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Dear parent / carer,

We have enjoyed welcoming the children back to school and ECC after the October holiday. As always, this will be a very busy and enjoyable term with lots going on in the school and ECC between now and Christmas. Please take note of the dates for your diary and we will also issue reminders nearer the time of events. We are delighted with the engagement of parents and carers and look forward to providing you with further opportunities to visit the school and be part of your child's learning.

Halloween Disco



The Parent Council are kindly organising a Halloween Disco for pupils in the school hall on Wednesday 25th October. The Primary 1, 2 and 3 disco will run from 6.00pm - 7.00pm and the Primary 4, 5, 6 and 7 disco will be from 7.15pm - 8.15pm. A suggested donation of £1 to the Parent Council / school would be appreciated.

We Will Remember



We will once again be supporting The Scottish Poppy Appeal this year. Poppies will soon be available for children in school for a small donation.

School Photographs



The photographer is booked for individual and siblings photos on Monday 13th November. Further information will follow regarding this.

Christmas Fayre

Following on from the success of previous years, Drongan Primary School are delighted to be organising a Christmas Fayre once again. It will be held at Drongan Primary School on **Tuesday 5th December from 6:00pm - 8.30pm**.

We are organising lots of stalls and activities, such as a raffle, bottle stall, sweetie crafts, Santa's Grotto, book stall, stationery stall and many more fun and enjoyable

Parents' Evenings



It was lovely to see everyone during the recent parents' evenings before the October break.

Children in Need



Children in Need will take place on Friday 17th November this year. Further information will follow detailing how the school will mark this event.

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stalls/activities. Our choir will also be performing on the night.

Entry to the event is free for everyone, but please note children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult.

On Friday 27th October we are having a dress down day (see app message/letter) to help get our fayre donations off and running.

On the run up to the fayre we are taking orders for Santa Letters, Calendars and Reindeer Food; as well as selling tickets for the 'Giant Teddy Raffle' and 'Guess the Teddy's Name/Birthday', which are always extremely popular.

Order forms and full information can be found on the letters issued before the holiday and on the app.

We are also looking to invite any parents, carers or people from our wider community to **have a stall at our fayre** and show off their talents to the local community. Please contact the school if you are interested.

Thank you in advance for your ongoing support of Drongan Primary School. We really hope you can make it along on the night to support our fundraising event. More information will follow on the school app as the date approaches.

Harvest Collection



A huge thank you to everyone who donated food for our Harvest collection. This has been donated to The Helping Hands Food Provision.



Pantomime



The whole school outing to the Gaiety Theatre in Ayr to see 'Jack and the Beanstalk' will take place on Wednesday 6th December. A letter detailing

the cost and times will be issued with the balance to be paid on parent pay. The buses will leave the school at 9.15am prompt and return at lunchtime.

Christmas Service

Our Christmas Service will take place in the school hall on Thursday 21st December at 9.30am. We welcome all parents / carers, relatives and members of the community to join us at the service.



Christmas Shows

We are delighted to be able to reintroduce our Christmas shows this year. We will be presenting a P1 - 3 Nativity and a P4 - 7 pantomime. P1 - 3 will perform 'The Big Little Nativity' and P4 -7 will perform 'Panto Pandemonium'. More information will follow providing details of dates, times of shows and cost of tickets.

Class Assemblies

During this term P3, P5b, P6a and P6b will perform their class assemblies. They will present their assembly to the whole school at 9.30am and to parents, carers and community members at 2.00pm on the dates shown in 'Dates for Your Diary' section. Mrs Shields has kindly offered to provide tea, coffee and shortbread following the class assemblies. We welcome you along to support the children as they share their learning.

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Wider Achievements

As always, we have enjoyed celebrating the achievements of our pupils out with school at our 'Celebrating Success' Assemblies on a Friday. Please remember to send trophies, certificates, medals or any other news of your children's achievement in to school on a Friday morning to be shared at assembly. They will also have their photograph taken for our display.

Christmas Parties



Monday 18th December- P1, P1/2 & P2 Tuesday 19th December - P3, P3/4 & P4 Wednesday 20th December - P5 & P6 Thursday 21st December - P7 All parties will take place in the afternoons of these dates.

<u>Please note that there will be</u> <u>no charge for Christmas</u> <u>parties.</u>

Christmas Dinner

Our Christmas Dinner for the children will be held on **Thursday 7th December**. Further information will be shared about the menu and cost nearer the time.

Choir & Carol Singing

Mrs Mitchell and her choir are looking forward to practising together. The Choir will be performing at the school Christmas Fayre and at various

places/events within the community.



School & ECC Holidays

The school will close for the Christmas break on Friday 22nd December at 2.30pm and reopens for pupils on Monday 8th January.

Thank You

Yours sincerely Mr S Maddocks Head Teacher

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Dates for Your Diary

October

Wednesday 25th -Thursday 26th -Friday 27th - Halloween Disco P6a Class Assembly Dress Down Day / Fancy Dress

November

Friday 3rd -Friday 10th -Friday 18th -Friday 24th - P5b Class Assembly P6b Class Assembly Children in Need P3 Class Assembly

December Tuesday 5th -Wednesday 6th -Thursday 7th -Tuesday 12th (PM) -Wednesday 13th (AM) -Thursday 14th -(PM and Evening) Friday 16th -Monday 18th -Tuesday 29th -Wednesday 20th -Thursday 21st -Thursday 21st -

Christmas Fayre Panto Visit Christmas Lunch P1 - 3 Nativity Performance P1 - 3 Nativity Performance P4 - 7 Pantomime Performance

Christmas Service P1, P1/2 and P2 P3, P3/4 and P4 P5 and 6 Party P7 Party Christmas Service



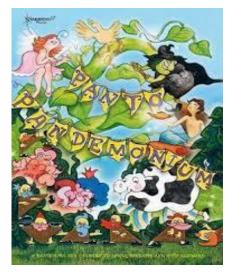


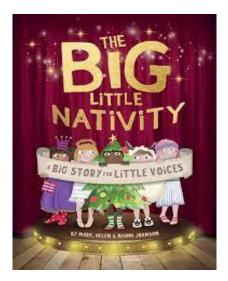




Friday 23rd -

School Closes at 2.30pm





Drongan Primary School and Early Childhood Centre Vision, Values and Aims

Vision

In Drongan Primary School and Early Childhood Centre our vision for all is:

To have a sense of belonging and pride in our local community where everyone is valued and we work together to be the <u>best that we can be</u>.

Values

Within our school, ECC and local community, the values that we feel are important to instil in all are:



Teamwork Mutual respect

Trust

Inclusion

Self-belief

Resilience



Believe

Aims

In Drongan Primary School and Early Childhood Centre our aim is to develop the **four capacities** outlined in Curriculum for Excellence in all of our pupils to prepare them for future life.

We will encourage our children to be:

Confident individuals by promoting self-worth, ambition and resilience

Responsible citizens by promoting diversity, communication skills and confidence

Effective contributors by promoting community spirit, enjoyment and participation

Successful learners by promoting skills development, challenge and engagement in learning