



Newsletter Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2020 @TowerbankPS  
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## Sol's Musical Instruments

Many thanks to the support and generosity of the Towerbank Family. Together we have now raised £4844.25

ParentPay Donations = £1,201

Non Uniform Day = £1,643.25

School fund £2000

This exceeds the amount needed for the 4 instruments. Towerbank Parent Group will continue with a bake sale and we hope now be able to order another instrument for the playground to make 5 in total.



On Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> February the Towerbank Titans played cricket against East Lothian for the first time. This week Rory was captain and won the bat spin. Indiana and Hamish made some great catches, our bowling has improved lots and overall it was a great game ending in a draw. Harry P6

Go on a virtual tour of Towerbank - <https://poly.google.com/view/4rFUqi2Ap7r>

Mr Crooks and Ms Nelson are visiting our link school in Tanzania over the February holiday.

The P7 children have had a huge say in this and provide scene narration for each part of the tour.

Please use the settings button found in the top right of the screen (next to full screen option) to activate the scene narration. It's much better this way

We hope to have a Tanzania version of the school we visit in the coming weeks, where TB children will be able to experience this through the use of a VR headset.

# Coronavirus

Given the continued media coverage it is only natural that children may be curious about what they are seeing and hearing about the coronavirus.

When questions are asked, we think it's important that we do what we can to address some of the worrying and unhelpful myths that have arisen around the virus, either in the media or within the playground. One of this week's episodes of CBBC's Newsround featured a short myth-busting film which is helpful in addressing some of these myths. You can access this film at the following link. (<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/51393288>).

One of the myths raised in this film is that *"all people from China or who have visited China will carry the coronavirus."* This is not true and, if this isn't addressed with children, it can leave members of our community feeling isolated and stigmatised.

Please support us in addressing these myths as and when you come across them over the coming weeks.



P2 following maps of famous landmarks around Edinburgh.



At the weekend, we had our Tap Exam and we performed lots of dance routines. We all passed and we achieved a silver medal. We feel happy and proud of ourselves. Mia, Isobel, Nell and Orla P2



Eva Bryant in P2 completed a 5k fun run at Archerfield last Saturday 2nd. She completed the course in a time of 51 minutes.



On Sunday, I ran 5K with my Mum and we got rainbow medals. It was really hard but I did it and now I feel amazing! Eva P2

Hibs Football club have offered us the chance to raise some money for the school while buying tickets to see the team playing. It works by using a link which is unique to Towerbank where the club can track sales, and give us back a percentage of what has been spent.

*In our exciting new initiative "Hibs Give Back", Hibernian Football Club are offering parents, friends and family the chance to treat themselves to a fun filled day out at Hibernian v Livingston on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> February and, in return, the Club will refund 50% of their net purchase direct to their child's school.*

*It's easy to purchase tickets via our website by clicking on the unique link for **Towerbank Primary School** below:*

<https://www.eticketing.co.uk/hibernianfc/EDP/Event/Index/2648?grouppref=1014&digest=9f4d2f69b1fdad329a62dc303d1de034e29b435b09eac46c8647d5045d0ff8d5>

*On clicking the link, you will be prompted to sign in to the Hibernian E-Ticketing site. If you are an existing user, please sign in with your normal details. Any new visitors to Easter Road should register as a new user. Once logged on, you can purchase your tickets for the Livingston match.*

*Please note, you must purchase your tickets via the link above to enable the club to track the sales to your child's school and make our fundraising pledge. Hibs Football Club*

Many thanks

Towerbank Parent Group

## **Tower bank Parent Group**

**Bikeability:** The TPG Bikeability team are looking to offer a level 2 course for P5s in the summer term. To deliver the course to the whole year group we need more qualified helpers. You would need to be able to ride a bike, help on Friday mornings and have completed a Bikeability training course. The following links are to training courses that are currently planned in the Edinburgh/Mussleburgh area. There are a group of Towerbank parents currently trying to organise dates for a course in Porty. If you do want to volunteer to help with Bikeability please email James on [towerbankbikeability@gmail.com](mailto:towerbankbikeability@gmail.com).

21 February: <https://www.cyclinghub.scot/class-details/5797>

28 February: <https://www.cyclinghub.scot/class-details/5798>

14 March: <https://www.cyclinghub.scot/class-details/5836>

20 & 27 March: <https://www.cyclinghub.scot/class-details/5606>

### Dates for your diary:

- **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February:** Clothes swap fundraiser, 7-9pm Bellfield. It is a £10 donation and the money raised will go to the school. Please RSVP to Lisa on 07531201031 so they can keep track of numbers.
- **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March:** 50p Friday/ Bake sale
- **Every Friday:** Tidy Fridays in the Library. If you'd like to find out more, drop into the library on Friday morning or email the Library group at [towerbanklibrarygroup@gmail.com](mailto:towerbanklibrarygroup@gmail.com).

You can keep up to date with all TPG meetings and dates, as well as information about sub-groups, parent-run activities and fundraising by checking out the new TPG website: <https://towerbankparentgroup.wordpress.com/>.

If you need volunteers or have key dates you would like included in the TPG's weekly update, please email [Alisonapayne@gmail.com](mailto:Alisonapayne@gmail.com)

### **Recommended Read from Mr Rand**

*The Day Louis Got Eaten*  
by John Fardell

The story begins when Louis is unexpectedly gobbled up by a Gulper. Aware – as I am sure we all are – that Gulpers swallow their food whole, Louis' big sister makes it her duty to rescue him. Throughout the adventure you will meet unusual creatures with wonderful names whilst watching Sarah, Louis' sister, redesign and adapt her bike to deal with all terrains. John Fardell is both the author and illustrator, allowing him to tell much of the story through the superbly detailed drawings. As a result, the book is a lovely one to read together, with each page containing interesting things to point out to one another.

We have loved this book in our house and we would recommend it to anyone between 3-7 years old.

