Dear Parents / Carers

Once again Term 3 has proven to be an extremely busy time so far. In their Science topic, the pupils are enjoying learning about the biodiversity, interdependence and the ever changing diversity of living things in their science topic.

The Primary 1, 4 and 7 pupils have undergone the SNSA (details in the last newsletter). This all went smoothly. All pupils have also undergone a range of standardized assessments which help to inform the school of the progress of our pupils and allows us to plan the next steps in learning. Standardized assessments are just one of the ‘tools’ we use to do this, along with ongoing formative assessment on a daily and weekly basis.

Primary 7 pupils have been working very hard on a number of tasks set for them by Biggar High School as part of the transition. This will all come together next week when they finally go on their three day visit - they are all very excited about this with a little bit of apprehension in there too.

The pupils, staff and parent helpers have also been working very hard getting the school ready for the Official Opening - I can assure you that you are all in for a real treat. I am looking forward to showcasing the very best of Auchengray!

Carol Pennock

Head Teacher Update

Dates for your diary

**May**

- **Friday 25th & Monday 28th May** School Closed
- **Tuesday 29th May**
  - School reopens 9am
  - P7 Transition Day 1 BHS
- **Wednesday 30th May**
  - P7 Transition Day 2 BHS
- **Thursday 31st May**
  - P7 Transition Day 3 BHS

**June**

- **Friday 1st June**
  - Official Opening—1.30pm
- **Monday 4th June**
  - Lunch Sports Club P1-3
  - Reports issued*
- **Tuesday 5th June**
  - New P1 visit, 9.30 - 10.45am
  - P1-3 Lunchtime Club
- **Wednesday 6th June**
  - P7 visit to Biggar Youth Project
- **Thursday 7th June**
  - New P1 visit, 10.30 - 12.30 (including lunch)
- **Monday 11th June**
  - Lunch Sports Club P1-3
- **Tuesday 12th June**
  - P1-3 lunchtime club
- **Tuesday 19th June**
  - P4-7 Lunchtime Club
- **Thursday 21st June**
  - 11am, School Leavers Assembly
  - 2pm, Family Sports
  - 3pm, Afternoon Tea
- **Tuesday 26th June**
  - P4-7 Lunchtime Club
- **Thursday 28th June**
  - School closes at 1pm

* This was previously advertised incorrectly as Thursday 24th June.

Primary 4 - 7 Football Festival

Well Done to our Primary 4 to 7 pupils on coming 3rd in the recent football festival at Lanark racecourse. This is a tremendous achievement considering the small number of pupils we have compared to other schools taking part. We are all super proud of them.

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**School Improvement**

Can you spare 3 or 4 hours per year?
Would you like to be involved in developing the direction of the school?
If the answer is YES
Please consider being part of our

**School Improvement Group**

To find out more, please come along to an informal meeting at the school on **Thursday 7th June 2018 at 2.30pm.** If you would like to be involved but are not able to come to the meeting, please get in touch and I will fill you in with all the details.

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**Official Opening of Auchengray Primary School**

As you are well aware, the official opening of the school will take place on Friday June 1st 2018 at 1.30pm. Along with the ‘official’ guests, each family has received an invitation for 2 family members. Unfortunately we have had to restrict the numbers due to space. However, extended members of the family will not miss out. We intend to incorporate parts of the opening service into our Leavers’ Assembly on Thursday June 21st. All members of the school and wider community are invited to wish the pupils moving on in their education, good luck in their journey.

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**Parent Council News**

**Saturday 16th June - WATIF Fun Day**
The Parent Council will be having a fund-raising stall. This could be a tombola / raffle etc. If anyone has a fabulous idea for fundraising then please let Moria Marshall know. Either way, we would appreciate any prize donations!
So it’s time to go raid those cupboards again!
If you have any prizes to donate, please send them to school.

**Thursday 21st June - Sports Afternoon**
The Parent Council will be providing afternoon tea in the gym hall from 3 pm onwards (the Wee Church Community Cafe is closed that day). We would be grateful if parents could make a donation for the afternoon, whether it’s a plate of sandwiches or a small selection of cakes, anything would be greatly appreciated!

**Next meeting: Wednesday 19th September 2018 at 7pm**

If you can spare an hour or so a term, please come along and support your Parent Council in the valuable work they do.

Chairperson: Moria Marshall, Secretary: Susan Peter, Treasurer: Stuart Crighton
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