

# Charleston Primary School

As another busy year draws to a close I would first of all like to thank all parents and members of the community for their continued support throughout this session.

This year our school has achieved great success in a number of areas. Our biggest award was the Sandy Finnie Award which we received in recognition of the successful "Celebration Stations" which have now become central to our Positive Behaviour Policy. With a large number of high quality entries we were delighted to be selected as the winners of this sought after prize. It was also a great pleasure to meet Mrs Finnie and her daughter Claire when they visited the school last month.

Thanks to the hard work of Mrs Ross, Mrs Smith and Mr Thomson (Actgve Schools Coordinator) Charleston School was awarded £10,000 from "Awards for All Scotland" through the lottery funding. As I'm sure you will have noticed we have already spent the money on some beautiful playground markings chosen by our pupils. We look forward to the completion of our safety matting and to the arrival of our chute! Thanks also to the Parent Council for their generous contribution towards this project.

Our annual talent show was once again a great success and clearly demonstrated just how much talent and skill we have here amongst our pupils (and staff?) at Charleston.

The children's talents have been further demonstrated through some excellent individual achievements. Beth Cochrane (P6) was the winner of a competition organised by Aberdeen Sports Village to design a new

mascot. It was a sheer delight to witness Beth's face as her design arrived in the school hall full size and in all its glory! Well done Beth!



Well done to Kera Lynch and Jordan Napier who represented Charleston at the local K'Nex Challenge earlier this term. Special thanks to Mrs Napier for accompanying the pupils to the competition. They all enjoyed the experience.

Well done to Jamie Sutherland who came third in the under 13's Tae-Kwon Do International Championships. A wonderful achievement. Congratulations also to Amber Thow who

won the individual girls Cove Inter Schools Cross Country Championship and led the girls' team to win the team trophy. Another success was Rory Cargill who once again represented Scotland in the British Rock Climbing championships competing against another 40 climbers.

Sports/Olympics/Health Week  
Our annual health week had a strong focus on the Olympic and Paralympics values. The children had the opportunity to try out a variety of sports, developing their skills through competitive activities. All stages within the

school had a very successful sports day where children had the opportunity to show their excellence in some Olympic sports. Children from P3/4 to Primary 7 received input on oral health which was then developed throughout the week by the children presenting to their younger peers in Nursery to P2/3.

We take this opportunity to wish you all a happy, safe and restful summer holiday. Fingers crossed for some blue sky and sunshine!

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