

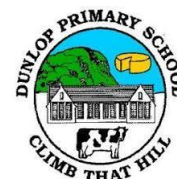
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Head Teacher December Update

Dear Parent/Carer,

As our term comes to a close, I would like to extend my thanks to all our families, parents and staff for all your hard work and support over what has been a different term to what we would wish.

Covid-19 has certainly brought its challenges but I have been extremely proud of how resilient our children have been in coping. I would like to thank the staff of Dunlop Primary School and ECC for working hard to ensure there has been as little disruption to our school day as possible. I would also like to thank you, our parents & carers, for your understanding as we work alongside our mitigations and restrictions for the safety of all. Our Covid Contingency Plan has been updated and added to our school blog and all pupils have been issued with their online log-ins, should there be a requirement for whole class isolation or remote learning. Please take time to familiarise yourself with the plan.

This term, we have participated in a variety of activities across the school including: Columba 1400 Leadership with our upper school; Harvest donations for our local foodbank; our P7 pupils beginning our garden renovation as part of their John Muir Award; our whole school anti-bullying focus week; our Be Bright Be Seen campaign led by our P2 pupils and we also welcomed student teachers to our upper school classes.

December was certainly a festive fun packed month with all our pupils enjoying participating in our Christmas programme of activities. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Noullan for planning and organising our Nativity, ECC Carol Concert and Christmas Fayre – she certainly is our very own Mrs Christmas. Our P1-3 classes rehearsed and performed The Wiggly Nativity which we are looking forward to watching as a school, a link has been shared with P1-3 parents. Our ECC children performed beautifully at their Carol Concert, which I was delighted to be invited to, and this too has been shared with ECC parents. All classes took part in the virtual Panto, Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas lunch. I couldn't possibly not mention our Children Christmas Fayre which was held last Friday and was a huge success with our pupils – thank you to our parents and carers for your generous donations towards our funds, raffle, tombola stall and toy & book stall.

A huge thank you is also extended to our Parent Council who generously provided our Christmas party treats, Santa gifts and supported our Children's Fayre, the staff also give thanks for their gift too.

As always, updates of our activities are shared on our Twitter feed, School Blogs and our school App – which remains our primary source of information for parents and carers.

I would like to close this update by wishing you all a restful Christmas break and hope that you all stay well. We are already looking forward to welcoming our children back on Thursday 6th January at the usual time where we will kick start our whole school Scotland themed focus.

Best wishes,



Laura Kelly
Head Teacher

