



## Scotstoun Primary School

### December Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the December Newsletter and the end of Term 2. It has been a busy and successful end to 2025, and we are looking forward to what is in store in 2026. On behalf of all staff at Scotstoun Primary, I would like to wish you and your families a very merry Christmas and a happy and healthy 2026.

With best wishes,

*Emma McGill*

#### Christmas Events

**Nativity:** Well done to everyone in Primary 1 supported by the children of Primary 2 and 3 for their fantastic performance of the Angel Express. The children were outstanding and performed so well with such confidence we were all very proud of them. Thank you to the staff for all their hard work in preparing them for their performances and also to the families who were able to come along to watch them perform.

**Scotstoun Living Advent:** Once again we were invited to be a part of Scotstoun Living Advent calendar and had the pleasure of welcoming the community to the school to switch on the 3rd of December window. The window had been designed by Felix (P1s), Jie (P2s), Maryam (P3s), Eilidh (P4s), Rudi (P5s), Anya (P6s) and Rachel (P7s) on a winter burrow theme. They were supported by the very talented Lorna Gallagher (a parent and artist). We are very grateful to Lorna for her help and congratulations to Rosie on her fantastic design.

**Christmas Fayre:** Thank you to everyone who was able to come along to our Christmas Fayre at the end of November. We raised an amazing amount of over £4,000 for school funds which will go a long way to providing a range of experiences for our children. Thank you to our PTA who have worked tirelessly all year putting on events such as discos, bingo and quizzes along with the Fayre. We really appreciate all your effort and support.

