



Loanhead Primary School

December Newsletter 2016

Please do not panic! It is still only November, but I wanted to keep you up to date with arrangements for all the activities we have planned over the festive season. I have also had this newsletter printed to allow every child to bring home a paper copy.

Staff News

Sadly we say goodbye to Miss Longford in P5 and P3. She is going travelling, getting married and moving to Switzerland! Mrs Wallace will be returning from maternity leave after Christmas. She will be returning one day per week and working on a Wednesday in P3. We currently have an advert out for a part time teacher to work with Mrs Roy and P5 until the summer holidays. As soon as we have filled this post we will let you know. We have also recently taken on an additional Learning Assistant, Mrs Kennedy, we hope she enjoys her time working here in Loanhead!

Congratulations to Mrs Hinton for being nominated and becoming one of the 3 finalists in the Forth One local hero awards.

Fundraising

Well done to the pupil councils of both schools their spotacular Friday raised a spotacular £202.83 for Children In Need. Well done!

DECEMBER CALENDAR

Thursday 1st December

P1 and P7 dental inspection

Friday 2nd December

Campus Christmas Fair – please collect pupils from classes at 12pm (uncollected pupils will be dismissed at normal time)

Fair runs from 12pm until 1.30pm.

Tuesday 6th December

Pupils only – pm watch St Margaret's nativity

Wednesday 7th December

Pantomime afternoon – 'Oh no it isn't! – Oh yes it is!'

P1 – P4 The Parent Council have paid for Hopscotch Theatre Company to perform Jack and the Beanstalk in the large hall. There is no charge for this event.

P5 – P7 are off to the Brunton Theatre to see Aladdin. The Parent Council have paid for the busses and there is a charge of £10 per child to cover ticket cost and ice cream at the interval. A separate letter, detailing this trip, will follow.

Thursday 8th December

Pupils only – drumming workshop for Nursery am and pm, P3 and P4

Friday 9th December

Pupils only – am watch our P1 and P2 pupils perform in their nativity.

Monday 12th December

P1 and P2 parents/ family only. We invite 2 adults per child to join us at 1.30pm until 2.30pm (approximately), in the large hall to watch this year's nativity play performed by our two youngest classes. Please note that any filming or photographs can only be taken with the commitment that none of these will be displayed on any social media sites. There will be an opportunity for individual photographs at the end of the performance.

Wednesday 14th December

School Christmas lunch. Separate letter to follow.

Monday 19th December

P3, P4 P5, P6 and P7 parents/families only. We invite two adults per family to join us in the large hall at 1.30pm until 2.30pm (approximately) for this year's Christmas concert. Please note that we will be sharing a recording of this concert via a secure link for those parents unable to attend. Please also note that any filming or photographs can only be taken with the commitment that none of these will be displayed on any social media sites.

Tuesday 20th December

P1 and P2 Christmas party. This will take place in the afternoon. If children would like to, they can bring a change of clothing and hang this on their peg. They will be given time and assistance to change into their party clothes in the afternoon. We are expecting a special visitor to the party. If you would like to join us for the visitor, please come to the small hall at 2.15pm.

The cost for this party is £1 per child. Please send this to school in an envelope marked with your child's name, class and party money.

Wednesday 21st December

P3, P4, P5 P6 and P7 will all be having their Christmas parties in the afternoon. If your child would like to, he/she can bring a change of clothing and hang this on their peg. They will be given time to change into their party clothes in the afternoon. The cost for this party is £1 per child. Please send this to school in an envelope marked with your child's name, class and party money.

Thursday 22nd December

Pupil only events – Christmas Campus Talent Show in the morning followed by a full campus Christmas singalong in the afternoon.

Friday 23rd December

Campus visit to Loanhead Church. We plan to leave for church around 10.15am and will be back in school for a 12pm finish (please note early finish for all pupils)

I wish all our staff and pupils the happiest of festive seasons and a happy and healthy 2017 .

All staff and pupils return to school – Monday 9th January

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Wednesday 18th January – 1st March - P6 Ski lessons

Wednesday 18th January – Parent Council Meeting 6.30pm in staffroom. All welcome.

Thursday 26th January – Nursery Curriculum Evening

Thursday 2nd February – 3.30pm – 5.30pm Parent Evening – drop in

Tuesday 7th February – Friday 10th February – P7 Dalguise

Monday 13th February – Friday 17th February – Pupil Holiday

ALL RETURN MONDAY 20TH FEBRUARY

