



Burnside Primary School

December 2018

Learning together, growing together to be all that we can be.

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Dear Parents/Carers,
Hello December and welcome to a very busy few weeks at Burnside Primary! Christmas countdown dates are noted on page 2 and can be found on school website and App.



Thank you all for your recent support with our **Christmas Fayre**; it was such a successful day and was lovely to see everyone getting together to have fun while raising vital funds for the school. The total amount raised is in the region of **£4,000**. Huge thanks to the organising team, Fiona Welsh, Holly Belcher, Lesley Green and Fiona Anderson. Thanks also to Julie Whiteside for her great

support in promoting our Christmas Fayre.



Thank you for your support in helping the children prepare for our **Holly Days** shows and the P.3 Nativity **'Lights, Camel, Action!'**. Letters will come home on Monday and requests can be returned from Tuesday 4th December. It is advisable to send in ticket requests as soon as possible, as they will go quickly. We will keep you updated via the app, of any available tickets.

Thank you for your support with our **Reverse Advent Calendar** campaign. Please send in any remaining donations by **Monday 10th December**. Thank you!

We are looking forward to **Christmas lunch** on

Thursday 13th December. Please note all orders should be sent in by Friday **7th December**. To add to the festivities, pupils can come dressed to school wearing Christmas jumpers, colours etc. if they wish.

School **library visits** have now stopped. Pupils should keep any borrowed books and bookbags at home until sessions resume in January. On behalf of us all at Burnside Primary, a huge thanks to our team of volunteers!

As we are so busy with rehearsals, parties etc. in school, P.E times may vary in the next 3 weeks. As always, P.E kits can be kept in school for use.

Best wishes from us all at Burnside for a happy, safe and peaceful Christmas and New

Vision & Values

Together at Burnside Primary we will:

Harness children's abilities, encouraging ambition and resilience through a varied, challenging and enjoyable curriculum. We will foster personal achievement and skills for life in an inclusive, nurturing, respectful and shared environment.

Happy High Fives

**Safe
Healthy
Respectful
Responsible
Active**

School finishes on Friday 21 December at 2.30 pm and returns on Monday 7 January 2017.

**Assemblies
~ November ~**

Competition winners
Children in Need
Star Writers
Anti-bullying
Scottish Book Week
Friendship



Please see P.1 enrolment details on page 3. We look forward to meeting with parents/carers in January.

The month ahead.....December 2018

- 3 7.10pm–Parent Council Meeting
- 4 P.6 to ‘Christmas Unwrapped’ event at Rodger Memorial Church
P1 & 7 dental inspections
Christmas show tickets on sale
- 7 A.m–P.3 perform their Nativity for Spittal Art Club
2.15pm–Bird Feeder making for parents and pupils of Room 3
- 11-14 9.30-11.00 am (approx.)– ‘*Holly Days*’ shows including ‘*Lights, Camel, Action!*’ Nativity
- 11 Afternoon–P.3 Christmas party
- 12 Afternoon ~ P.4 Christmas party.
- 13 Christmas Lunch
Afternoon ~ P.5 Christmas party.
- 14 Afternoon ~ P.2 Christmas party.
- 17 1.45pm–P.3 Nativity for P.3 friends & families.
- 18 11.30am–choir sing at Tesco Burnside
Afternoon ~ P.6 Christmas party
- 19 Afternoon ~ P.1 Christmas party.
- 20 Afternoon ~ P.7 party.
- 21 2.30 pm–finish for Christmas holidays. **Have a wonderful holiday with your families!**

Healthy Burnside



Winter Vomiting Bug (Norovirus)

Please support us in encouraging your child to wash their hands regularly with soap and water to reduce their chances of catching the bug. If your child has the bug, they must stay at home for 48 hours after symptoms go.



THIS SCHOOL IS A **Nut Free School**

Please do not send nuts in to school in any form including chocolate/peanut spreads.

Medicines

All inhalers should be kept with children however, for your child's safety, we would be grateful if you would send in a spare to be held at the office. If your child needs any medicine to be administered during the school day, a form must be completed at the school office before we can help. Please do not send painkillers etc. to school in a schoolbag as this can pose a danger to other children.



Mobile phones

We would prefer that children do not bring mobile phones to school. However, if your child has a phone in school, please remind them that it must be switched off during the school day and should never be used to photograph or film anyone in school. If your child is travelling on school transport, please support us in discouraging them from using their phone on the bus at all. Unfortunately older pupils are accessing games/apps and sharing these with younger pupils. Please discourage your child from doing so.

Toileting

Your child will always be allowed to visit the toilet when needed however staff will also encourage children to ensure they go at break times in order to establish good habits and minimise disruption to learning. We welcome your support in this matter. Please contact us if you have any concerns regarding toileting.

Working Together

P.1 enrolment will take place in school at the following times:-

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| Mon 14 Jan | 9.15am/2.15pm |
| Tues 15 Jan | 2.15pm |
| Thurs 17 Jan | 9.15am/2.15pm |
| Fri 18 Jan | 2.15pm |

The child's **full** birth certificate and **2** pieces of identification are required.



It's that time of year (believe it or not!) when the planning starts for the **P.7 Leavers' Party**. Thank you to those parents who attended an initial meeting with Mr. Campbell to discuss getting started. P7 are looking forward to discussing their ideas with you on Monday! The next meeting for parents/carers will be on Thursday 10th January, 7.30pm in the Burnside Hotel ~ please come along!

Community Links

Rutherglen Christmas Lights Switch On ~ Saturday 1 December, 2 pm.



Grow73 would like you to join them for a **Festive Singalong** at Overtoun Park Bandstand on Saturday 15th December, 4—5pm

CLUBS @ BURNSIDE

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| MONDAY | P.6 & 7 Football | 3.00—4.00pm |
| TUESDAY | P.7 J.A.M Club | Lunchtime |
| TUESDAY | P.6 & 7 Athletics | 3.00—4.00pm |
| WEDNESDAY | P.3 Multisports | Lunchtime |
| WEDNESDAY | P. 5-7 Dance | 3.00—4.00pm |
| THURSDAY | P.2 Boxercise | lunchtime |
| THURSDAY | P1-7 Gardening | Lunchtime |
| THURSDAY | P.6 & 7 Choir | 3.00—4.00pm |
| THURSDAY | P.4 Dodgeball | 3.00—4.00pm |
| FRIDAY | P.4 Tennis | Lunchtime |
| FRIDAY | P.3 Art Club | Lunchtime |
| FRIDAY | P.3 Family Yoga | 3.00—4.00pm |

Please remember no worry or concern is too small! You can contact us by phone or e-mail.



In line with GIRFEC (Getting it Right for Every Child) legislation, every child has a **Named Person** within school who has pastoral responsibility for them. I am the Named Person for Room 1 to 4, Mrs. McGovern looks after Rooms 5 to 8, while Mr. Campbell oversees Rooms 9 to 14. You can also use your child's home/school communication diary if easier.

As part of our ongoing commitment to Eco, we aim to use our new School App for most communication. This is also a quicker way to contact you in case of unforeseen circumstances such as a school closure.

School newsletters are posted on the school website and App at the beginning of each month.

