

## The Big (Wet) Parsy Picnic Climb!

Whilst we planned for this to be the inaugural Big Parsy Picnic Climb, Scotland's weather had other ideas and decided it was time to enshroud Arthur's Seat in cloud! For fear of rainfall damage, we therefore left behind the school logo, made up of 49 A1 cardboard panels beautifully painted by our pupils (led by Sam Rutherford), which we'll endeavour to get up the top of Arthur's Seat on a sunnier day later in the year. Instead, a core group of about 40 determined



climbers still gathered as scheduled and set off into the mist... After hiking up through the woods and a snack by Dunsapie Loch (above), the group decided to avoid the slippery crags of the very top and ascend the grassy heights of Whinny Hill (below) as an alternative, where they polished off their



picnics and hot chocolate before heading back home. And so the *Parsy Picnic Climbers' Club* has been born – all welcome for future excursions! The postponed *Big Parsy Picnic Climb 2016*, we now hope will serve to welcome in the new P1s at the start of the new term in August – weather dependant!