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December Newsletter



We welcome our newest pupil – Evie - who has joined us in P2. She has settled in really well and has made lots of new friends.

Morrisons It's Good to Grow

A huge thank you to everyone who contributed to this scheme. We managed to get 2286 grow tokens which is a fantastic amount. With these tokens we have ordered lots of great gardening equipment for the school. We have ordered:

Digging Spade	675 Grow Tokens
Telescopic Broom	270 Grow Tokens
Hand Fork	100 Grow Tokens
Hand Trowel	100 Grow Tokens
Child's Broom	345 Grow Tokens
Child's Rake	415 Grow Tokens
Green Basics Trough 60cm	145 Grow Tokens
Watering Can 5LTR Medium	195 Grow Tokens
Child's Hand Trowel	40 Grow Tokens

We will receive these items between January and March, so we will be able to do lots of gardening in our lovely grounds in the spring with our new tools.

Remembrance Day







We did lots of 'poppy' inspired work for Remembrance Day within our literacy and numeracy lessons. The children learnt lots of facts about poppies, the history of them and why we wear them.

We visited the war memorial in the village to look at the names written on it and think about what that meant, then we had our minutes silence looking at the beautiful poppies that the children had created in their art lesson and thinking about all that we had learnt.

Kyle and Faye did a great job representing the school at the towns Remembrance parade.

Thank you to everyone who bought a donation in, we raised £10.90 to send in to Poppyscotland.



Pick up Time

Due to a change in timetable, the days when Mrs Finn is not here, sometimes the class teacher can be the only person in the school as Mrs Ashby finishes at 3.15pm, for this reason it is vital you pick your children up promptly at home time. We appreciate that sometimes due to situations out of your control you may be running late, in these circumstances can you please call in and let us know. Thank you for your co-operation.

Please remember that the car park is for the use of staff only and other than Castlegate and parents who have been given special permission to park there, no other cars should be using that area at drop off and pick up times. Please also note that cars should not be blocking the road at pick up time, please park on the village green and walk down to collect your child. Thank you for your cooperation.

Trip to 'Field to Fork'

We have postponed this trip until the new year. Details will be sent out at a later date.

Christmas Play

Unfortunately due to covid restrictions we cannot invite parents in to the building to watch this year, so we will be videoing it and sharing it with you through our YouTube channel. A link will be sent out when it is ready to view. Grab your popcorn and snuggle up together to watch the show!

Other things we have planned for the children running up to Christmas are;		
Christmas themed learning activities	Throughout December	
Wear something Christmassy Day / Christmas Jumper Day (Please bring in a donation for Save the Children if you can)	Friday 10 th December	
Christmas scavenger hunt event led by House Captains	Monday 20 th December	
Christmas Lunch - please login to ParentPay to book this for your child/ren asap so that we can get an idea of numbers ahead of time. Thank you.	Tuesday 21 st December	
Christmas Party	Wednesday 22 nd December	
Christmas Movie and PJ Day	Thursday 23 rd December	



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Xpressions App

A reminder to download this app if you have not already done so as this is the best and quickest way to send and receive messages to and from the school. You get an instant notification if there is a message to look at, it really is a great app to have to keep connected to the school.

Reminders:

We are still collecting milk bottle tops for cancer research and empty crisp packets for the school, so please keep sending these in.

Dates for your Diary

Tues 31st May - 3.30pm Thurs 2nd June (AM) Thurs 16th June (AM) Mon 27th June

Parents Evening. Sports Day. Back up Sports Day Celebration Assembly

Please remember to look regularly at the School Website / Facebook / Twitter pages for information, news and messages and don't forget to use Easy Fundraising for online purchases ©













School term dates for 2021-22 <u>Autumn term</u>

- Monday 16 Aug 2021 Staff resume, in service day
- Tuesday 17 Aug 2021 In service day
- Wednesday 18 Aug 2021 Pupils resume
- Friday 8 Oct 2021 Last day for pupils and staff mid term holiday
- Monday 18 Oct 2021 Staff resume, in service day
- Tuesday 19 Oct 2021 Pupils resume
- Monday 29 Nov 2021 St Andrews Days schools closed
- Tuesday 30 Nov 2021 All resume
- Thursday 23 Dec 2021 Last day of term for pupils and staff

Winter term

- Monday 10 Jan 2022 All resume
- Friday 11 Feb 2022 Last day for pupils February holiday
- Monday 14 Feb 2022 Last day for staff, in service day February holiday
- Monday 21 Feb 2022 All resume
- Friday 1 Apr 2022 Last day of term for pupils and staff

Summer term

- Monday 18 Apr 2022 All resume
- Monday 2 May 2022 May day holiday, school closed
- Tuesday 3 May 2022 Staff resume, in service day
- Wednesday 4 May 2022 Pupils resume
- Friday 3 June 2022 Queen's Platinum Jubilee Holiday
- Thursday 30 June 2022 Last day of term for pupils and staff

Casual holidays

Each <u>learning community</u> allocates two casual holidays for pupils and staff which are usually aligned to their local festivals.

Cheviot

- Friday 8 Oct 2021
- Monday 30 May 2022

