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### **Melrose Primary School Christmas Markets and Singing**

Parents/carers are invited to Melrose Primary School Christmas Markets and Singing on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2019 1.15pm – 3.00pm. Children will be dismissed at 3.15 pm as normal. Further information will be sent nearer the time.

### **Christmas Lunch**

Our Christmas lunch will be held on **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2019**. Orders for a Christmas lunch must be placed by **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2019** through Parentpay. The choices are: a traditional turkey dinner or a vegetarian Christmas log (puff pastry roll filled with quorn, vegetables and tomato sauce).

Please note there will not be a soup/sandwich option available on that day.

Children and staff are invited to wear a 'touch of Christmas' on the day.

### **Melrose Rotary Christmas Art Competition**

Following on from the success of last year's competition, Melrose Rotary Club have invited pupils to participate in their Christmas Art Competition "Christmas Morning in Melrose".

All entries must be done on specific card which is available upon request from the school office. The reverse of the card must be signed by a parent/guardian and handed into the school office by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

All entries will be displayed in The Gallery at the top of Market Square with prizes for the winners of each age group.

The Rotary hope to use the overall winning entry as a design for a Christmas card which will go on sale next year.

### **School Closures in Adverse Weather**

Please remember to keep the school updated with any changes to mobile telephone numbers and also any changes to email addresses too just in case there's a need to close the school in adverse weather conditions.

### **Fund raising**

**Melrose Primary School's lottery** - the lottery is open to all, anyone over the age of 16 can join. Please spread the word, already we have had two lucky winners!

Visit: [www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/play](http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/play)

### **Easy fundraising - a free and simple way of raising funds for the school**

Register with Easy Fundraising to raise funds for school without contributing yourself! If you are making online purchases all you need to do is to register [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/melroseprimary](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/melroseprimary) Once registered all you need to do when you shop on line is to sign into the Easy Fundraising site before starting to shop. You then shop in the normal way; the retailer automatically makes a contribution to school funds. You can upload a donation reminder so you don't forget!

### **Fundraising Bake Sales**

The schedule for the remainder of the year is below; ideally we will have a couple of parents/carers from each year to organise their sale. If you can help out with this please email Amanda at [ajrobinsonx@gmail.com](mailto:ajrobinsonx@gmail.com).

**Friday 24 January P4**

**Friday 28 February P3**

**Friday 3 April P7**

**Friday 24 April P6**

**Friday 22 May tbc**

### **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 the parents who supported with the running of the parties. After expenses have been paid, the event raised £423.

### **Children in Need**

Thank you to all children and staff who dazzled us with their rainbow outfits and to those who donated to Children in Need – we raised a total of £403.70 for the charity.

### **Assemblies**

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

## Class assemblies

Class assemblies are part of our reporting procedures as they are an opportunity for learners to share their learning with parent/carers. Class assembly dates will be shared with parents/carers at least 4 weeks in advance through the School App and in the School Newsletter.

## Year group assembly dates:

- 28 November 2019 – St Andrews Day Assembly led by P2 year group
- 19 December 2019 – Christmas Church Service led by P5 year group
- 23 January 2020 – Burns Assembly led by P6 year group
- 3 April 2020 – Easter Church Service led by P4 year Group

## Diary Dates

**School closures, changes and new events are highlighted in bold writing.**

### Monday 2 Dec 2019

Thursday 5 December 2019

### Monday 9 December 2019

Wednesday 11 December 2019

Thursday 12 December 2019

Monday 16 December 2019

Tuesday 17 December 2019

Wednesday 18 December 2019

Thursday 19 December 2019

### Friday 20 Dec – Fri 3 Jan 2020

Friday 24 January 2020

### Friday 14 February 2020

Friday 28 February 2020

### Monday 17 – Wednesday 19 Feb 2020

Friday 3 April 2020

Friday 3 April 2020

### Monday 6 – Friday 17 April 2020

Friday 24 April 2020

### Thursday 7 May 2020

### Friday 8 May 2020

Monday 18 May 2020

Wednesday 20 May 2020

Thursday 21 May 2020

Friday 22 May 2020

Monday 1 June 2020

Wednesday 3 June 2020

Tuesday 9 June 2020

Wed 10 and Thurs 11 June 2020

Sunday 14 – Saturday 20 June 2020

Wednesday 24 June 2020

Thursday 25 June 2020

Tuesday 30 June 2020

### Wednesday 1 July 2020

### Monday 17 August 2020

Tuesday 18 August 2020

### St Andrews Day Holiday

Christmas Fundraiser

### Flu Immunisations for P3 – P7 children

P1 Nativity Show 2pm and 6pm

P4 and P5 Christmas Parties

P2 and P3 and P7 Christmas Parties

P1 and P6 Christmas Parties

Christmas Lunch

Christmas Church Service led by P5 – 9.30 am

### School Holiday

Fundraising Bake Sale led by P4 year group

### Staff In-Service Training Day – school/ELC closed for pupils

Fundraising Bake Sale led by P3 year group

### School Holidays

Fundraising Bake Sale led by P7 year group

Easter/Spring Church Service led by P4 – 9.30am

### School Holidays

Fundraising Bake Sale led by P6 year group

### Staff In-Service Training Day – school/ELC closed for pupils

### May Day Holiday

Parents Consultations with Teachers

Parents Consultations with Teachers

Parents Consultations with Teachers

Fundraising Bake Sale

Holiday

Sports Day

Alternate Sports Day (if cancelled previous week)

P7 Familiarisation Visits to Earlston High School

Melrose Festival Week

P1 – P4 Potted Sports

P5 – P7 Sports Festival

P7 Leavers Assembly

School closes at normal time for summer holidays

### Summer holiday

### Staff In-Service Training Day – school/ELC closed for pupils

School re-opens for new session

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

### Melrose Churches Together

Melrose Churches together invite you to their Christmas Messy Church in the Parish Church hall on Sunday 8th December from 3.00- 5.00 p.m. Crafts, games, songs, food and fun for all. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

On Sunday 15th December, there will be a Family Service in the Parish Church hall, starting at 10.00 a.m. and lasting for 30 minutes. This informal style of worship includes singing and a story, with juice at the end. All are welcome at both events.

### Melrose Rotary Christmas Parade and Carol Singing

This event will be held on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2019. Please meet in West End Lane at 5.30pm; the parade will follow the Melrose Pipe Band up to the Square where carols will be sung around the Christmas tree at 6pm. After the carol singing, Santa may be available to speak to in his grotto! Mince pies, mulled wine and juice will be available.

All children **must** be accompanied by an adult.