



Hollywood News - December



Important!

Please keep us up to date with e-mail addresses and mobile numbers as more than ever we are relying on these paper free methods to communicate with home! Getting news to you faster and more effectively than pupil mail bags!!



A huge thank you to everyone who helped to make the school show a huge success.

Thanks again to the staff team for all the extra hours and input—we really couldn't do it without you!!

Please find some photos on the back page of this newsletter!

Still stuffed from Christmas Lunch?

No wonder—what a spread Mrs Dawson put on with the help of Ms Marshall—thank you for all your hard work ladies!

Thank you to the Parent Council who bought all the crackers, desserts and short bread. They also bought a wee bottle of sparkly juice to say thank you to Mrs Dawson and Ms Marshall.

Thank you to Larsson's gran for lending us the serving trays—sparkly juice for you too!

Thank you to the staff team for setting up and serving up - Mrs Moore I promise the chairs are not coming out of the shed for a while!

Well done to P4-7 pupils who peeled and prepared all the vegetables for the Christmas Lunch. Putting their food technology skills to good use. Excellent carrot batons everyone!

Please Remember...

The school will close on Friday 21st December for the Christmas Holidays :-)

We will reopen on Monday 7th January at 9am when hard work will resume.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all our families and friends of Holywood a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year - ***Lang may yer lum reek!***

P5-7 Residential

Pupils in the P5-7 class will be heading to Carling Wark (Castle Douglas) for an overnight residential at the end of January 2019.

On day one they will go on a full day Hill walk. On day two they will mountain bike and go orienteering.

They will stay over night at the Dumfries and Galloway Outdoor Education Centre and will have dinner at the Scot's Pantry in the High Street.

Forms for the residential will be with you at the start of the term.

Costs - As usual we are going to use the money the pupils raised from the school show to fund part of the residential trip. Did you know that we have been doing that every second year for the past 9 years?

The trip costs £53 per pupil The school are paying £28 per pupil Parents are asked to pay £25 per pupil

We know that January can be a tight month following Christmas—please note that there will be no rush to pay for the outing. Please stop in for a chat with Miss Dale if you want to discuss costs or the trip further.

School Improvement Comment Board—coming in the New Year!

At the start of next term each family will receive a School Improvement Comment Board. Please have a good old chat about the items on the comment board and when the arguments (*I mean discussions!*) fade could you note down the key points and return them to us.

It is important that we hear from as many families as possible so that we know what is working and what we need to improve for our learners, our families and our community!

School Dinners



Mrs Dawson has been asked to try and increase the number of pupils taking school dinners. We have decided to ask the children what they like and don't like about the lunches.

We will conduct a big lunch survey after the holidays.

It would be great if parents could also let us know what would increase the appeal of school lunches.

We will be meeting with Mrs Dickie from DGFirst in January and would like to take your views along with us.

Active Schools News

Jacqui Byers is our Active Schools Co-ordinator and each term she meets with staff to inform and plan sporting activities for the term ahead.

She is responsible for bringing us Badminton (starting again in January) and getting is the Let's Get Sporty team.

Mrs Byers organises the Cross country event with the Active Schools team - keeping our pupils fit and active!

Mrs Byers is also working with our P7 pupils on leadership skills - pupils have been learning coaching skills and how to take a lead in sessions for our younger pupils. We hope to put their skills to the test next term!

Thank You!

Twenty four of our pupils volunteered to sing at the Village Hall for the community Christmas Lunch...

And they did an outstanding job!

Thank you to all the pupils who learned Christmas songs in a very short amount of time and performed so confidently in front of the community.

Parent Council Meeting

Tuesday 8th January at 7pm

Just a wee reminder that all parents are welcome to attend the Hollywood Parent Council Meetings.

Please bring along your views and ideas!

