THE HIGH SCHOOL
of Glasgow

Kindergarten News

January 2012

Welcome back after the Christmas break. We hope that you and your family had a lovely holiday and are all ready for the busy term ahead.

What have we been learning?

Animals

Last term, we were very excited when our group 'dogs' arrived. We now have 5 'dogs' in Kindergarten: Belle, Scruffy, Sparkle, Tom and Ruby. We then had a visit from a real Vet (Jack's Mummy), who showed us how to carry out an examination on a real dog. We loved role playing at 'Vets' and helped lots of 'sick animals' recover.

Castles

We started our topic on Castles and very quickly the children became interested in playing with knights, castles and princesses. We enjoyed discussing how people used to live, especially how they travelled before cars! We turned the climbing frame into a castle by printing the castle walls, and really enjoyed making our own shields.

Christmas

We had so much fun in the run up to Christmas! We listened to lots of stories to help us understand why Christmas is an important time of year for Christians. We decorated our tree, dressed up as Santa, learned all the songs for our Christmas Sing-Along, made Christmas cards, and even met Santa!

What are we going to be learning?

Literacy and Numeracy

In Literacy, we are going to be focusing on paying attention when listening, which will involve lots of fun memory games. In Mathematics, we will be focusing on finding numbers 'before' and numbers 'after'.

Road Safety

In January, we will be focusing on Road Safety. We will be meeting Ziggy the Alien who has come to Planet Earth to find out all about keeping safe.

What else is happening this term?

So you can plan ahead, here is some important information about key events that will be happening in the Kindergarten between now and the end of term.

Trips: Parent Helpers Needed

In February and March, we have two trips planned and we need 3 parents for each trip. If you are available, please let us know as soon as possible.

Riverside Museum	Kelvingrove Art Gallery
Group A: Wednesday 1st February	Group A: Tuesday 6th March
Group B: Monday 6th February	Group B: Wednesday7th March
Group C: Wednesday 8th February	Group C: Thursday 8th March

Art Gallery Enterprise

On **Friday 23rd March at 11am**, we will be opening our doors to parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles, to showcase the children's art work. This is an enterprise event to raise money for a charity of the children's choice. The children plan the Gallery, create the artwork, prepare the invitations and tickets, serve the drinks and food, and act as guides on the day. We hope that by giving you advance notice, as many parents as possible will be able to attend.

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 1st February	Group A: Riverside Museum
Friday 3rd February	Fire Fighters Visit Kindergarten
Monday 6th February	Group B: Riverside Museum
Wednesday 8th February	Group C: Riverside Museum
Monday 13th – Friday 17th February	Half-term Holiday
Tuesday 6th March	Group A: Kelvingrove Art Gallery
Wednesday 7th March	Group B: Kelvingrove Art Gallery
Thursday 8th March	Group C: Kelvingrove Art Gallery.
Friday 23rd March	Art Gallery Enterprise
Wednesday 28th March	Term Ends
Monday 16th April	Term Begins