskets** that are no longer required we would gratefully receive those in order to develop a more 'natural' setting for the children.

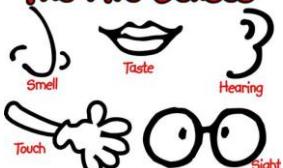
## News from P1-4



In the Primary 1-4 classroom we have been very busy making our reading more fun! We are learning how to share our enjoyment for reading with others and find new and exciting ways of improving our learning experiences. We have welcomed **Jeffrey the Giraffe** into our reading time. He helps us talk about what we have learnt! We have begun to wind down our topic on '**My Senses**' and we are looking forward to a new topic of '**Rainforests**' which we are very excited about! Having looked at all our learning for the '**My Senses**' topic, we have realised

how much we have already managed to cram in, 1 2 3 4 5 in just a few short weeks! We know how our eyes work, what our taste buds are for and we 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 even had a go at exploring different foods that had a sour, bitter, sweet and salty taste to them! In our Numeracy, we have been looking at the value of numbers. Our new P1s are very clever and are already writing and counting their numbers up to twenty! Next we are all going to learn how to do addition and subtraction! We are also going to work with money so remember to let us help you count when you go to the shop or supermarket!

### **The Five Senses**



1 2 3 4 5  
6 7 8 9  
10 11 12  
13 14 15  
16 17 18  
19 20



## News from P5-7

 Our topic on the '**Romans**' is a little behind so our plan is to continue with it until the November INSET days. Our next project will be looking at '**Electrical Circuits**'. During the past month we have

been practising our rugby skills with Mr Blair and learning ukulele with Mrs Borthwick. New reading initiatives have been added to our classroom routines and we are also programming robots (BeeBots).



## Mobile Library



The **Mobile Library Van** will visit this month on **Thursday 9 and 30 November**. As **9 November** is an **INSET** day and school will be closed to pupils please could parents ensure that books are returned to school by **Wednesday 8 November**.

## Halloween Parties



The **Nursery** Halloween party will take place on the morning of **Tuesday 31 October**. Please come in fancy dress if you would like to. **P1-7** will be having their Halloween party in the afternoon of that day and children can come to school dressed in a costume if they would like to dress up.



## Parent Council - Christmas Shopping Night

This year's **Christmas Shopping Night** will be held on **Thursday 23 November** from **6.30pm-8.30pm**. We have a wide variety of stalls that range from Usborne Books, Soap Matters, handmade cards, crafts, knitted items and much much more! Tickets cost **£2** which will include tea/coffee and a mince pie. There will also be a **cake and candy stall**, and **raffle** held so any **donations of home baking** and/or **prizes** would be gratefully received.



## NHS Flu Campaign



The annual flu vaccine helps protect against the strains of flu virus that are likely to be circulating each winter flu season, which lasts from October to March. **The free flu vaccine is offered to all children in Scotland aged 2-5 years (and not yet in school) at their GP practice.** Find out more about the childhood vaccine and its benefits here: <http://www.immunisationscotland.org.uk/flu>