



DEAR PARENT/CARER

It seems no time since all the festive arrangements were being made and here we are back for a new term with the holidays behind us. Happy New Year to you all.

P1-3 Nativity

The children and staff worked very hard preparing for their Nativity which was absolutely amazing. We hope our P1-3 families enjoyed it. Thank you to our staff for putting it all together.



FESTIVE FUN REFLECTION

Nursery - P3 Christmas Parties

These went extremely well and the children looked fabulous in their party wear. The children were so excited to receive a present! All pictures are on Blue Sky.

Panto

P4-7 had an enjoyable time seeing Baltic at Cumbernauld Theatre, the story was very funny and the performance was excellent.

Carol Singing at Tesco

Some pupils from P6/7 attended Tesco to entertain shoppers with some traditional carols. They raised £280. Well done P6/7.

Christmas Jumper Day/Santa Hat Day

December 11th saw many children in their Christmas jumpers and Santa Hats which raised £186 and went to Strathcarron Hospice.



EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSURE

In a season where we may see some inclement weather I would like to remind parents of the procedures for a non-routine/unforeseen closure.

The school does make every effort to keep records of emergency contacts and place of employment of parent(s) up to date.



Parents must be aware of their responsibility in keeping the school informed of any changes, the wisdom of having emergency arrangements in place (of which their child is aware) and of having more than one emergency contact.

If parents are unsure whether the school will be opening at 9.00am they should tune into Central FM who will announce any closures. If possible parents should also receive a Text message and the council websites and Blue Sky will be updated.



BURNS'/SCOTTISH EVENTS



We are gearing up for our focus on Scots and Robert Burns.

P1-6 will have home with them a poem to learn for the Poetry Competition. Three children will be put forward for the final and a winner will be selected. Each winner will be invited to the P7 Burns' Supper on the 23rd January and their family will be invited to the Burns' Assembly on the 29th January. Parents will be notified by email if their child is a winner.

STAFFING

We sadly had to say goodbye to Mrs Lemetti our EP teacher. Mrs Lemetti has joined another local school full time. We are delighted though to welcome Miss Miller on a short term basis who will teach in EP on a Wednesday and Thursday. We also Welcome Mr Waddle as a part time SfLA.



AUTHOR VISIT

We are delighted to share with you that the author Debbie Quinn is visiting Nursery to P3 on the 26th January.

The children will be able to buy a signed copy of her book Leonard's Lunch.



DATES FOR THE DIARY

23rd January–Burns Supper for P7 and invited VIP guests

26th January - Author visit for Nursery-P3

29th January–P7 Burns Assembly for P7 and Poetry Winners

Parents - 1.15pm in school



9th February–Final Parent/carer Dalguise meeting - 5pm



13th–16th February–

Holiday. School and nursery closed to staff and pupils

17th February–In-service Day. School and nursery closed to pupils

3rd March–Open Afternoon for parents 2.15-3.00pm

4th March–P1 & P7 class memento photo

6th March–Book Fair in school -details to follow

9th-11th March - Senior pupil residential





T.O.T.S TALK

TIME. OPPORTUNITY. TRUST. SPACE



Thank you to all our families who joined us for our Family Fire-Pit, we were also delighted to welcome our friends from Langlees ELC.

The nursery children all had a fabulous time at Cumbernauld Theatre for the Christmas show–Snow Day. Everyone also had lots of fun at their Christmas party! They were so excited by the visit from Santa and each child was given a lovely gift.



If your child is due to start school in August 2026 please make sure they are enrolled for school. Sometimes it is in the best interests for children to have the advantage of an additional year at nursery. Staff will chat to you about this.

Nursery Hours



More and more children are arriving between 9.00 and 10.30. Latecoming disrupts the nursery day and takes staff away from the children they are working with, all children should be in for 8.45am.

All children **MUST** be collected on time. If on the rare occasion that you are going to be late you must notify the school office on 01324 508530

Staff are not responsible to keep children until the 3pm school bell or later.

