



Autumn Term Newsletter

15th August 2014

Skipness Primary School

Head Teacher's Corner

It has been fantastic to welcome of all the children back this term. They all arrived on Wednesday very excited about the new school year and slightly taller. I am very excited about all of the activities which we have planned for the children this year. The first of which will be a Coffee Morning for MacMillan Nurses. On this day we will also be showcasing what the children have learnt so far!

At Skipness, we will be continuing with our Shared Learning days with Clachan. This will start on Tuesday 19th of August with the children being collected the same way as before.

Please be aware that there is an extra In-service Day for the teachers. Therefore there will be no school for the children on Friday 26th of September.

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Events

August
19th – Teeth brushing talk for children

September
25th – Macmillan Coffee Morning and Open Morning
26th – School Closed

Class News

On Wednesday the children had a lot of fun with Mrs Elkin. As well as writing a poem using rhyming couplets for the school newsletter, the children also made an amazing discovery on the playground. They found a family of caterpillars who had eaten away some of the leaves of the willow tunnel. At present we are still on the look out for the cocoon!

On Thursday the children had their first music lesson with Mrs McIntosh. They really enjoyed learning the Happy Sun High song, as well as making up their own actions and verses for it.

The children also helped Mrs McIntosh to create a school calendar that will be distributed to you as soon as possible.

The children were very excited to have Mrs Hart back teaching them at Skipness. They worked really hard writing about their holidays and showing off their great mathematical skills.

School Term Dates 2014-2015

Autumn Term

13th August – 19th December

26th September – Staff In-service Day

6th October – 17th October – Half Term Holiday

13th and 14th November – Staff In-service Days

Spring Term

5th January – 2nd April

13th February – 17th February – Half Term Holiday

17th February – Staff In-service Day

Summer Term

20th April – 26th June

4th May – No School

25th May – Staff In-service Day



Head Teacher's Award

Each week the children and staff from Clachan and Skipness Primary Schools are asked to be detectives for Mrs McIntosh. They are looking for people in the schools who show exemplary citizenship skills. These people are then written in to our Golden Book by the nominees. Every Tuesday Mrs McIntosh will then choose who she feels has gone above and beyond what is expected of them. They will then be given the Head Teacher's Award.