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Euro Quiz Competition

Congratulations to the team of P6 pupils, Liva McGillvray, Kristofer Cockburn, Jamie Campbell, Matthew Westbury and reserve, Rory Antrobus, who won the regional Euro Quiz competition on Wednesday 28th March 2018. The team go forward to represent SBC at the Scottish finals to be held at the Scottish Parliament later in May. The children were excellent ambassadors for the school, huge congratulations and very well done! Thank you to Mr Wallace who prepared the pupils, at school, and supported them on the day and the parents/carers who helped and supported with preparation at home.

Dalguise 2018

We remind parents of Primary 6 children that the final payment for Dalguise is to be paid by **8th June 2018**. Please make full or partial payments through ParentPay.

Dalguise 2019

Parents of children currently in Primary 5 are invited to attend an information meeting on 2nd May 2018 at 6.15pm in the main school building to hear about the residential trip planned for September 2019. By September 2019 these children will be in P7.

A non-refundable deposit of £45 is due to be paid before 15th May 2018. Information and booking forms will be sent home prior to the meeting. Please send the deposit along with the booking form, cheques payable to Melrose Primary School, thereafter payments will be made via ParentPay.

End of Term Service

Thank you and well done to Primary 4 for leading the Easter Service in church. The collection of £126.50 raised for the Borders Children's Charity.

Badminton

Congratulations to William Mawson (P4) who represented Melrose Primary School and won the inter-school badminton tournament recently held at Jedburgh Badminton Club for P4 and under. Well done also to Brodie Gray, Danny Sijmons and Jacob White who represented the school in the tournament.

Melrose Festival 2018 – Queen and her Court

The participants in the court for the Melrose Festival 2018 will be officially announced on Friday 4th May 2018 at the Corn Exchange 7pm for 7.30pm followed by a cheese and wine event to which all parents are invited to attend. Children selected for the court are **expected** to attend this event.

Sports Relief

Thank you to everyone who contributed and took part in our Sports Relief fundraising event, £307.70 was raised for the charity.

Jon Chappell award – Junior Road Safety Officer award, press release:

Melrose Primary named first Jon Chappell road safety award winners.

A new award in memory of a dog who helped promote road safety has been presented to Melrose Primary School. Springer spaniel Jon accompanied owner Sheena Chappell to provide road safety messages to hundreds of school pupils across the Borders, after the dog lost his leg in a road accident.

Jon sadly passed away last year, which led to ex-police officer Sheena donating the Jon Chappell Memorial Shield to Scottish Borders Council to present to the most original road safety campaign by a local school.

It was Melrose Primary's junior road safety officers Elliot Etherington and Kai Waddell who won the inaugural competition, after the primary seven pair produced a video for parents and carers involving Police Scotland and the local community.

The video explained issues around parents and carers parking on zig-zag lines and near to junctions on Huntly Road, and encouraged them to use the designated drop off and pick up points at the health centre car park, Melrose Rugby Club car park or St Mary's Road.

Sheena said: "Jon was such a special dog and the kids loved him.

"He was a visual reminder of the dangers of roads and helped the children to understand the road safety message.

"I am delighted to present the first Jon Chappell Memorial Shield to Melrose Primary School."

Assembly dates

Assemblies take place on Thursdays from 2.30-3.00pm, unless otherwise stated. Parents/carers are invited to attend assemblies involving their children as listed below:

- **26 April 2018 – P6Z**
- 3 May 2018 – P1M
- 10 May 2018 – P2
- 24 May 2018 – P3/4 at 9.15-9.45am
- **7 June 2018 – P1P**

Please note changes of dates are highlighted in bold.

Diary Dates

School closures, changes and new events are highlighted in bold writing.

Friday 30 Mar – Friday 13 Apr 2018	School Holidays
Tuesday 24 April	Johnston and Eildon cups competitions for P7 pupils
Thursday 26 April 2018	P6Z Class Assembly (re-arranged date)
Thursday 3 May 2018	P1M Class Assembly
Friday 4 May 2018	Staff In-Service Training Day – school/ELC closed for pupils
	Appointment night for Melrose Festival - 7pm for 7.30pm start
Monday 7 May 2018	School Closed – May Day Holiday
Thursday 10 May 2018	P2 Class Assembly
Friday 18 May 2018	Talent Show
Thursday 24 May 2018	P3/4 Class Assembly (please note 9.15am start)
Thursday 31 May 2018	Summer Fundraiser
Monday 4 June 2018	School closed – Local Holiday
Wednesday 6 & Thursday 7 June 2018	P7 visits to Earlston High School
Thursday 7 June 2018	P1P Class Assembly (re-arranged date)
Friday 8 June 2018	Final Payment for Dalguise 2018 due (P6 pupils only)
Tuesday 12 June 2018	Sports Day
Friday 15 June 2018	Fairtrade Tuckshop
17 th June – 23 rd June 2018	Melrose Festival Week
Tuesday 19 June 2018	Alternative Sports Day (if previous week is cancelled)
Thursday 21 June 2018	Potted Sports for P1 – P4
Monday 25 June 2018	Sports Festival for P5 – P7
Wednesday 27 June 2018	P7 Leavers Assembly
Thursday 28 June – Friday 17 Aug 2018	School Holidays
Monday 20 Aug 2018	Staff In-Service Training Day – school/ELC closed for pupils
Tuesday 21 Aug 2018	School opens for new session

FORTHCOMING EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

Melrose Waverley Tennis Club

After the Easter break Melrose Waverley Tennis Club will offer adult coaching for beginners or those looking to return to tennis after many years.

The aim will be to learn the technical and tactical aspects of tennis in fun sessions.

The dates are Sunday 22nd and 29th April, 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th May, 3rd and 10th June.

Time 9am to 10am.

The cost will be £32 for Club Members and £36 for non-members.

Interested then get in contact with Ian Reilly to register.

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