

Innellan Primary School Newsletter

January 2019

Christmas

As usual Christmas was a busy time with many fun events. Our Christmas jumper day raised £27.60 for Save the Children. The children did an amazing job in their two performances of 'Camel, Lights, Action'; we have some great actors and singers in the school! Members of the community were very impressed with the performance. We raised £95.65 for our performance and for the selling of our Christmas crafts. A special thank you goes out to the Parent Council for providing drinks and cakes at our two Christmas performances; this made them such special occasions. A group of pupils visited Morrison's for the annual Christmas carol singing; they were so good that they raised donations of £178.70.

Forest School

A reminder that Forest School is on a Wednesday. Please ensure your child brings in warm, waterproof clothing as they will be out in all weathers. Your child will also require a full change of clothes. During the winter months, the Forest School leaders will make the decision as to whether or not a session will take place on the day, depending on the weather. This could mean that one group may go out but another group may not due to changes in the weather. As the decision will mostly be made on the day parents will not be informed of cancellations unless known in advance.

Attendance

Please can we remind parents that all absences should be reported to the school office, by the parent, by 9.30am on each day of a pupil's absence.

ASN Parent Group

A letter went home before Christmas to inform you of the ASN (Additional Support Needs) Parent Group. The parent group meet regularly and work with the school to support each other and to share ideas to help and support the children. The aims of the group are to:

1. Build close and trusting relationships between families and staff.
2. Promote good practice and raise awareness of types of ASN.
3. Help children build friendships with their classmates with ASN
4. Share and discuss approaches
5. Provide support to the school community

As part of this we have organised some training sessions in school that parents are welcome to attend. The sessions are open to all parents and are aimed at raising awareness and understanding.

The two sessions we currently have booked in are:

Sensory Processing – Thursday 24th January 2019 – 1.30pm – 2.45pm at Innellan Primary School – delivered by Fiona Smith, Paediatric Occupational Therapist

Understanding Autism - Tuesday 29th January 2019 – 9.30am – 10.30am at Innellan Primary School – delivered by Duncan MacGillivray

Complete the attached slip and return to school if you are able to attend either or both of these sessions.

Please contact the school if you require any further information on the ASN Parent Group, would like to come along to any meetings or have any suggestions for future sessions.

After School Clubs

Gardening Club (Hungry Diggers) starts on Tuesday 22nd January 3pm-4pm.

Basketball club for P5 – P7 starts on 16th January, 4.00pm – 5.00pm at Innellan Primary School. This will run for 5 weeks.

Assemblies

We continue to have a sharing assembly on the first Friday of each month (see dates below). This is an opportunity for children to share their wider achievements out with school and any homework that they have completed from the website. The website will be updated shortly to provide new homework activities for this term.

Curriculum Bulletins

Assessed curriculum bulletins for your child showing last term's progress will be sent home soon. A new bulletin will also be sent showing you the learning for this term, their targets and suggestions for activities at home.

Dates for the Diary 2019

Wednesday 16 th January	Basketball starts for P5 – P7 – 4.00pm – 5.00pm
Tuesday 22 nd January	Gardening Club starts - 3.00pm – 4.00pm
Thursday 24 th January	Sensory Processing for parents, 1.30pm at Innellan Primary School
Tuesday 29 th January	Understanding Autism – 9.30am at Innellan Primary School
Tuesday 29 th January	Dental checks for P1 and P7
Friday 1 st February	Sharing Assembly
Monday 11 th February – Friday 15 th February	Mid-Term Break (including 2 in-service days)
Tuesday 26 th February	Parent Evening
Friday 1 st March	Sharing Assembly
Monday 18 th March – Friday 22 nd March	Health Week
Friday 29 th March	School Closes at 2.30pm for the April break
Monday 15 th April	School Opens at 9am
Friday 19 th April– Monday 22 nd April	School closed for the Easter break
Tuesday 23 rd April	School Opens
Tuesday 23 rd April	P1/P2 swimming starts for 6 weeks

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Please tick/delete as appropriate and return to school.

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