



Dirleton Primary School

Dream it, Live it, Achieve it

School Newsletter



November 2019

Dear Parents

A reminder for all children to wear warm jackets and coats to enjoy playtimes at this time of year. It's getting cold outside!

Well done to our P5 children who prepared the latest 'Dirleton Matters Newspaper' that was recently shared with our community. If you haven't yet it read it please do so and enjoy their

Dirleton Matters

I have a few other matters to make you aware of also

Countdown to Christmas

We are now approaching December and all that December brings to school. Here are some key events that are scheduled on the countdown to Christmas.

School photographs – Individual and family photos will be taken on Monday 25th November; an excellent family stocking filler just in time for Christmas.

The Christmas lights of Dirleton village will be officially 'switched on' Thursday 5th December. Join the village at 6.30pm for a Christmas singalong and festive treats. A fire pit may be there but wrap up warm to keep the chill away.



Tuesday 10th December will be the day of our Christmas lunch in school (please ensure this is ordered in normal manner online on School pay) – all children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper or something festive on this day. The official Christmas jumper day is on Friday 13th December when those festive jumpers can make a reappearance, if last year's jumpers are too small, please, please, please send them in to school so they can be re-used and someone else can get the pleasure of wearing them over the Festive season. We are not looking for a

monetary donation to wear a Christmas jumper, instead we ask that if you are able, please contribute to our local CHRISTMAS APPEAL' (info attached).

The afternoon of Tuesday 10th December will see our infants retell the Christmas story and songs of the season performed by our other classes. The afternoon performance will begin at 1.40pm. The evening performance will be also be on Tuesday 10th December and will begin at 6.30pm. A separate letter has been sent out about the details of our Christmas show.

Our whole school visit to the Brunton panto will be on the afternoon of Thursday 12th Dec. As usual, this promises to be an exciting afternoon that will raise the Christmas temperature!

Friday 13th December is the day of our Christmas Fair. Our morning will begin at 11am when we will be entertained by the NBHS brass band who will play songs of the season, led by Mr Robb. Our Christmas fair will run from midday until 2pm. All welcome at our Christmas Fair – bring lots of pennies! And remember, the 13th is Christmas jumper day.

P1-P3s Christmas Party is on the afternoon of Monday 16th December with P4-7 having their Christmas Party on the afternoon of Wed 18th Dec – Children are welcome to wear party clothes to school but will have the personal responsibility to keep them clean in the morning!

And finally, the morning of Friday 20th Dec is when we will visit Dirleton Kirk to give thanks for our year – all welcome to attend this thanksgiving service from 11.35 – 12.35pm. Children will be dismissed from Dirleton Kirk on this last day of term as we begin the Christmas holidays.

B.Moody
Head Teacher

Christmas Appeal

As we approach Christmas, we are mostly very fortunate that we can look forward to this festive time and all that it brings. However, there are some families who find this time incredibly difficult. As a school community, we agreed to support such families and we now ask for your support to do so. We work closely with the community development team who are based out of North Berwick and through discussion with them, we would like to ask for your support in providing an act of kindness to support East Lothian families over the festive period. The community team in North Berwick are looking to fill a kindness cupboard for families. The value that we voted top when we reviewed our school values was kindness, so...

CAN YOU HELP?



Other dried foods such as pasta will also be very helpful.

Aside from the Christmas food list, we are also appealing for you to donate some Christmas cheer in the form of toys/gifts for young children right through to teenagers. Gifts/Toys should be new or nearly new (*in very good condition)

Any and all donations are gratefully received.

We will be donating what we gather on Tuesday 18th Dec.

Thank you in advance of your Christmas generosity.

Dates for your diary

November:

Monday 25th

School Photographs Individual and Family

Thursday 28th

P7 Pupils invited to Ceilidh at NBHS 6.00-7.30pm

December:

Thursday 5th

**P7 STEM (Science Technology Engineering Maths) trip to
Edinburgh College**

Tuesday 10th

Christmas Lunch in School

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Christmas Show at 1.40pm and 6.30pm

Thursday 12th

Cinderella Pantomime at Brunton Theatre (details to follow)

Friday 13th

Christmas Fair

Monday 16th

P1-3 Christmas Party pm

Wednesday 18th

P4-7 Christmas Party pm

Friday 20th

Thanksgiving Service at Dirleton Kirk 11.35-12.35

Friday 20th

School Holidays begin

January:

Tuesday 7th

In service Day

Wednesday 8th

Pupils return to School