



## December Newsletter

### It's Christmas!

#### A Wonderful Term at All Saints

What a busy and joyful term we've had! We hope you all felt entertained with our Christmas performances last week. Our children certainly filled our hearts with festive cheer. Thanks again to the staff for their hard work and effort into preparing the children for their performance.

Special thanks to **The Beacon** for giving our children the chance to see Sleeping Beauty. It was a fantastic experience, and we had so much fun... **Oh yes we did!**

Thanks also to Children in Poverty who made a kind donation towards the cost of the school buses.

We would like to wish all our families and friends a **very happy and holy Christmas**. Thank you for the many cards and gifts sent to staff—we really appreciate your kindness and generosity.

#### Join Us for Christmas Mass

On **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 11 a.m. in the school hall**, we warmly invite you to our **School Christmas Mass**. This is a special time for our school and parish community to come together and remember the true meaning of Christmas - the birth of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

#### St Laurence's Parish Christmas Mass Times

- **Christmas Eve (Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> Dec)** – 4pm and 8pm
- **Christmas Day (Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> Dec)** – 10am and 12pm

A lovely way to pray together and give joy for the gift of our families at this time of year.



#### P1 Registration

January is the time of the year when our new Primary 1 pupils for August 2026/27 enrol for school. Enrolment is done online **from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026** at [Registering for school in Inverclyde](#). If you have any questions or wish to discuss more fully, then please contact Mrs McCabe or Mrs Bonnar through the school office.

## P7 Residential

We are looking forward to our P7 s residential trip to Lockerbie **on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2026**. If you haven't already paid this fully, then please do so through parent pay. If you wish to discuss payment then please contact the school office.

**Permission forms were added to Parent Portal to be completed ASAP and KIT list was emailed out to all parents this week.**

## School Values

Our school values of **Respect, Honesty, Kindness and Determination** are recognised and celebrated throughout the year. We see children displaying these values every day and we endeavour for our whole school community to live by these values. Please use these values at home, the children can talk about what each value looks like to them and what it means in school.



## Breakfast Club

Our breakfast club is very well attended. It is free for all those in receipt of a clothing grant. If you have not applied for a clothing grant then you find out more at [Clothing Grant](#).

For those attending Breakfast Club and not in receipt of a clothing grant then the cost is £1 per day and should be paid through parent pay.

**PLEASE DO NOT USE THE MAIN ENTRANCE FOR BREAKFAST CLUB.  
ENTRANCE IS AT OUR AMPHITHEATRE AT THE BACK OF THE SCHOOL.  
BREAKFAST CLUB STAFF ARE THERE TO OPEN THE DOORS.**

## Attendance

Thank you for continuing to support your child's learning by ensuring they attend school regularly.

Absence from school affects your child's learning, relationships and self-confidence. They do not get the same opportunities of success that others do. When a child is regularly absent they continually have to play catch up with their learning and this affects the pace at which they learn and the progress they make.

We are aware that children often want to have a 'wee day off' however this can significantly impact on the progress they make. Children with poor attendance are found to have gaps in their learning and this is evident through assessments.

Don't be the barrier to your child's achievements. Every child deserves every chance to be successful.



## Latecoming

Being late for school has a significant impact on how your child presents at school each day.

Sometimes only being a few minutes late sets the child on a difficult journey for the day. At times they don't want to walk in class late or always be that one child who doesn't get to school on time and therefore misses the start of the day activities, including check in and registration.

Please get into a routine in the morning, set an earlier alarm, switch off the devices and perhaps even get into the routine of an early bed time. Many of our children report that they are tired as they don't go to bed until late. All of these things help your child become a successful learner.

## Parent Voice Group

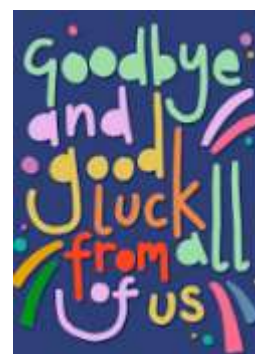
Thanks once again to our parent voice group for the parents who have volunteered to join our Parent Voice Group. Our first meeting will be on **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2026 at 6pm** in the school.

If you would like to join, please come along on to this meeting!

## Goodbye & Good Luck

On Friday we will say goodbye to Miss Haggerty, who is going on maternity leave to have her baby in January. We wish her the best of luck as she looks forward to welcoming her new addition.

Miss Laura Given will be the P2B class teacher from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January. Miss Given has been working with our P2A class, and has been part of our staff since September. She has already formed positive relationships with our pupils and staff. This will ensure a smooth transition for our primary 2 class.



## Stay Connected with Our School!



Did you know our school website is packed with useful information for families? You'll find:

- ✓ **Our brand-new School Handbook**
- ✓ **Important policies** like Anti-Bullying and Child Protection
- ✓ **School holiday dates** so you can plan ahead
- ✓ **Regular newsletters** to keep you up to date with all the exciting things happening in school

Take a moment to visit our website and explore everything we've put together for you. It's the easiest way to stay informed and involved!

## Dates for your Diary

- **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026:** School reopens at 9am  
(breakfast Club as normal from 8am)
- **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2026:** P7 Residential – Lockerbie Manor
- **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2026 @ 9.30am:** P5 - P7 School Choir Performing in the Inverclyde Festival – Town Hall (more info to follow)
- **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2026 @ 12pm:** P3A & P3B Performing in the Inverclyde Festival – Town Hall (more info to follow)
- **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2026:** School Holiday
- **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2026:** School Holiday
- **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2026:** School In-Service Day (closed to pupils)
- **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2026:** School reopens at 9am  
(breakfast Club as normal from 8am)



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