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April

Newsletter



**Last Day of Term: Friday 4th April**

**Easter Holidays: Monday 7th – Friday 18th April**

**Message from Mrs Finn**

Planning for the temporary management structure

As you know we will be moving to a temporary management arrangement from the 6th May. I want to reassure you that we are beginning to plan this change now. I have had a meeting with Mr Wilson (Head Teacher) and Mrs Douglas (Principal Teacher) from Yetholm and Morebattle last week to begin planning how I can effectively support all 3 schools over the next few months.

We will have further meetings after the holidays to plan the transition to ensure this goes smoothly. I will then be in touch to give you details of how the management will work over the three schools. Until then, if you have any questions, please just get in touch in the usual way.

**Open Afternoon**

Thank you to all of you who joined us for our open afternoon. It was great to see you all and share some maths and craft activities with you.

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**Edinburgh Museum Trip**

We had a great educational and fun day out to the National Museum of Scotland with Ednam’s P5 and P6 pupils.

Thank you to the Parent Council who paid for the bus for us.

   

**Library Bus**

Our next visit will be on Wednesday 23rd April. Please make sure that your child/ren bring their books back to return.

**Lunches**

Please continue to book lunches at least 2 weeks in advance. The further in advance you can book the better!

**Clothing Grant/Free School Meal renewals for Academic term starting August 2025.**

**Clothing Grant applications have now closed as of 31 March 2025 for the 2024/25 Academic year.  New Free School meal only applications can still be made as normal until the start of summer holiday using our online form.  Details of current criteria and an application form can be found here –** [**www.scotborders.gov.uk/fsm**](http://www.scotborders.gov.uk/fsm)

**Parents/Guardians who have already applied/are entitled to Free School Meals and/or a Clothing Grant for the 2024/2025 Academic year will be issued a renewal letter inviting them to re-apply roughly around mid May-June 2025.  This will provide full details on the renewal process.**

**Garden Centre Vouchers**

Please remember if you make a purchase at any Klondyke garden centre, including Kelso, you can ask for ‘gardens for schools’ vouchers.

You will receive a gardens for schools voucher for every £10 spent in a single transaction in the Garden Centre or Coffee Shop.

For every 250 vouchers we collect we will get a £100 garden centre voucher.

**You do have to ask for them though.**

At the moment we have **220**! Thank you to those who have been collecting them and sending them in.

**Spare trousers and indoor shoes**

Could all children please have a pair of indoor shoes to keep in school at all times. Also a spare pair of trousers or waterproof trousers that they can keep in their bags in case they need to change out of wet or muddy clothes.

**Please remember to send children to school with a water bottle and a suitable coat for the weather, also hats and gloves are advisable**

**Please make sure that your child has something healthy for a mid morning snack at school. Please keep chocolate bars / sweets / haribos for home treats. Thank you for your cooperation with this.**

**Parent Council Meetings**

Tuesday 20th May - 2.30pm

Please remember to look regularly at the School Website / Facebook page for information, news and messages and don’t forget to use Easy Fundraising for online purchases ☺

    

**Dates for your diary**

27th May – Parents Evening

9th June PM – Sports Day

16th June PM – Back up Sports Day

19th June – Celebration Assembly

**School term dates for 2024-25**

* Friday 4 April 2025 - Last day of term

Easter holidays

* Monday 7 April to Friday 18 April 2025

Summer term

* Monday 21 April 2025 - Term starts

Mid-term holidays

* Monday 5 May 2025 - May Day holiday, schools closed
* Tuesday 6 May 2025 - Staff resume, In service day
* Wednesday 7 May 2025 - Pupils resume
* Wednesday 25 June 2025 - Last day of term