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Christmas Church Service

Thank you to the Primary 5 year group for leading the Christmas church. The collection raised £182.34 which will be donated to Aberlour Scotland Children's charity.

Melrose Rotary Club – Christmas Art Competition

The Rotary club were delighted with the response to their Christmas Art Competition; they hope to run this as an annual event.

The competition was judged by David Hay, a local artist and former Art Teacher. We are delighted to announce the winners who will have their prizes presented at a forthcoming Friday Fix;

Age 4/5 winner – Joseph Taylor, highly commended – Ada Cocozza

Age 6/7 winner – Javie Unibazo, highly commended – Claire Gordon

Age 8/9 winner - Sahara Maycock, highly commended - Jamie Cathrow

Age 10/11 winner – Alistair Broomfield, highly commended – Amelie Ireland

P1 Nativity

Congratulations to the P1 pupils for their production of Ralph the Reindeer nativity. Thank you all who supported the pupils particularly the staff and parents/carers.

Enrolment for Early Learning and Childcare for session 2019/20

Enrolment for ELC (nursery) for session 2019/20 will take place between **Monday 14th to Friday 18th January 2019**. Application packs will be issued to our existing ante preschool 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.

Changes to Severe Weather Protocol

Information was emailed to parents on 11th December 2018 regarding the changes to severe weather arrangements. Anyone who did not receive this information should contact the school office.

Friends of Melrose Primary School (formerly Parent Council)

The next meeting of the Friends of Melrose Primary School will be held on Wednesday 16th January 2019 at 7pm in the main school building, all welcome.

Internet Shopping

Please remember to consider using Easy Fundraising to help raise funds for the school if you are making online purchases especially with any online holiday bookings. To register go to:

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/melroseprimary

The site is a referral platform which goes to the online store - every time a purchase is made by a registered user, the school will receive a donation from the store. This is a FREE and SIMPLE way of raising money for the school. Thank you to everyone who used this when purchasing gifts for Christmas, we appreciate your continued support.

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:

- 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.

Monday 24 Dec – Fri 6 Jan 2019 **School Holiday** Monday 14 – 18 January 2019 Enrolment for ELC (nursery) Wednesday 16 January 2019 Friends of Melrose Primary School Meeting - 7pm Monday 28 January 2019 School Photographer for Class photos Friday 15 February 2019 Staff In-Service Training Day – school/ELC closed for pupils Wednesday 6th March 2019 Friends of Melrose Primary School Meeting – 7pm 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 Friends of Melrose Primary School Meeting – 7pm Wednesday 24 April 2019 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 Parents Consultations with Teachers Wednesday 22 May 2019 Thursday 23 May 2019 Parents Consultations with Teachers Thursday 30 May 2019 Summer Fair Holiday Monday 3 June 2019 Wednesday 5 June 2019 Sports Day Tuesday 11 June 2019 Alternate Sports Day (if cancelled previous week) Wednesday 12 June 2019 Friends of Melrose Primary School Meeting – 7pm 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 P5 - P7 Sports Festival Thursday 27 June 2019 Tuesday 2 July 2019 P7 Leavers Assembly School closes at normal time for summer holidavs Monday 19 August 2019 Staff In-Service Training Day – school/ELC closed for pupils Tuesday 20 August 2019 School re-opens for new session

FORTHCOMING EVENTS/ACTIVITES

Rev Rosie Frew, Melrose Parish Church invites you to the following Christmas services:-24th December 2018 Family Christingle Service at 6pm in Melrose Parish Church Watchnight Service in Bowden Kirk and Melrose Parish Church, both at 11.15pm 25th December 2018 Family Christmas Service in Bowden Kirk at 9.30am and Melrose Parish Church at 11.00am