# King's Park Secondary School Information for Families and Friends



www.kingspark-sec.glasgow.sch.uk

February 2009

## Check out our website (News pages or Gallery pages) for stories and lots of photos about the following:



King's Park won a national award – the B&Q
One Planet Living Award



S2 pupils from King's Park Awarded 'HIGHLY COMMENDED' in the Determined to Make Movies competition.

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of King's Park

I hope you enjoy this latest celebration of the achievements of the pupils of King's Park Secondary School.

The school website gives more details of these successes, and I would encourage you to have a look at it. If you don't have access to the internet at home but would like to browse through the school website, please do get in touch with me and we will discuss how the school could help.

You may have heard of the Council's current financial difficulty. This affects all services, including schools. However, I want to reassure you that the staff of King's Park will continue to work very hard to provide the best educational experience for your children that we can.

As always, we rely heavily on your support, and want to work closely with you. Could I draw your attention to the invitation on the back page. This event is highly recommended!

Please get in touch if I can help in any way.

Kind Regards

Mrs Margaret Barr Head Teacher



#### **SAFETY OF OUR CHILDREN**

The Police have asked us to give them registration numbers and other details of vehicles which park on the zigzag lines outside the school between 8 am and 6 pm. The police will send vehicle owners a letter warning them that they could be liable for a £60 fine. The school is pleased to co-operate with the police in this matter.



Seventeen King's Park pupils and two former pupils took part in the Glasgow School Christmas Concert in the City Halls in December





Latest additions to the **News** pages and to the **Gallery** ...







- Intermediate Mathematical Challenge
- S1 Challenge Group
- Fair Trade Tuck Shop
- World Vision 24 Hour Famine
- Sensory Garden Group visit Battlefield Church Senior Citizens Group
- Parent Council Meeting with pupil representatives
- Latest Parent Council Newsletter
- This Parent Newsletter
- King's Park still in the top 10 in the Shares for Schools Competition – top of the league table at one point!
- Modern Languages Enterprise Day
- Celtic Educational Awards
- A Taste of Spain
- History Club
- Italian Club
- Christmas Concert
- SVS Christmas Cakes
- Christmas Ceilidh photos
- Guestbook
- Study links Past SQA Papers and Answers
- Course Planning Evening



Hayley McSporran's art work appears in the Glasgow Schools' Calendar 2009



Could you help King's Park
Secondary by collecting tokens for
BOOKS FOR SCHOOLS? The
campaign will run for the whole of
2009. Tokens will be published in The
Times and The Sunday Times on
each day of the three school terms.
Anyone can collect tokens on a
school's behalf and there's no limit to
the number of books that schools can
order. Please give tokens to the
school office.













## Swimming Gala Results Winners – ARRAN house

The gala this year went swimmingly.

Thanks to the staff and sports captains who contributed to a wonderful experience for the pupils.

We had 120 pupils whose effort and behaviour was exceptional.

S1 Boys' Champion - Alan Docherty S1 Girls' Champion - Megan McGavin S2 Boys' Champion - Liam Ali S2 Girls' Champion - Ashleigh Sweeney Senior Boys' Champion - Ross Wood Senior Girls' Champion - Lauren Pettigrew



Congratulations to
Leigh Anne Carmichael
who won 'Student of the Year' at
Metropolitan College

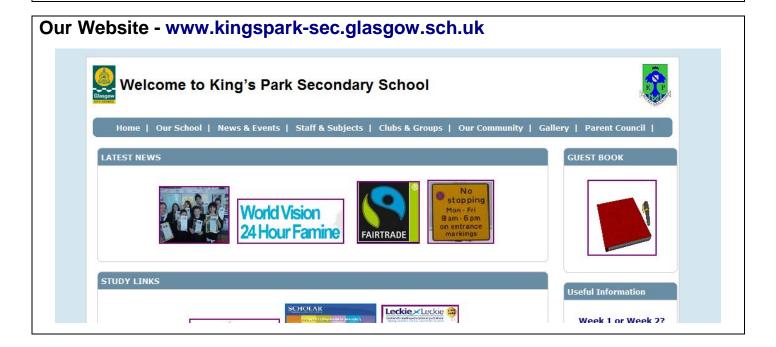
## **Grand Spring Raffle**

The Fundraising Group of the Parent Council are preparing for a GRAND SPRING RAFFLE.

Following the success of last year's fundraising efforts (raising an amazing £1,900!) which allowed us to upgrade and increase the amount of seating in the social area within the school, the Fundraising Group are now thinking about new spending plans.

Proceeds of the raffle will go towards enhancing the school environment and the school lives of pupils, eg developing outdoor areas, supporting reward trips for pupils.

Look out for books of raffle tickets heading your way soon! Thank you for your support.



# CITY COUNCIL

### King's Park Learning Community

Mrs Margaret Barr

Croftfoot Primary School

Head Teacher - Miss Mary Grant Hampden School and Unit Head Teacher - Ms Mary Cloughley Hilltop Nursery School Head Teacher - Ms Jacqueline Kelly King's Park Primary School Head Teacher - Mrs Alison O'Hara King's Park Secondary School Head Teacher - Mrs Margaret Barr Mount Florida Primary School and Nursery Class Head Teacher - Mrs Diane Fullarton Toryglen Primary School Head Teacher – Miss Karen Alston Toryglen Autism Unit Head Teacher - Mrs Marion MacFarlane



Learning Community Website www.scottishschools.info/KingsParkNLC

January 2009

To the parents and carers of all children and young people in King's Park Learning Community

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

## The Changing Curriculum in Scottish Schools - what does it mean for your child?

### Thursday 12 March 2009 at 7.00 pm – held in King's Park Secondary School

Many of you will have heard that the curriculum in our schools is changing. I am delighted to let you know that we have invited Brian Boyd to speak to parents about this very important matter.

The LTScotland website says:



Professor Brian Boyd worked in the Faculty of Education at the University of Strathclyde for 13 years after a career that saw him hold posts as headteacher, education officer and education adviser. He was a member of the Ministerial Review Group which produced the report 'A Curriculum for Excellence' in 2004. Brian is a cofounder of Tapestry, an organisation that promotes leading edge thinking about learning to Scotland

On behalf of all head teachers in King's Park Learning Community, I should like to invite you to this special event. Brian Boyd is an excellent speaker and I am certain that you will find the evening informative and enjoyable. Refreshments will be available from 6.45 pm, and we expect that the evening will end around 8.30 pm.

If you would like to attend, please complete the reply slip below and return it to your child's class teacher (register teacher in the secondary school).

Kind Regards

Mrs Margaret Barr

Principal of King's Park Learning Community

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I should like to attend the above event.		
Name of parent/carer	Date	

Please return this reply slip to your child's register teacher by Monday 9 March 2009. Thank you.