



### Summer Garden Club

Garden Club will be running throughout the summer holidays for the children to come and pick the harvests and sow more seeds! Children will be welcome to attend with an adult. More details to follow.



### Fundraising

Thank you to everyone who supported the Parent Council's recent Bunny Drive. £107 was raised on the night and great fun was had by all who took part. Winners were - Primary: Tiegan, High School: Harris, Adult: T Cassidy, Best Dressed Bunnies: Esme and Jura.



Thank you to everyone who supported **Wear a Hat Day** we had a vast array of fabulous hats on the day! We raised £48.48 which will help the charity **Brain Tumour Research** find a cure for brain tumours. This charity is the only national charity in the UK that is purely dedicated to raising funds for continuous and sustainable scientific research into brain tumours. Well done!



### Bug Busting

Head lice are a common problem and despite everyone's best efforts they do recur. Please check your child's hair regularly with a special detection comb. For more information on head lice please speak to your doctor/pharmacy or visit [www.nits.net/bugbusting](http://www.nits.net/bugbusting).



### Parentzone Scotland

<https://education.gov.scot/parentzone> - Parentzone Scotland is a unique website for parents and carers in Scotland, from early years to beyond school, that provides up-to-date information about learning in Scotland, practical advice and ideas to support children's learning at home in Literacy, Numeracy, Health and Wellbeing and Science, and additional support needs.



# Walkerburn Primary School



## News 2018

### Dates for your Diary - May



- Weds 2 May Swimming - P5-7
- Thurs 3 May Childsmile fluoride varnish application
- Thurs 3 May Team Games Night @ St Ronan's Primary
- Fri 4 May **INSET - SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS**
- Mon 7 May **HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED**
- Tues 8 May **ALL RESUME**
- Tues 8 May - Fri 11 May Rookie Rockstars @ St Ronan's Primary (P1-7)
- Weds 9 May Swimming - P5-7
- Sat 12 May Festival Coffee Morning @ Village Hall
- Tues 15 May **NO Tuesday Club**
- Weds 16 May Swimming - P5-7
- Thurs 17 May Mobile library
- Thurs 17 May Rookie Rockstars performance @ St. Ronan's, 6.30pm
- Fri 18 May Nursery @ St Ronan's Forest Trail (every Fri until further notice)
- Sun 20 May Selling ducks @ Innerleithen Co-op, 11am-2pm
- Mon 21 May - Fri 25 May **Walk to School Week**
- Weds 23 May Swimming - P5-7 (final session)
- Weds 23 May County Sports, 6-8.30pm, Whitestone Park, Peebles
- Fri 25 May Duck Race on the Tweed - 1pm
- Sat 26 May Walkerburn Rugby 7s

**Festival Concert - Mon 25 June - 7pm (leaving school @ 6.30pm)**  
**Festival/School Sports - Weds 27 June - 10.45am**



- ✓ Swimming costume/trunks/hair bauble for P5-7 swimming
- ✓ Tuesday Club - Tuesdays, 3.15pm-4.15pm
- ✓ Garden Club - Wednesdays, 3.15pm-4.00pm
- ✓ Sticky Fingers - Thursday, 3.15pm-4.30pm



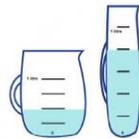
## News from Nursery

The Nursery has said a big hello to Callum who joined us after the Easter holidays! The children have had an investigation table where they experimented with magnets, finding out what kind of items stuck to them. They discovered that pine cones and plastic didn't stick because "It's not metal". They have also enjoyed exercising and dancing in the Gym Hall to 'Sticky Kids' and playing with the hoops and balls. Mrs Aird brought in some tadpoles so we are going to find out how to look after them and what happens as they grow. The children are also doing lots of activities with numbers and shapes, learning lots about them while having fun!



## News from P1-4

Spring has sprung and we are finally starting to see some of the more cheery weather (once in a while at least!). This means that P1-4 will be venturing outside for a number of reasons this term! Our **IDL** topic is a local study of **Walkerburn** and we will be looking at what's in the village as well as what it has to offer! We will be exploring, sketching and even be taken on a tour by the P5-7 class! In our **Numeracy** we have already started work on estimating and rounding as well as looking at how to measure length, weight and capacity! Look out for some home learning opportunities on this task! In our **Writing**, we are story writing (narrative), and will be



exploring Walkerburn as a setting for our writing inspiration. We hope to develop our **WOW** word vocabulary and come up with as many interesting describing words as possible. For our **Health and Wellbeing** topic we are looking at skills and attributes. What special talents are in the family? If there is anything 'out there' we would love to hear about it!



## News from P5-7



Just before the holiday we went on a trip to **New Lanark**. The children got to experience first-hand, some of the noises and smells of industrial machinery at work, and saw how people lived in a mill environment. This trip ended our topic on Henry Ballantyne....but the knowledge from it also leads nicely into our next topic on **Local Tourism**. We plan to get out and about a lot for this topic, so let's hope that the weather will improve! We have already started having swimming lessons at the pool in Galashiels. Over the six week period we hope to improve our water skills and gain greater confidence whilst in the water. The plants which we planted in front of the school have turned into a colourful display to greet visitors to the school. We have also been in the garden to see how our cuttings have grown and to help plant vegetables for the summer.



## Duck Race - Friday 25 May from 1pm



Following last year's very successful **Duck Race on the Tweed** we are going to do it all again and we will be looking for parents to lend a hand with the following to help make this year's just as successful!

- Ducks will be on sale in **Innerleithen Co-op** on **Sunday 20 May** between **11am-2pm** - volunteers required to sell ducks.
- Ducks will need to be sorted/counted.
- Adult volunteers will be needed to help in the water to catch/stop ducks

Please let **Miss Shepherd** know if you are able to help in any way. **All children during the Duck Race must be accompanied by an adult please.** Thank you.

## Mobile Library



The Mobile Library Van's next visit will be **Thursday 17 May** with its final visit for this session on **Thursday 7 June**. Please ensure that if your child has borrowed a book that it is returned to the Van by that final visit.