



Newsletter Friday 15th December 2017 @TowerbankPS www.towerbankprimary.wordpress.com

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Towerbank has now been awarded RoC status – the first step on becoming a Rights Respecting School.

Many thanks to the team of children and staff who have been working on this.

RECOGNITION OF COMMITMENT

Lyceum

The whole school from P1 to P7 went to the Lyceum on 7th and 14th December to see Arabian Nights. Many thanks to Towerbank Parent Group for making it possible for us to only charge £5 a head. Many thanks to all the staff and helpers.





P3 Nativity

P3 have been working so hard this term learning about 'Putting on a Big Show'. This week all our hard work came together when we performed our Nativity Show, 'Super Star' for our families and friends. Here are some of P3B's thoughts:

'It was an amazing experience' said Elise

'It's inspired me in lots of different ways' said Anabel

'It was totally amazing and I will never forget it' said Lewis K

'It was such great fun' said Chloe and Stella

And some thoughts from P3A:

"The P3 Nativity was really good and we all did really well." (Mairi)

"People were very confident." (Sophia)

"It was a success." (Arthur)

"I enjoyed the Star dances the most!" (Caitlin)

"The Three Innkeepers were so funny!" (Bertie)

P3D really enjoyed performing 'Superstar' and we hope the audience enjoyed it too. We thought it was excellent and we wish we could do it again!!

P3C's highlights included the wonderful songs, having our friends and family there to watch us and the grand finale song "Shine" with all the lights. Here are some of our thoughts:

"I really liked the scene practices"- Libby & Jocelyn

"I liked performing in front of the other classes"- Ella

"We felt more confident because our families were there"- Freya

"We liked the behind the scenes video"- Rosie & Dominic

"I loved being my characters in the show"- Bettie

"I thought it was really funny" – Martha

"Hasty Herod was hilarious!" – Daisy

"I thought it was extremely excellent." – Joseph

"I loved the wise men." - Eli



The Eco Group who carried out the Marine Conservation Society beach clean met with Catherine from MSC and Stewart the giant Leatherback Turtle. The group presented the results of the beach clean and talked about their poster completion to reduce litter on the beach. MSC then spoke to the school assemblies about how much damage plastic waste does to our oceans. We are now all Mini MSC Sea Champions!

On Sunday 10th December I went to my first metal fencing competition in Cramond. I fought in 4 poules against boys and girls from P4-7 and I had a lot of fun! I was very happy to win a certificate, medal and a trophy for winning my poule!

I started fencing at Towerbank Active Schools fencing on Mondays after school and have learned a lot from my coach, Prof Andy. Thank you!
Merryn P5



Mika has started Cubs and good an award for being a fantastic listener and for working really hard learning about first aid.

Final total for Children in Need is £837.29. Very well done!



Amelie took part in a mini sleepout to raise money to help the homeless

It was part of the Social Bite's campaign to end homelessness in Scotland. We decided to do our own sleepout in nana's back garden so on Friday 8th December we put on many clothes and lay down under the stars with just our sleeping bags for shelter. Crikey it was cold!

We have set up a just giving page to fundraise and have raised £390 so far- our aim was to get £100.

We're very proud of Amelie as she could of changed her mind when the reality of a cold, dark garden set in but she courageously got in her sleeping bag and bedded down.

The page address is www.justgiving.com/fundraising/jane-barrow and it will take donations until 31 December 2017- anything is a help.



Kerrie (Elliot's mum from P6C) returned from Nepal to share her stories with the class about her time volunteering in a couple of different schools. The children in Nepal wrote letters in response to the ones from the children in P6C which were incredible to read! Hopefully we can keep the link going. Thanks again to Kerrie for involving P6C in her wonderful experience.



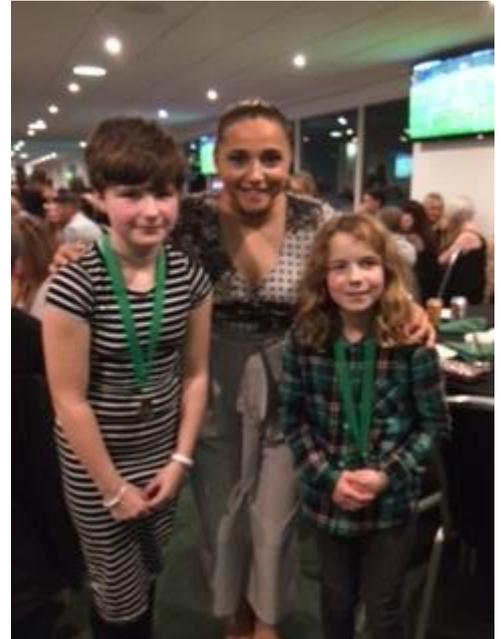
The choir sang at the library on Tuesday as part of the library's community link. The audience were enjoying some Christmas treats and got to hear some carols too! It certainly got everyone into the festive spirit!

