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Dear Parents

Hopefully this will be the last newsletter of 2019!

P7 Parents

We are looking at taking the P7 pupils to London as part of their topic on Parliament. We have provisionally booked Parliament for Wednesday 1st April and intend to travel down to London by train on Monday 30th March and return on Thursday 2nd April. Could you please get back to us to indicate whether your child would like to attend this residential trip. Once I have definite numbers I will start looking for the best deals. Thank you.

Arrochar Challenge

Thank you to everyone who has returned sponsor money from the Arrochar Challenge. We have made over £2000. If the last few families have collected money, could you please return it now. If you haven't raised any, can you please let us know so we can keep our financial records up to date.

The money raised from the Arrochar Challenge will be spent by the PTA replacing the decking area of the playground. A huge thank you to Karl for all his hard work.

School Captains/Vice-Captains

The House Captains and vice-captain for this session are:-

Arrochar Captain – Coll, Vice-Captain – Lily
Lomond Captain – Robert, Vice-Captain – Archie
Tarbet Captain – Amanda, Vice-Captain – Caitlin

Pupil Council

P1 Paige, P2 Lucas, P3 Aila, P4 Tilly, P5 Matilda, P6 Ruby & P7 Robert. The next Pupil Council meeting will be on Monday 9th December at 11.30am

Playground Buddies

The playground buddies this year are Flora, Emily, Ruby, Matilda, Madeline, Amanda, Coll, Samantha, Robert & Lily.

Eco Committee

The Eco committee consists of Piper, Amelie, Sophie, Lachlan, Joni, Tristan, Archie & Samantha.



Rights Respecting Committee

Xanthe, Hamish, Joseph, Erin, Hanna, George, Amanda & Willow

Read, Write, Count Bags/Book Bug

The Scottish Book Trust have provided Read, Write, Count Bags and Book Bug sets for all the pupils from Primary 1 to Primary 3. We hope you enjoy sharing these bags with your children.

PTA

The next PTA meeting will be Tuesday 12th November at 9am in the school, all welcome.

Autumn Laughter

Eilidh O'Neil will visit the school on Friday 15th November to take P5/6 for a yoga session.

Christmas Un-wrapped Performance

Helen from Contraflow will visit the school on Friday 22nd November to work with P7 around the theme of Christmas.

In-service Day

The school will be closed on Monday 25th November as this is now an In-service day. The Pre-5 will be open as normal.

Generation Group

Changeworks will be visiting the Generation Group on 28th November as well as a musician, for a music session. On Thursday 19th December the Generation Group will be attending a show and Christmas lunch, which has been kindly donated by the Arrochar Hotel again this year. Consent forms to follow.

Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 13th December is Christmas jumper day. Please send your child in to school that day in a Christmas jumper or outfit with £1. All money raised will go to Children in Need, this is one of the charities that the Pupil Council have decided to support this year.

Christmas Fair

This year's Christmas Fair will take place in the school on Friday 29th November from 3-6pm. The stalls so far are crafts, sweets, raffle, tombola, games room, face painting, tattoos, tea/coffee & cakes, baby clothing, Mansfield, woollen items, toys, nails, Christmas wreaths, cards and of course, Santa will be making an appearance, taking time out of his busy schedule to visit us in his grotto (outside classroom) from 3.15pm to 4.30pm – don't be late or you will miss him!

If you have any new items to donate to the adult/child tombola stall or to the raffle, please send them in. All donations are very much appreciated. We'll also be looking for some home baking donations, if possible. Could these be sent in to school on the Friday morning or given to a PTA member. At the fair we will also be selling your child's craft/decorations.

Changeworks

Jamie Proudfoot has been working with P5/6 and 7 pupils on energy audits and ways of reducing our usage. We will be having an energy assembly to show the other classes what we have been learning on Friday 29th November at 9.30am.



Carol Singing

Some pupils from P6 and P7 will be visiting John Lewis in Glasgow on Thursday 5th December to entertain the shoppers by singing carols. All money raised will be used by the P7 pupils to purchase leavers hoodies. More information and consents to follow,

General Election

The school will be closed on Thursday 12th December as we are being used as a Polling station, we will re-open on Friday 13th at 9am.

School Christmas Lunch

The canteen will serve Christmas lunch on Friday 13th December. Children entitled to free school meals and also pupils from P1 to P3 will be entitled to a free Christmas lunch, however we still need to know numbers. Please email the school or complete the slip below to let us know if your child would like a Christmas lunch, as the canteen need to know how much food to order. For those pupils who pay for lunch, please send payment into school along with the return slip. You can also email us to let us know. The cost for lunch is £2.20,

Helensburgh Winter Festival

The Helensburgh Winter Festival will take place in Helensburgh on Saturday 30th November. We have three winners in the penguin competition, so congratulations to Leigha, Samantha and Amanda. They will be presented with their prizes at assembly today.

Open Afternoon

You are invited to join us on Friday 13th December from 2-3pm to work alongside your child and find out what they have been learning this term, we hope you can join us.

Pantomime Trip

The pupils will attend Jack and the Beanstalk at the King's Theatre, Glasgow on Wednesday 18th December. All information and consent forms will be issued shortly. Please be at the school at 5pm to collect your child. Luss and Inverbeg pupils will be dropped off en-route. If you have still to pay please do so now.

Christmas Concert

All pupils will be at the Church in Arrochar on Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th December for dress rehearsal and and Christmas concert. The concert will start at 1pm on the 17th December. An information letter will be sent out and consent forms will be issued shortly.

Parent Council Meeting

The next Parent Council meeting will be on Tuesday 10th December at 6.30pm in the school. If you have any agenda items, please send them to Jean Mustarde.

Yours Sincerely

Alison Palmer
Head Teacher



Christmas Lunch

My child/children-----

Would like to have a Christmas Lunch on Friday 13th December. They would like:

Turkey with all the trimmings

Vegetarian Lunch

I enclose £2.20 payment

My child does not want lunch, they will bring a packed lunch