

# Elderbank's

## Term 3 Highlights



It has been another busy term and these are some of the exciting opportunities the children have benefited from.

Term 3 After School clubs have included Football, Netball, Dance, Music and Futsal. In term 4 the proposed clubs are football, netball, Primary 2 and 3 music, handball, STEAM club, a mindfulness club, and possibly an art and hockey club. We are delighted we can offer so many clubs as these are provided at no charge by the staff and volunteers.

Well done to the After School and Saturday Dance Clubs who recently performed at the Greenwood Cluster Dance Show.



Some of our Hearing Impaired pupils visited Dean Castle in Kilmarnock as part of their Social Studies work. The senior classes have also visited the Medical Scientists at the Cochlear Implant Department at Crosshouse Hospital.



World Book Day was great fun as we had a Big Bedtime Read and we all came to school in our pyjamas



P4B enjoyed reading to the Early Years children.



Primary 1B had fun reading with P5b

## Literacy

The Library Committee worked with the Library Team from North Ayrshire Council to prepare promotional material including a comic strip and a movie trailer to encourage everyone to join their local library. This was launched at Elderbank on the 1<sup>st</sup> March. Some keen readers from Primary 5 and 6 travelled to the Scottish Book Awards at the Grand Central Hotel on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March. Pupils had the fantastic opportunity to interview the winner Ross Mackenzie, author of 'The Nowhere Emporium'. In preparation for this the BBC learning Lab visited Elderbank and worked with the children on how to prepare and conduct an interview as can be seen in the photographs. This was an exciting opportunity for everyone.



## Scot's Verse Speaking

Well done to everyone, who participated and a special congratulations to Chellie Brown and Zak Bleakley who represented the school and won shields at Irvine Burns' Club







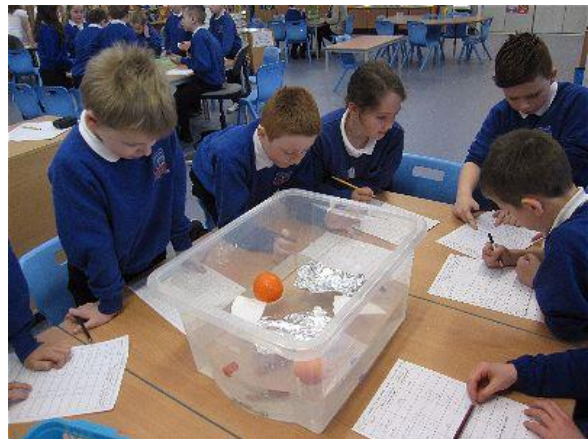
Every Class has Visited the Library or shops in the local community. Primary 7 were invited to Greenwood Academy Library as part of the transition project. The Early Year's pupils enjoyed the Book Bug Sessions with their parents and Carers.

Base 7 really enjoyed their visit to the library.



### Science at Elderbank

We had a very successful Science Week followed by an Open Afternoon on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2016.



All of the children had great fun and learned lots of new facts. It was great to share the learning with parents and Carers.





We have been very lucky to have parents and carers in the school learning alongside our pupils in addition to helping at home with some super homework challenges which have included building lighthouses with primary 2 pupils.

In response to parent feedback we extended the number of opportunities for Play and Stay sessions in the Early Years. The adults were able to see their children learning while they played. This included outdoors. The Early Years class have also benefited from the Mini – kickers programme.



Thank you to all parents, carers and friends who have supported the pupils by coming along to Open Afternoons and Class Assemblies. The children are always really pleased to share what they have been learning with their friends and family.

Thank you to the parent Council who have continued to fundraise and support the life and work of the whole school.