

# South Morningside Primary School make a difference



Every child at South Morningside Primary School paid £1 to watch a talent show earlier this year. The money raised was then allocated between all the classes or year groups so that they all had £25 to £30 to spend. Each term SMPS have a 'theme' which they focus on, and this term it is Community.

As part of Curriculum for Excellence using money, maths, finance education, community enterprise outcomes each class was tasked with using their money to 'make a difference' to their local community.

Some of the ideas which resulted from this project include ways of improving the school grounds – they have bought bulbs to be planted. Others want to buy a bee box! There has been a lot of publicity about the declining bee population so they will buy one and perhaps put it somewhere in the school grounds or in nearby Braidburn Park. Some children want to build a recycled green house using 1,000 plastic bottles. Others thought they would donate funds to local charities some of whom do not accept toys as gifts but take Amazon vouchers instead, so the children have been shown how those are ordered online.

SMPS have a link with Redhall Special School and they are fundraising for a playground project. At least one class is going to donate their money to RSS.

The council's Education Convener, Councillor Paul Godzik went along to see the exhibition of all their various ideas, and was shown round by the Primary 7 Leaders Group who are

photographed below.

