

December 2018

NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers and community of Our Lady's RC Primary School,

Christmas is upon us!!

The children are very excited about their upcoming show and rehearsals are well under way. Their singing is sounding fantastic and we are looking forward to you joining us for their performances.

Thank you to all who have contributed to the class Christmas Hampers so far.—they are looking wonderful! The final date for items to be handed in will be Tuesday 11th December.

Thank you also for your support in maintaining our high standards of uniform. The children are looking very smart and it really adds to our sense of community.

Following your input on the school's Values the Pupil Council have been working towards finalising these. We look forward to sharing these with you in the New Year.

Many thanks, as always, for your support of our school.

Mrs Lynne Mendes, Acting Headteacher

Staffing Update

We said a fond farewell to Mrs Roberts who worked with P2/3 on a Friday last month. We welcome Mrs Terry back who will work with the class instead.

Mr Adamson, who has been absent for some time, has now retired. The children will lead an Assembly for him later this week to thank him for his contribution to the Our Lady's community during his time at the school.

We also wish Mrs Scott, our ELCC teacher, good luck for her Maternity Leave which will commence at the Christmas Break.

School App

Following parental consultation on the best ways of communication last session we are pleased to have our new App up and running. The App will allow us to keep you up to date

Primary School App

more easily on what is happening in our school with dates, news and events. Follow the links below to download.



Our Lady's RC Primary School & ELCC App iTunes Link: https://goo.gl/hQt1t2





Our Lady's RC Primary School & ELCC Google Play Link: https://goo.gl/V6aQ6y

Alternatively, you can scan the QR Code. In the messages section, you can filter messages so that you only receive those which are relevant to your child/children.

We will also be launching our new website in the New Year which will allow you another way to access information.

Parish Links



Primary 4 led us in a lovely
Assembly for Remembrance Day at
the start of November and P3
started the season of Advent for us
yesterday as they renewed their
Baptismal Promises. Thank you to
all who attended, including Class



teachers and parents who supported the children with preparation.

On Sunday the 18th November our P7 pupils made their Confirmation. This was a lovely service led by Bishop Robson and Fr Colin. Thank you to Mrs Jones for preparing the children and to the parents who supported.







BÖCAT FREE BOOKS FOR SCHOOLS SUM BÖCAT

Big Cat Tokens

Thanks to our parents and wider community, we surpassed the number of tokens required for The Sun Newspaper Big Cat Book scheme. We look forward to the books arriving in school!

Vision, Values and Aims

At Parent Contact evenings our House Captains asked parents their opinions on what values were important for life at Our Lady's. Our staff focussed on this during the In-Service Days and this resulted in a survey being sent to parents. Mrs Brown and our Pupil Council have collated all the information and are now looking at creating our school's Vision, Values and Aims. Their aim is to make this pupil friendly so that all of our children can engage with it. We look forward to sharing these with you early in Term 3.







Please take note of the following dates. We will keep you informed of any changes and update you of new dates early in the new term.

Date	Day	Event
06.12.18	Thursday	P5 'Curling's Cool' session (in school)
11.12.18	Tuesday	Last Day for Hamper Donations
12.12.18	Wednesday	P1-P7 'Wizard of Oz' at Pitlochry Theatre
13.12.18	Thursday	P5s at 'Curling's Cool'
		'Straw and Order' P1-P7 Christmas Show
14.12.18	Friday	Performances at 10am & 2 pm
		P1-P7 Christmas Lunch
		P1 & P1/2 Christmas Party (am)
18.12.18	Tuesday	ELCC Christmas Party (pm)
		P2/3 & P3/4 Christmas Party (am)
19.12.18	Wednesday	P4 & P5 Christmas Party (pm)
		All P6s Christmas Party (am)
		All P7s Christmas Party (pm)
20.12.18	Thursday	P5s at 'Curling's Cool'
		Christmas Jumper Day—50p donation for MISSIO please
		11am—Mass—all welcome
21.12.18	Friday	12noon—End of Term 2—Merry Christmas!

THEATRE VISIT—Wizard of Oz

As you will be aware the whole school will be visiting Pitlochry Festival Theatre on Wednesday 12th December 2018 to see the production of The Wizard of Oz.

Please note we have been advised by the theatre that this show will not finish until 4.30 pm, this will mean that children will not return to school until 5.30pm approx depending on the roads.

A message will be sent via the School App when we leave Pitlochry to update you on our return time.

Children will be served lunch from 11.45am on this date as we will be leaving school at 12.45pm to arrive in plenty time at the theatre.

The Parent Council have kindly donated a bottle of water and a packet of Haribo for the children during the interval of the show. The school will provide an apple for each child to have on the journey home from Pitlochry.

For safety reasons, when we return to school all children will enter the school building and will be dismissed from school via their usual exit points. However, P1 and P1/2 will leave the school via the main foyer entrance.

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