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Today is the final day of our whole school 'Writing Week'. This has been a great success with all classes focusing on the writing process. I have really enjoyed seeing some examples of pupil learning and hearing some great stories. There have been examples of pupil writing shared each day on Twitter.

Parenting Matters Course

We had a taster session for this course last week which a number of parents were able to attend. Following consultation this 8 week course will start on **Wednesday 29 January at 12.45 – 2.45pm**. A link for signing up to this course was emailed out earlier in the week.

French Language Assistant

We currently have a student from Edinburgh University supporting the teaching of French in each primary 7 class. Louise is coming into school each Monday and is helping with French activities in each class.

Schools' Gardening Project for P5

We are very excited that we have been given a place at The Botanics in their Schools Gardening Project. This is a project that will involve both primary 5 classes visiting the Botanics to plant, grow and harvest some crops over several months. Anyone visiting the Botanics from the end on March until September will be able to see the Broughton Primary bed opposite the Gardener's Cottage. More information on this project will be sent out to P5a and P5b.

School Drop In

Our next school drop in is planned for Thursday 30 January. Parents and families are welcome to visit P1 and P2 classes from 2.15 and P3-P7 classes from 2.45pm. I look forward to seeing many of you then.

Edinburgh Marathon Festival 23 & 24 May 2020

There are currently 42 children signed up to run either the 1km, 1.5km, 2km or 5km for 'Team BPS' in the Edinburgh Marathon Festival. It would be fantastic if we could reach the previous numbers of around 100. There are still several funded places available so if you would like your child to take part but have concerns about the cost then please get in touch with me. There are also several staff members running the 5km race. This is a really exciting event and I would urge as many children as possible to join us.

There are weekly Fun runs organised in advance of the Marathon Weekend for children who would like to do a bit of training before the big event. These will hopefully be starting on Sunday 29 March in Pilrig Park but confirmation of this will be sent nearer the time.

Upcoming Dates

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 Wednesday 29 Jan 12.45 – 2.45 - Parenting Matters Course starts

Wednesday 29 Jan – 6.30 – 8pm Parent Council Meeting

Thursday 30 Jan – 2.15 P1 and P2 and 2.45 for P3-P7– Whole School Drop In

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Friday 7 Feb -Term ends for February break

Monday 17 Feb – All resume

Friday 21 Feb- Snapshot Jotters sent home for 2 weeks

Wed 26, Fri 28 Feb – Parent Consultations

Maria Gowans, Head Teacher