



Newsletter Friday 6th October 2017 @TowerbankPS www.towerbankprimary.wordpress.com

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News from Parent Council and PSA

At week's AGM, those present voted unanimously to dissolve the PSA. This means the Parent Council and PSA are now the Towerbank Parent Group. It was great to see so many people at what was a very positive, constructive meeting. More detail and discussion about the structure of the group and office bearers will follow. We will let everyone know how the group will work and how you can get involved. Thanks everyone who has volunteered or got involved over the last year. Looking forward to working with you as part of the new group.

Towerbank Parent Group



One Saturday during the Party Art Walk me, Merryn and Katie did a bake sale raising money for the WWF (World Wildlife Fund). We raised £70.16! We made cupcakes, Victoria sponge, waffles, rocky road, apple pastries and lots, lots more. Everyone said the cakes were really tasty and then they went in to see my mum's art!

Rebecca, Merryn P5 and Katie P4

Council Consultation on School Dates

The council are gathering the views of parents/carers, pupils and staff on future school session dates for 2019/20 and beyond.

We have devised a questionnaire about the timing of school holidays and how the school year should look in future. Parents and staff have contributed to the wording of the questions. The questionnaire should only take a few minutes to complete.

The link to the survey is:

<http://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/schhol>



We have been learning about the Jacobites in P6. One of our homework tasks was to create something that we have learnt about so far and we decided to make some weapons that they used to use during battle.

Leonardo, Fraser and Isaac

At the weekend I had the idea to sell some of my toys for charity. I sold them outside my house and I got £40. I then went to Asda with my mum and we bought lots of different foods that wouldn't waste. We took them to the Portobello foodbank. Federico P3

For one of my Home Learning activities I had to make something. I decided to make a volcano. I then had the idea that I could make it erupt. I used baking powder, vinegar and washing up liquid. I showed it to the class and Mr Friend. Leo P3



The P3 Big Band

We made fantastic musical instruments and they were epic. We then made a band called The P3B Big Band. We have talked about and played our instruments lots in class and we even took them to show Miss Finlay.



This month's challenge is below and it is aimed at younger pupils. However, they may need some help. Why not support your buddy and make a joint entry

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Monthly Maths Challenge

One cold, autumn morning, Old MacDonald and his sheep-dog, Bruno, walk into the barn on the farm.

Inside there are:

- 5 cows
- 3 sheep
- 2 hens
- 1 horse
- and a spider who has made its home in the corner.

Old MacDonald says, "Before winter, I am going to knit woolly socks for every animal and creature in this barn!"

How many socks will Old MacDonald need to knit altogether?



Get your entries in before
winter!
Entries close on
Friday 27th October

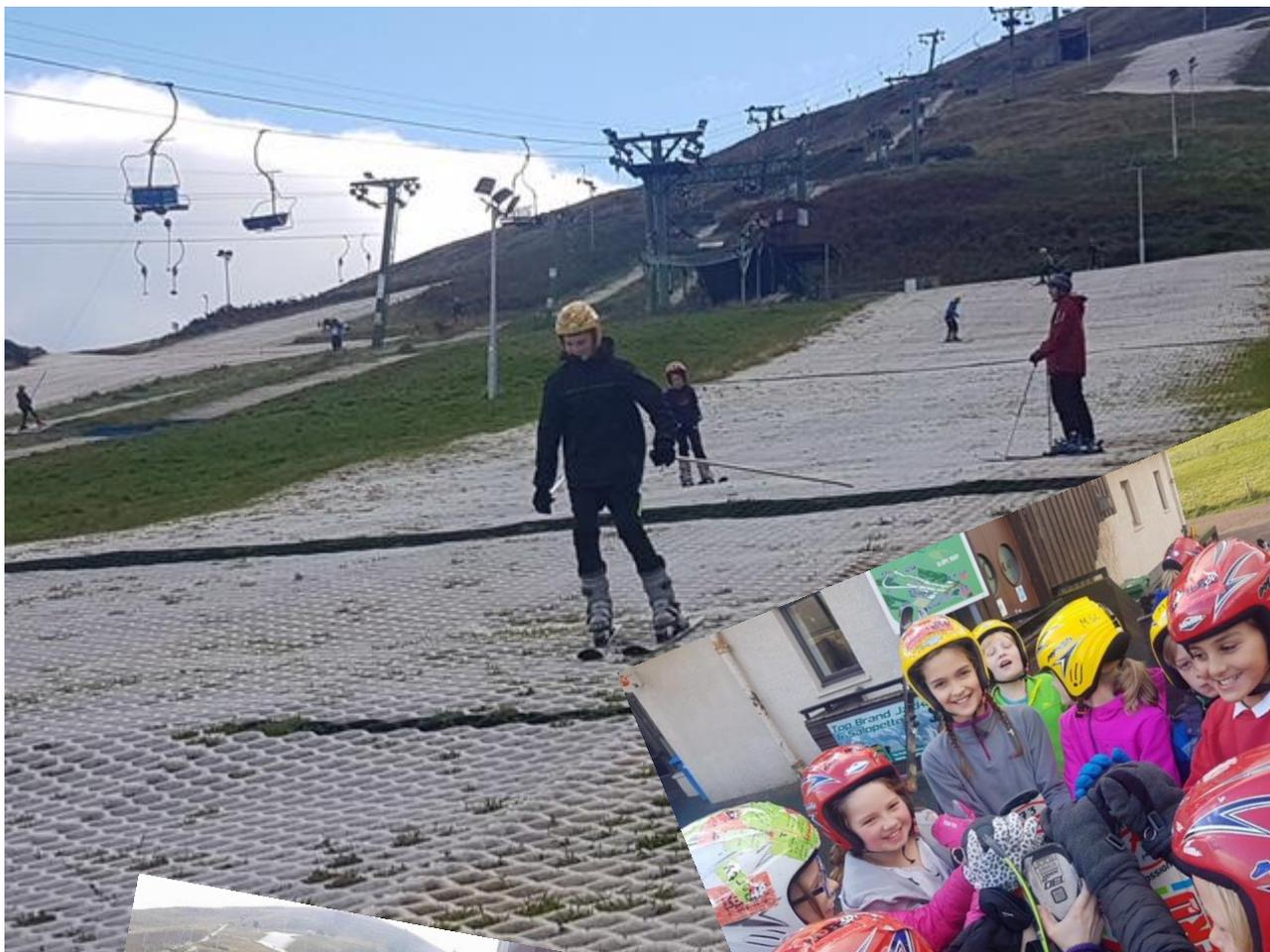
Football at Towerbank

The lack of any football teams for boys or girls at Towerbank was raised by a couple of parents at last week's consultations.

In the majority of schools parents and carers run school football training and clubs both after school and on Saturdays.

I wonder if there is any interest in having a meeting to see who and how this might happen at Towerbank Primary?

If you would be interested in helping can you please email Mr Friend at alasdair.friend@towerbank.edin.sch.uk



Hillend Ski lessons

The first block of 8 weeks of lessons at Hillend come to an end next week. Well done to all the 60 children who have taken part and been resilient when faced with the challenges! Particular thanks to the 4 staff who have volunteered to take the group each week. Without their enthusiasm and hard work these opportunities could not happen.

The next block of lessons for another 30 children starts on 26th October.