November Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to November's newsletter and what is a busy term. With that in mind I have extended the Dates for your Diary section to include some of the upcoming events in December. I know the Christmas season is very busy and hopefully this will let you know what is going on in plenty of time. More details will follow. With best wishes,

Mrs McGill

Standards and Quality Report

Each year a Standards and Quality Report is published by the school as one of the ways we report to families about how well the school is doing. It covers areas such as achievements, how well our children are making progress, how they are supported and a little detail about our improvement priorities for the next session. You can find our Standards and Quality Report on the school website in the Our School section under Standards and Quality. If you require a paper copy, please contact the School Office.

Panto Time!

P1-P3 had their panto experience when Sleeping Beauty and M and M productions visited the school earlier this month. Now P4-P7 have the chance to go to their panto. Oh yes they have!. We are attending Sleeping Betty (a Glasgow panto) performed by Halo Arts at the Maryhill Community centre on Tuesday 13th December at 10am. I'm sure the children will enjoy this experience!

PTA Events

We had another successful PTA event this month in our family games night which was well attended. Saturday 3rd December(10-12) is the PTA Christmas Fair and is one of the biggest fundraisers for the school.If you can help at any of the stalls, please speak to Mrs Coats or Mrs Rogers. Thank you to those who have have volunteered or donated for our stalls. We look forward to seeing you there.

Parents' Evening

We were delighted to welcome you back in to the building for parents' meetings at the start of this term. Attendance was high with 96% of families joining us. If you were unable to attend you will be offered phone appointment to allow you to hear about your child's progress. Thank you for your generosity and support at the Book Fair. We received £800 in commission which we have used to purchase books for the Literacy Lounge and the class libraries.

Parent Council

Our AGM was held this month and we have voted in some of our office bearers. Thank you to those who were able to attend and welcome to our new members. A change to the constitution is being proposed to allow a rotating chair of the PC to be put in place. The details will be circulated to the parent body for consultation and agreement.



Living advent calendar

We are delighted to take part in this year's Living Advent calendar. We are lighting up our window on Wednesday 7th December at 5.30pm. Come along and hear the choir sing and join us as we light up for Christmas!



Christmas Charities

This year we are running our successful "Big Box Raffle" and we are looking for donations for that. Each class has been allocated a colour for your donation. Please check Seesaw for that information.

Outdoor Classroom Day

Classes took the learning outside on Friday 4th November to participate in World Outdoor Classroom Day. This will build on the work we have been doing with ECO Drama already to support and develop our outdoor learning approach. This was another great chance for children to get outside and learn.

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-	December Calendar
Dates	Events
Thursday 1st	P1 open afternoon - toys and games
Saturday 3rd	PTA Christmas Fair – 10.00-12.00
Monday 5th	Christmas post starts - please put name and class on all cards
Wednesday 7th	Living Advent Calendar switch on 5.30pm school playground
Thursday 8th	P7 Residential Information 6pm Gym Hall
Monday 12th	Nativity dress rehearsal - 10am
Tuesday 13th	Christmas Lunch - dinner school
Tuesday 13th	P4-P7 pantomime - Maryhill community centre
Wednesday 14th	Nativity performance - 2pm
Thursday 15th	Nativity performance - 2pm
Friday 16th	Nativity performance for whole school - am
Monday 19th	P1, P2 & P3 Christmas parties pm. Children can wear their own clothes.
Tuesday 20th	P4 to P7 parties/disco/quiet zone. Children can wear their own clothes.
Thursday 22nd	Wear your Christmas jumper and bring a donation for the Heart of Scotstoun foodbank
Thursday 22nd	End of term – school closes at 2.30 pm
Wednesday 4th January	School returns at 8.45am

In case you missed it...

We have had children taking part in different events both in school and in the community

- Our librarians have been busy this month. Some visited the Mitchell Library to meet the author and illustrator Alex T Smith and others visited Whiteinch Library to meet Kimberlie Hamilton.
- P4a and b visited the Museum of Rural Life in East Kilbride and really enjoyed their visits. They spoke a lot about what they had seen particularly the tractors!
- P5 a and b enjoyed a trip to the Science Centre as part of their learning about Powering our Future Science topic.
- We raised an amazing £435.65 for Children in Need thank you for your support with donations and baking.
- The Trees won the first house treat of the year. Well done!
- Our P7 pupil council reps attended the City Chambers to take part in the pupil voice forum.
- All classes participated in anti-bullying week and took part in our odd sock themed assembly.