The choir sang beautifully and we're very professional! This was their first official performance as a choir and it went remarkably well. Well done everyone!



Primary 6C went down to the beach to play a game of Hawaiian rounders as a reward for their hard work this term. Even though it was very cold, they had a great time!

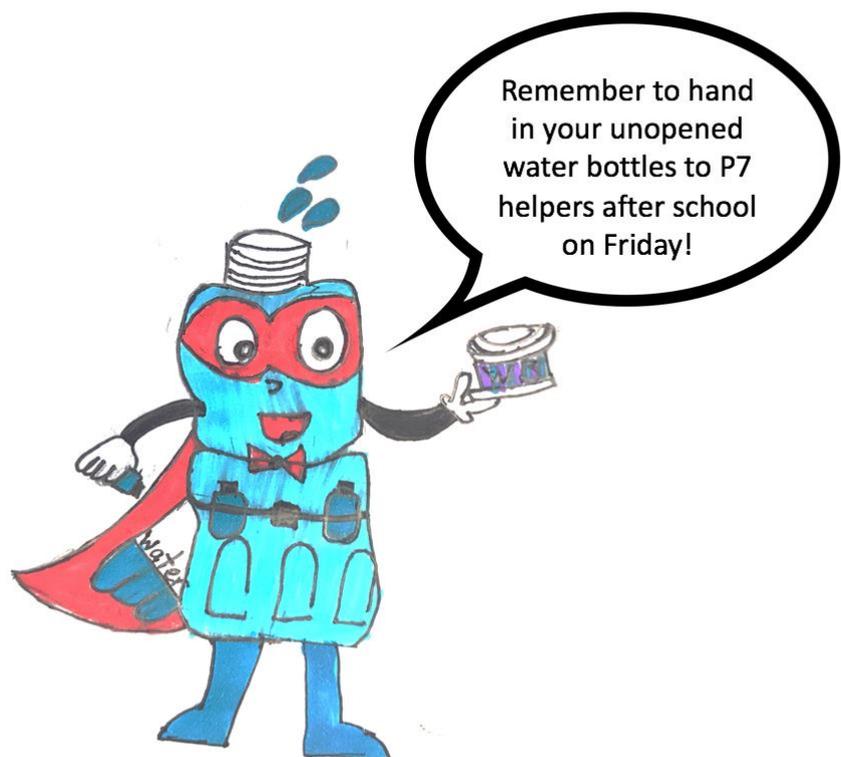
On November 2017 there was a Hibernian award ceremony where we went to collect our participation medals and met a professional ladies player named Abi Harrison and took a picture with her. Our coach Norrie gave a speech.. Everyone was so excited because the woman who spoke had won the cup final against Glasgow City. This took place at the Tony Macaroni Stadium. WELL DONE LADIES!!!!!!
By Abi and Zoe



Georgia Donald and her friend Jenny Foster both in P4 took part in the Lothian Dance Show held at Portobello High School yesterday (13th Dec). Georgia and Jenny showed off their cheerleading dance they had been practising for months and were brilliant!

Jenny said *"I was surprised I was not nervous, it was just too exciting to show everyone what we had been learning for months!"*

Georgia said *"I felt so happy on stage. Lots of people were there clapping and cheering and our teacher said that we had done really well. We were so tired after it!"*



MONTHLY CHALLENGE

DECEMBER 2017



The calendar in this photo can be used throughout December. It is made up of two cubes, each with six faces. These cubes can be placed to show all of the numbers between 1 and 31.

Can you work out which numbers need to go on the 12 faces of the cubes to create a calendar that will work for the whole month. Be careful – this challenge is trickier than it first looks.

Remember, single digit numbers need to have a zero in the tens column. For example, 1 should appear as 01.

The images below show the net of a cube – these could be a helpful way of laying out your numbers.

