



# Calside News

8<sup>th</sup> November 2024

## Class Newsletters

The class newsletters for this term will be shared on the Class Sways today, and can also be found on the school website "Calside Courier" on the Newsletters page. These give an overview of learning for this term, as well as key dates for your child/ren's class.

## P7 Transition Activities

P7 have another busy term this term, and P7 parents should have received information about the Health and Wellbeing Day at Dumfries High School on 12<sup>th</sup> November. Please contact Mr McIlorum if you have any queries.

The high schools will also be holding their P7 information evenings in November, and we encourage P7 parents to attend with their child so you can make an informed decision about the high school that will suit your child best.

## Children In Need

We will be celebrating Children In Need on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November. We appreciate that the children have already had costumes this term, so the children are invited to come to school in their jammies, should they wish to do so. We will collect donations for Children In Need, and be doing special activities in school during the day.



## Learner Conferences

Learner conferences will be held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November. Letters were sent out in the maildrop last week. Teachers will meet this coming week to co-ordinate appointment times for families, and the appointments will be sent out next Friday.

## Come and Join Us



Our next Come and Join Us session will be on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November, and will give you the chance to see how we are developing the meta-skills in class. If there is an area of the curriculum you feel it would be useful to focus on for a Come and Join Us session, please let us know.

## Volunteers in School

We always welcome any extra pairs of hands for help in classes: if you can spare an hour a week, or know of a grandparent who may like to join us, please let your child's class teacher know. The extra help makes a real difference.



## Christmas Arrangements

Dates for Christmas activities as they currently stand were sent in the maildrop last week, and can also be found on the school website "Calside Courier" on the Dates for Your Diary page. We will send further details as to the arrangements soon, including details for tickets for the Christmas performances.

## Christmas Jumpers

Lots of children (and staff) like to wear their festive jumpers, accessories and clothing as we get near to Christmas. This can be done from 1<sup>st</sup> December onwards: too early, and the excitement in school can be too high, too soon! If you have Christmas jumpers that your child has grown out of, and is still in good condition, please consider donating them to school so that everyone who wants to join in can do so. We will then run a Swap Shop if possible.



## Halloween Costumes



Similarly, if you have costumes from Halloween or other fancy dress that your child has grown out of, and is still in good condition, please consider donating them to school. Many thanks to those parents who have already donated: these are already being put to good use!