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### **In-Service Training Days**

We remind parents/carers that the school and ELC will be closed on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> and Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2018 for staff in-service training.

During these days, repairs will be carried out to the soft surface around the play equipment in the playground and as such will be out of bounds to all children. We ask that everyone stays away from the playground during these days. Also the surface at the back of the Annexe building will be resurfaced, please do not park at the back of the school building.

# Parents/carers Consultations with Teachers – November 2018

Reminder – parent/carer consultations take place on Monday12, Wednesday14 and Thursday 15 November 2018, we look forward to seeing you.

# Scholastic Book Fair

A book fair will be running during the week commencing 12<sup>th</sup> November 2018. Children will get the opportunity to visit the fair with their class and it will be open for parents during the above consultations (Monday 12<sup>th</sup> 4.30pm – 6.30pm, Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> 4pm – 6pm and Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> 3.45pm- 5.45pm). Please take note; it will **not** be open either before or after school.

### Enrolment for Primary One for session 2019/20

Enrolment for primary one for session 2018/19 will take place between **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> and Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2018**. Application packs will be issued to our existing nursery children. A copy of your child's birth certificate and proof of residence e.g. a driving licence, utility bill is required to be presented at the time of enrolment. Those who live out with the Melrose Primary School catchment area are asked to enrol their child at the catchment school appropriate for their home address, also complete and return a placing request form to Melrose Primary School. Failure to enrol at the catchment school will mean the placing request form for your child <u>will not</u> be considered by Scottish Borders Council.

Further information can be found on Scottish Borders Council's website using the following link – https://www.scotborders.gov.uk/downloads/file/644/information\_for\_parents\_about\_school\_admissions

### Enrolment for Earlston High School 2019/20 (current P7)

Families who live **out with** the catchment area for Earlston High School and wish a child to be enrolled at Earlston High School must complete a placing request form to be received by Earlston High School as soon as possible but **no later than 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019**. Placing request forms are available from Earlston High School. Children who live **within** Earlston High School catchment area will receive information packs and enrolment forms in the summer term. Further information is also available for children transferring to secondary school using the above link.

### **Remembrance Sunday**

Primary 7 pupils will be representing Melrose Primary School at the Remembrance Service at the War Memorial on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2018; all pupils and families are invited to attend.

### **Halloween Parties**

Thank you to the Friends of Melrose Primary School for organising and running the Halloween parties and to the children who came along and enjoyed them. Thanks also to all the parents who supported with the running of the event. It was a spooktacular success, approximately £540 was raised.

### Assemblies

Assemblies take place on Thursdays from 2.30-3.00pm, unless otherwise stated. Parents/carers are invited to attend assemblies involving their children as listed below:

- 22 November 2018 P4
- 29 November 2018 St Andrews day P2 year group
- Wednesday 12 December P1 year group Nativity show at 2pm & 6pm
- 21 December 2018 Christmas P5 year group in the Parish church 9.30am
- 24 January 2019 Burns P6 year group
- 31 January 2019 P3/4
- 14 February 2019 P1M
- 28 February 2019 P7H

- 7 March 2019 P7R
- 14 March 2019 P1H
- 21 March 2019 P3
- 29 March 2019 Easter/Spring P4 year group in the Parish Church 9.30am
- 2 May 2019 P2J
- 9 May 2019 P5
- 6 June 2019 P6Z
- 27 June 2019 P2Z

# **Diary Dates**

School closures, changes and new events are highlighted in bold writing. Thursday 8 – Friday 9 Nov 2018 Staff In-Service Training Days – school/ELC closed for pupils Monday 12 November 2018 Parents Consultations with Teachers Wednesday 14 November 2018 Parents Consultations with Teachers Thursday 15 Nov 2018 Parents Consultations with Teachers Flu Immunisations Wednesday 21 November 2018 Friends of Melrose Primary School Meeting – 7pm in school Monday 3 Dec 2018 **St Andrews Day Holiday** Melrose Primary School Christmas stalls & singing 1.15-3.15pm Thursday 6 December 2018 Wednesday 12 December 2018 P1 Nativity Show 2pm and 6pm Monday 17 December 2018 P2 and P5 Christmas Parties, P7 Christmas Party (6.30pm - 8.15pm) Tuesday 18 December 2018 P3 and P4 Christmas Parties Wednesday 19 December 2018 P1 and P6 Christmas Parties Thursday 20 December 2018 Christmas Lunch Friday 21 December 2018 Christmas Church Service led by P5 - 9.30 am Monday 24 Dec – Fri 6 Jan 2019 School Holiday Friday 15 February 2019 Staff In-Service Training Day – school/ELC closed for pupils Monday 18 – Wednesday Feb 2019 School Holidays Friday 29 March 2019 Easter/Spring Church Service led by P4 - 9.30am Monday 1 – Friday 12 April 2019 School Holidays Friday 19 April 2019 Good Friday Holiday - school closed Friday 3 May 2019 Staff In-Service Training Day – school/ELC closed for pupils Monday 6 May 2019 May Day Holiday Parents Consultations with Teachers Monday 20 May 2019 Wednesday 22 May 2019 Parents Consultations with Teachers Parents Consultations with Teachers Thursday 23 May 2019 Thursday 30 May 2019 Summer Fair Monday 3 June 2019 Holidav Wednesday 5 June 2019 Sports Dav Tuesday 11 June 2019 Alternate Sports Day (if cancelled previous week) Wed 12 & Thurs 13 June 2019 P7 Familiarisation Visits to Earlston High School Sunday 16 - Saturday 22 June 2019 Melrose Festival Week P1 – P4 Potted Sports Wednesday 26 June 2019 Thursday 27 June 2019 P5 – P7 Sports Festival P7 Leavers Assembly Tuesday 2 July 2019 School closes at normal time for summer holidays Staff In-Service Training Day – school/ELC closed for pupils Monday 19 August 2019 Tuesday 20 August 2019 School re-opens for new session

# FORTHCOMING EVENTS/ACTIVITES