



Education Resources
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Dear parent/ carer,

Welcome to the November newsletter, where we find ourselves with 3 weeks to go until the school holidays! As you can imagine, this is a busy month and the classes are already in full-swing with their Christmas show rehearsals.

Staffing Updates

Some nice news to start us off! Our janitor, Mark Everett, welcomed a healthy baby boy at the beginning of the month with his partner- congratulations to the family!

Another important staffing update for us is that our Support Staff Team Leader, Joanne McLean, has made the difficult decision to move on to pastures new, and will not return to Burnside Primary. We will miss Joanne greatly and thank her for everything she has done for the school. We wish her all the best for her future endeavours. The recruitment process for a new Team Leader has started, and I will keep you informed as this process progresses.

Christmas Fayre

Our very own team of Christmas Elves (also known as the Parent Council!) have been hard at work sorting out arrangements for the Christmas Fayre. Thank you to everyone who has donated chocolates, toys or bottles. The fayre is set to be a great day, with home baking, a café, vendor stalls, pre-loved stalls, and even Santa's Grotto! We hope to see as many friends and families along as possible. The fayre is on **Saturday 6th December from 11am- 2pm**. We hope to see you there!

Author Visit

We recently had another successful author visit, this time from Claire Leonard. Claire is a local author who has written a beautiful book set in Overtoun Park. She will have a stall at the Christmas fayre, if you would like to see her story, and she has agreed to come back for a further visit around World Book Day in March.

School Library Update

For the past few years, the team of library volunteers has been led by Mrs. Alise Middleton. The time has now come for Mrs. Middleton to pass the torch to the very capable team, Mrs. Nicola Cameron and Miss Andrea Gyura. We would like to thank Mrs. Middleton for everything she has done for the library over the years, and how much the library has flourished under her leadership. We look forward to the next chapter, with our

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Post Box

The Christmas Post Box has arrived in school, operated by Room 10. If your child is bringing any cards, please ensure they have the recipients' first and surnames on them, and room number, to enable them to reach the right people.

Participatory Budget

Thank you for voting for how to spend this year's Participatory Budget. The votes are in, and I am delighted to announce that the money will be spend on enhancing creativity, through expressive arts workshops and resources.

Festive Arrangements

Christmas show tickets have been sent home this week. If you are missing your letter, or your tickets haven't arrived home as expected, please let us know.

Friday 5 th December	Dress rehearsal of P4 nativity – whole school @ 9:40
Saturday 6 th December	Christmas Fayre 11am- 2pm
Monday 8 th December	School Show for P4 families and guests only (1:45)
Tuesday 9 th December	P4 Nativity, featuring P5 – P7 singing Christmas songs (1:45)
Wednesday 10 th December	P4 Nativity, featuring P5 – P7 singing Christmas songs (2 showings, at 9:30 and 1:45)
Thursday 11 th December	P1- P3 Christmas Family Singalong (2 showings, 9:30 and 1:45) Christmas Dinner at lunchtime
w/b 15 th December	Parties (children can wear party clothes to school) Monday 15 th - P2 and P3 Tuesday 16 th - P4 Wednesday 17 th – P5 and P6 Thursday 18 th - P1 and P7
Tuesday 16 th December	Christmas Unwrapped for P6 (Chaplaincy Team)
Friday 19 th December	Winning House Treat 2:30 close
Monday 5 th January	Back to school 9am

We can also be reached via the school office on 0141 634 1916 (except between 11:40 – 12:20 when the office is closed for lunch), and we are usually in the playground at the start and end of the day. Please do get in touch if we can help with anything.

Kind regards,



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