



Newsletter Friday 15th March 2019 @TowerbankPS www.towerbankprimary.wordpress.com

The Towerbank Parent Group is always keen to hear any great ideas that you have for the school, and a great opportunity to talk about them is our **Big Ideas Meeting**, on Thursday 21st March at 6.30 in the dining hall.

This is the third year we've run it, and in previous years, suggestions made at the meeting have been taken on by the school. Examples include the Christmas Lyceum trip, the change of venue and ethos around sports day, and buying a stage for the gym for performances.

We work in small groups and then share the ideas that people have come up with, and these are then considered by the school.

It's a fun, thought-provoking evening where you can raise any ideas, and potentially shape the future direction and priorities of the school.

The Towerbank Parent Group is for all of you so we would love to see you there.

The Towerbank Parent Group



On Sunday I did a 5km trail run organized by Scurry Events at Corstorphine Hill. It was very muddy, hilly and wet. I was the only girl in the Junior Category. Leyla P7

Last Sunday I was nominated for a gymnastics award and I got this medal. I felt happy and proud. Grace McCartney P2





Primary 6c have built a 7 story Bug Hotel to support biodiversity in their Outdoor Classroom. Each floor will be cared for by a different year group as part of our Learning for Sustainability work across the school.

Sadie, Cameron H, Sandy and Oscar took part in eight cross country running competitions in the Borders from October till March. They raced in Lauder, Dunbar, Peebles, Spittle, Paxton, Hawick, Chirside and Galashiels. There is a point system and you receive a certain amount of points for the position you come in. Sadie came second overall in the girls competition. Well done to everyone who took part.



TASC Easter holiday club

There are still a few spaces left at the TASC Easter holiday club - you can access the full programme here <http://tasc.towerbank.org.uk/easter-holidays-program-is-out/>

For more information contact us on 07796597976 or tasc49@gmail.com



P4B made these Cat in the Hat pictures for World Book Day. Mrs Hambelton challenged us to get them into an array with equal rows. Logan worked out we would need 3 rows of 11 pictures for our class because $3 \times 11 = 33$.

School Streets



Reminder that Towerbank is a School Streets School

The streets around Towerbank are closed at these times to vehicles.

8.20 to 9.10 am and 3.00 to 3.40pm Monday to Thursday
8.20 to 9.10 am and 12.10 to 12.35 Fridays

Only a very few vehicles are allowed to drive at this time - local residents with a permit, blue badge holders and emergency vehicles.

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Help needed:

- **Library Volunteers:** The library team is looking for 8-10 people on Friday 15 March (9-12.20) & Saturday 16 March (9.30-2pm) to help with barcoding, stickering and preparing books for cataloguing. If you can help, even just for part of one of the sessions, please email towerbanklibrarygroup@gmail.com.
- **Playspace lead needed:** Jo MacDonald is stepping down as Playspace lead and is looking for someone else to get involved. There is a core group of people who currently do various bits of work in the playground and wildlife garden who will continue to volunteer their time and energy. Jo would be more than happy to support anyone who is interested in getting involved. Please email jsurcouf@hotmail.com or grab Jo in the playground to find out what's involved.

Dates for your diary:

- **Friday 15 March 9-12.20 & Saturday 16 March 9.30-2pm** – Library volunteering.
- **Thursday 21 March at 6.30-8pm - TPG's Big Ideas Session:** This is the chance for parents to come up with their ideas and thoughts on how the school could improve. This is the third

year it's been running, and many of the ideas which were brought up in previous years have been followed through by the school. If you can, please come along.

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

World Book Day

P3 and P7 celebrated World Book Day by getting together with our Buddies and sharing our favourite books. We then got the chance to design a new cover for our favourite book and write our own blurb.

Portobello Our Community

Our P3 topic has been Portobello Our Community. We wrote about our favourite shops and places in Portobello and made models of them.

Izzy and Nalin P3a





TOWERBANK TIGERS



The Towerbank Tigers have been busy this week. On Tuesday the P5s played against Loretto and enjoyed the hospitality of the Musselburgh school and the challenge of playing such a competitive team. There was one win out of the four games and we are looking forward to playing them again. On Saturday many of the girls went to the Oriam at Heriot Watt University to watch a professional netball match with Strathclyde Sirens playing the London team, Saracens Mavericks. It was fast moving, exciting game and the girls had chance to meet the players after the match.



On Sunday the 10th of March I competed in a disco freestyle dance competition in Glasgow. I was awarded 2nd place in my solo routine, where I was against 30 other 10 and 11 year old children. On Sunday it was my second time dancing in my new, more difficult dance section for my slow routine. I was against 19 others and I received a 3rd place for my performance. Overall, the competition was very enjoyable, exciting and I'm extremely happy with the successful outcome.
Orla P7



All this week P6 have been at Lagganlia – have a look at the blog on the school website.

<https://towerbankprimary.wordpress.com/outdoor-learning-2/>

