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January Newsletter



We have welcomed Miss Bethany Jamieson as our new Principal Teacher. She has already made a great impression on us all. She will be in class on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and Ms Gilroyd will continue to teach on a Wednesday. We are looking forward to her enhancing our outdoor learning space and benefitting from her wealth of experience of STEM and play pedagogy.



Parent Council Christmas 50/50 Lottery and Raffle

We raised £165.00 for the school with the 50/50 lottery and £606.00 with the Christmas raffle and the Kelso Farmers Market tombola. Thank you to everyone who contributed to prizes and who bought tickets. A great result for the Parent Council's funds which will be put to good use for all our pupil's benefit.

Showbie

Miss Jamieson has set up a new parent/carer group on Showbie. This link will allow you to join and see updates, photos and information about learning throughout the week.

<https://communities.showbie.com/EHYP27>

Code: **EHYP27**

If you have any problems accessing this please let us know.

Change to PE days

Our second weekly session of PE will be on Wednesdays from now on, instead of Thursdays. Please send children in wearing PE clothes on Monday and Wednesday.

RAG BAG Collection

We made £35.40 for the school with the latest Rag Bag collection. Thank you to those who use the bin to recycle old clothes etc.

Library Bus

Our next visit will be on Monday 2nd February. Please make sure that your child/ren bring all outstanding books back to return.

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Our second weekly session of PE will be on Wednesdays from now on, instead of Thursdays. Please send children in wearing PE clothes on Monday and Wednesday.

Save the Children

We managed to raise £25.50 for Save the Children with our 'Wear something Christmassy day'. Thank you to everyone who bought a donation in.

Lunches

Please continue to book lunches for at least 2 weeks in advance please.

Spare clothes

Could all children please have a change of clothes that they can keep in their bags in case they need to change out of wet or muddy clothes during the school day.

Please send children to school with a water bottle and raincoat.

In line with Scottish Borders Council and Scottish Governments Healthy Schools guidance Water bottles must contain water only please and **not juice**.

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.

Playground supervision is from 8.25 – 8.40 before school starts. We ask that children do not come to school before this time.

Parking

Reminder that there is no parking for parents in the school grounds. Parents should park along Dean Road and walk with children to the school. Please do not park on the grass.

Nametags

Please remember if you order nametags through this website to quote the schools ID number which is: 30388

www.mynametags.com

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



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

1st June – Parents Evening
8th June PM – Sports Day
15th June PM – Back up Sports Day



Winter/Spring term

- Monday 5 January 2026 - Term starts, all resume

Mid-term holiday

- Friday 13 February 2026 - last day of term for pupils
- Monday 16 - Friday 20 February 2026 - Mid-term holiday
- Monday 23 February 2026 - In service day
- Thursday 2 April 2026 - last day of term for pupils and staff

Easter holidays

Friday 3 to Friday 17 April 2026

Summer term

- Monday 20 April 2026 - Term starts, all resume

Mid-term holidays

- Monday 4 May 2026 - May Day holiday, schools closed
- Tuesday 5 May 2026 - Staff resume, in service day
- Wednesday 6 May 2026 - Pupils resume
- Thursday 2 July 2026 - last day of term for pupils and staff