

Head Teacher's Blog

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What a week!

It is exactly a year today that I took on the role of Acting Head Teacher, so it seemed right that this should be the time to start my own Head Teacher's blog. I could not have picked a busier week to share with you.

It started on Wednesday with our first Language Tree workshop for parents, carers and their children. Thanks to the support of our new EAL staff and Ms Vacher at least 40 families joined us to make a language leaf for our trees and to share with us their ideas to embed and promote diversity within the school in the future. The next time you are in school please stop and take a look at the trees.

Primary 6 took part in Games at the Hub with the support of Mr Ingilis. All of our children took part demonstrating great sportsmanship and team spirit. For the second year in a row we brought home the swimming trophy. Well done to everyone that took part.

Wednesday night we welcomed our Primary 7 parents and carers to the end of year show. It was a great night full of songs, dancing and humour. Personally my favourite moment was the mash up at the end of the show. They were a great choice of songs P7!

Friday was the first day of our new elective activities. All the teachers shared with the children one of their own interests which the children



elected to learn about. Over the next 5 `Friday's they will go into their elective groups and learn some new skills. These included; Gaelic Football with Mr Horan, Dance with Ms Clark, Coding with Ms Stewart and many more.

We welcomed families to the second coffee morning of the term in the nursery. I managed to pop down to enjoy some lovely home baking and chat with nurse staff and parents. I am looking forward to the next coffee morning before the end of term.

We started our participation in the Edinburgh Marathon Festival on Thursday with a group photograph of our 118 children and 2 staff runners. It took a while to get everyone to look at the camera but it was worth it! Then on Friday we had a visit from Project Africa and two of their Marathon Runners, Caroline and Joel. They shared with us what their farming life is like in Africa and how running has been a dream that with the help of Project Africa they are fulfilling.

Saturday was run day and what a day it turned out to be! The determination and endurance of all our runners made for a very successful day. I could not be more proud of all our runners, children and adults. They were the inspiration that got me through my 5k race. Well done everyone, including anyone who ran, came along to cheer or helped to organise the day. Congratulations to Mr Horan who ran his first half marathon. Lastly I have to give a special mention to Sandra Bagnall and Catriona Scott for organising our school team, thank you!

So what a week it has been! A great example of our Broughton Community working together and celebrating great achievements. Next week plans to be equally as busy. It is health week at Broughton. I look forward to sharing with you some of the activities and learning that will have taken place.

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