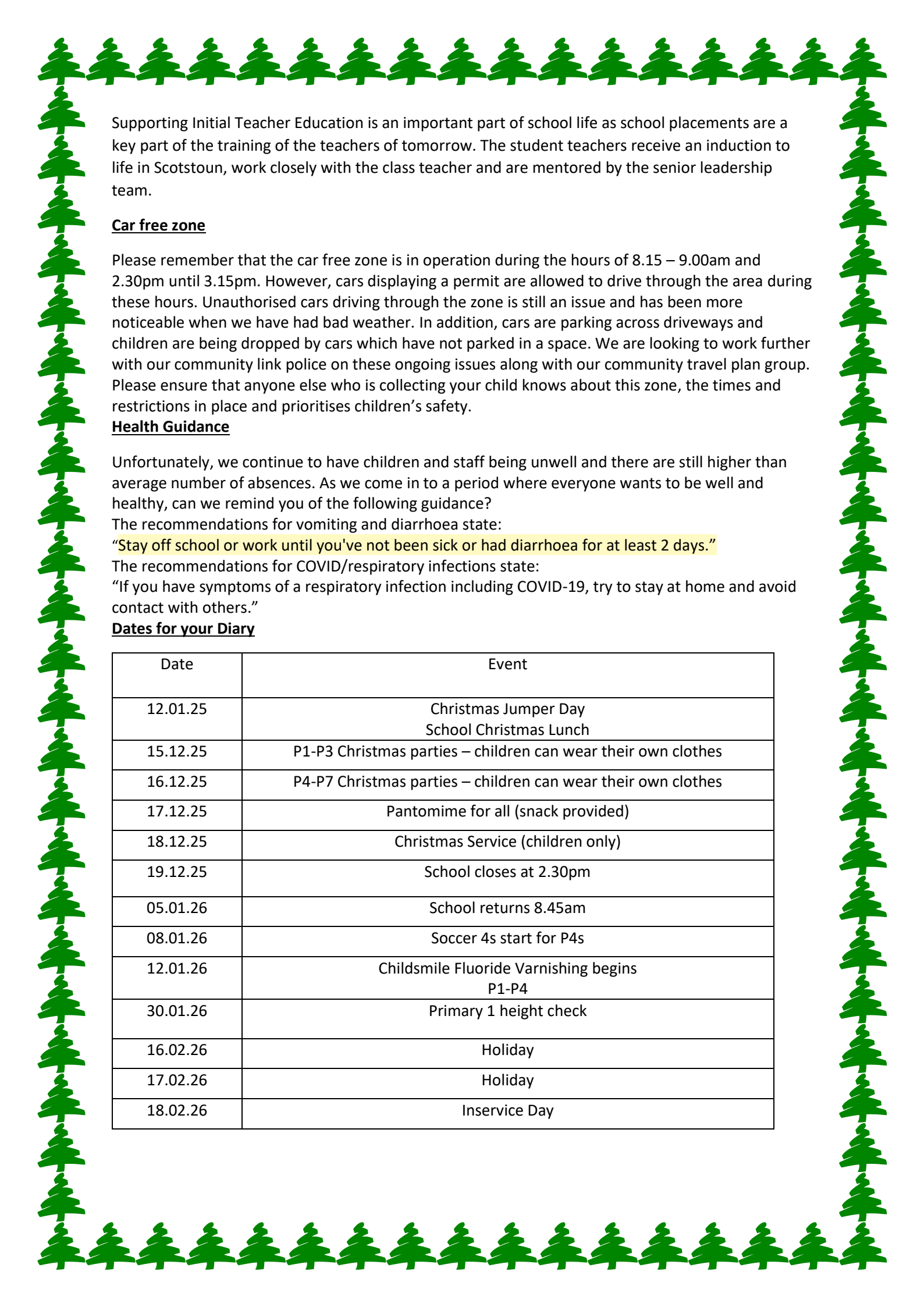
#### Pantomime

We have a pantomime visiting the school on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December. Halo Arts will be performing Pinocchio for all the children. There is a no cost to children for the pantomime, and a snack will be provided. This has been funded through money raised by the PTA. Oh yes it has!!

#### Staffing Update

Congratulations to Mr Egan who was successful earlier this term at a very competitive interview to become part of Glasgow's Pedagogy Team. He will be developing and delivering materials across the city for the next session and will be working in John Street every Tuesday.

We are looking forward to welcoming three student teachers to Scotstoun Primary in the coming weeks. Ms Paul will be working alongside the children and staff in Primary 7b, Mr Malcolm will be in Primary 6a and Ms McNaught will be in Primary 5a. They will all be joining us for most of Term 3.



Supporting Initial Teacher Education is an important part of school life as school placements are a key part of the training of the teachers of tomorrow. The student teachers receive an induction to life in Scotstoun, work closely with the class teacher and are mentored by the senior leadership team.

**Car free zone**

Please remember that the car free zone is in operation during the hours of 8.15 – 9.00am and 2.30pm until 3.15pm. However, cars displaying a permit are allowed to drive through the area during these hours. Unauthorised cars driving through the zone is still an issue and has been more noticeable when we have had bad weather. In addition, cars are parking across driveways and children are being dropped by cars which have not parked in a space. We are looking to work further with our community link police on these ongoing issues along with our community travel plan group. Please ensure that anyone else who is collecting your child knows about this zone, the times and restrictions in place and prioritises children’s safety.

**Health Guidance**

Unfortunately, we continue to have children and staff being unwell and there are still higher than average number of absences. As we come in to a period where everyone wants to be well and healthy, can we remind you of the following guidance?

The recommendations for vomiting and diarrhoea state:

“Stay off school or work until you've not been sick or had diarrhoea for at least 2 days.”

The recommendations for COVID/respiratory infections state:

“If you have symptoms of a respiratory infection including COVID-19, try to stay at home and avoid contact with others.”

**Dates for your Diary**

Date	Event
12.01.25	Christmas Jumper Day School Christmas Lunch
15.12.25	P1-P3 Christmas parties – children can wear their own clothes
16.12.25	P4-P7 Christmas parties – children can wear their own clothes
17.12.25	Pantomime for all (snack provided)
18.12.25	Christmas Service (children only)
19.12.25	School closes at 2.30pm
05.01.26	School returns 8.45am
08.01.26	Soccer 4s start for P4s
12.01.26	Childsmile Fluoride Varnishing begins P1-P4
30.01.26	Primary 1 height check
16.02.26	Holiday
17.02.26	Holiday
18.02.26	Inservice Day