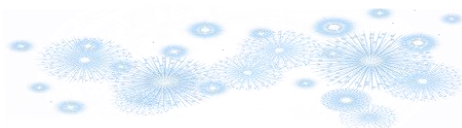


Dear Parents/Carers,

There are only three and a half weeks of term to go and it will be busy; we're going to try to add a little bit of seasonal sparkle to our days. The weather continues to be changeable, please make sure your child has a jacket with them every day and spare socks and shoes as our playground holds quite a few puddles.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Christmas Fayre – Friday 5 December 3.45pm – 5.15pm (Raffle drawn at 5pm)

Tuesday 9 December – P3 Nativity Story: 11am and 2pm

Tuesday 9 December – Information Session for new P1 Parents: 3.45pm

Tuesday 16 December – Church Service: 10.30am @ St. Leonard's Church

Wednesday 17 December – School Christmas Lunch

Friday 19 December - School closes for the Christmas break at 3.20pm. School returns on Monday 5 January 2026

COME AS YOU PLEASE DAY

Friday 19 December is a 'come as you please' day when you can wear school uniform, dress up, play clothes or wildly over the top and Christmassy. You choose, this is not a fundraising event, it's just for fun.

ALLERGY AWARENESS

We are a 'nut free' school, please make sure that any snacks and packed lunch items do not contain nuts eg Nutella, pesto, satay

HEADLICE

Be vigilant about checking your child's hair each week for head lice. If you have any questions, you can ask your local pharmacist or contact the school nurse at the Health Centre.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

School Christmas lunch is on **Wednesday 17 December**. There will be a choice of turkey or the vegetarian option. This is usually one of the busiest days for school lunch in the whole school year. The kitchen will need an idea of numbers for who will be eating lunch on this day, we will be asking children to let us know by next Friday. A very big 'thank you' to the AFG who are providing Christmas crackers.



CHRISTMAS PARTIES

Children can bring their party clothes to school to change in to. They should also bring with them a drink, a packet of crisps and a biscuit to eat. Please do not send in fizzy drinks or sharing bags of crisps and sweets. This year all the parties are for year groups and not by class. Party dates are -

P1 – Friday 12 December

P2 – Thursday 11 December

P3 – Wednesday 10 December

P4 – Monday 15 December

P5 – Tuesday 16 December

P6 – Thursday 18 December

P7 – Friday 19 December

Parties are held in the afternoons in the school hall.



CHRISTMAS POSTBOX

Our postbox for Christmas cards opens on Friday 5 December with deliveries to classes starting the following week. If your child wants to send cards to others in school they can put them in the postbox outside my room and they will be delivered by our very own Christmas elves! Please note, this is only for cards being sent in school.

CAR PARKING

Please be considerate of other motorists when using the Leys Road car park behind school and do not block turning areas, other parked cars so all drivers can access the area safely.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

School uniform is a navy blue sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan with or without the school logo. We have some items of uniform and shoes available which are pre-loved. These are at the front door; you can make a donation for these if you are able.

Our children are looking very smart as almost everyone is coming to school in their uniform. Thank you for supporting this, it really does help to promote a sense of pride in the school.

REGISTRATION FOR P1 – AUGUST 2026

We will be holding an information session for parents of prospective P1s on Tuesday 9 December at 3.45pm. This is for parents who are interested in sending their child to us in August and who do not know the school.

Registration and placing requests are made online

http://www.moray.gov.uk/moray_standard/page_52987.html

Registration dates for new P1 pupils are not available yet and will be publicised in early learning centres and primary schools when known.

CATERING DEPARTMENT SURVEY

The Catering Department conducts an annual Parent/Carer survey to gather feedback on our service.

The survey is now live and will close on Friday, 5th December.

<https://engage.moray.gov.uk/embeds/projects/45300/survey-tools/52860>

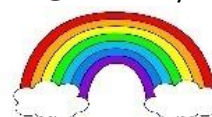
SEVERE WEATHER AND POSSIBLE SCHOOL CLOSURE

If severe weather is expected and there is a chance that the school may have to close, please endeavour to undertake one of these options:



1. Look out for a message on Dojo
2. Listen to Moray Firth Radio which has regularly updated information – 97.4FM
3. Use Moray Council's website
 - <https://secure.moray.gov.uk/mcalerts/portal/servicestatus.aspx>and go to Schools

BBC Radio Scotland and Moray Firth Radio will pick up the closure notice. A post will also be made on Twitter @theMorayCouncil



Finally, everyone here at Anderson's appreciates the help and support you give the school throughout the year, thank you.

I hope you have a lovely Christmas break when it comes.

Sara Neil
Head Teacher