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Weekly Newsletter

Diary Dates 2018-2019

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
Thursday 1 st November	Morning	P1 First Class Photo
Monday 12 th November	10.10 (P6) & 11.30 (P3)	P6 and P3 Sharing Assemblies
Tuesday 13 th November	All day	Pupil flu vaccinations
Tuesday 13 th November	5.00 – 8.00	Parent Interviews
Thursday 15 th November	4.00 – 6.00	Parent Interviews
Friday 16 th November	9.00 – 3.30	Inset Day 2
Monday 19 th November	10.10 (P5), 11.00 (P1) & 11.30 (P2)	P5, P2 & P1 Sharing Assemblies
Monday 3 rd December	1.30 pm	M&M Productions @ Riverbank (Cinderella)
Monday 10 th December	9.30 & 1.15	Christmas Concert - Primary 1
Monday 10 th December	11.00 & 2.00	Christmas Concert – Primary 2, 3 & 4
Tuesday 11 th December	9.30 & 2.00	Christmas Concert – Primary 5, 6 & 7
Wednesday 12 th December	12.00 – 2.00	Christmas Lunch – pupils
Wednesday 12 th December	6.30	Choir singing at St Machar Academy Christmas Concert
Thursday 13 th December	1.00 – 3.15	P1 Christmas Party
Friday 15 th December	1.00 – 3.15	P2 Christmas Party
Monday 17 th December	1.00 – 3.15	P3 Christmas Party
Tuesday 18 th December	1.00 – 3.15	P4 Christmas Party
Wednesday 19 th December	1.00 – 3.15	P5 Christmas Party
Thursday 20 th December	1.00 – 3.15	P6 Christmas Party
Friday 21 st December	1.00 – 3.15	P7 Christmas Party

Sharing assemblies – Monday 12th of November and Monday 19th November

You will see from the dates above that we will be having sharing assemblies for P1, P2, P3, P5 & P6 this term. We would be delighted for as many parents and family members to come along to these as possible. You will receive a personal invitation from your child with the specific details of their assembly.

Physical Education & Jewellery

We still have a few children who are not able to participate in PE as they are wearing jewellery that they cannot remove or cover up. It is not acceptable for children to miss out on PE for this reason, therefore please ensure that jewellery is either removed or can be 'taped up' by the child when they have PE.

Lost Property

A reminder that there is no longer a place for 'nameless' lost property in school. All named property will be returned to your child. Any unnamed property will be kept by the PTA until they can arrange a monthly sale of the items. We will advise you of when the first of these will be.

P7 Leavers' Event

As you are aware the school will be organising a P7 daytime leavers' event in June next year. Some parents have expressed an interest in fund raising and organising an evening event for the children. If you would be interested in supporting this please contact Carol Deans at cdeans@nhs.net

'First Class' – P1 photo

The children in P1 will be having their photograph taken for the 'First Class' edition of the Evening Express on Thursday 1st November. Should you not wish your child to be included in this please call the school before Wednesday 30th of October. We do not know when the photograph will appear in the newspaper.

Primary 1 break / lunchtime

At the moment our P1 children have their break time in our courtyard, they find playing together in this area much more enjoyable than in the large playground. We have reorganised our procedures at lunchtime to allow our P1 children to have their lunchtime break in the courtyard too. We will review this at the end of this term as ultimately we want all the children to be able to access the large playground.

Parent Interviews

You will receive a letter asking for you to identify a preferred date and time for an interview with your child's teacher. Please send these back as soon as possible so that we can organise the times. If we do not receive a preference from you we will allocate you a free time as every parent is allocated an appointment.

Christmas Concerts

Thank you to all the parents who took time to complete the online survey regarding the timings of the Christmas concerts.

Although the majority (57%) indicated they would like one morning and one evening performance, only 51% of parents were able to commit to their child attending an evening performance. The second most popular choice was the option of a morning and an afternoon performance.

Based on these results we would not be able to have an evening performance with only half of the children able to attend.

Therefore we will have a morning and afternoon performance for each concert. Due to the increased size of the school there will be 3 different performances.

There will be a P1 concert on Monday 10th December at 9.30 & 1.15, a P2,3 & 4 concert on Monday 10th December 11.00 & 2.00 and a P5, 6 & 7 concert on Tuesday 11th December 9.30 & 2.00.

We appreciate that these timings can make it difficult for working parents to attend but we hope that letting you know the dates and times this early may help you secure time off to attend your child's performance.