

St Gerard's Primary School Parent Newsletter November 2013



Art Exhibition
Our 40th Anniversary Art Exhibition was a great success. Many thanks to all the parents and grandparents who came along and made the event such a success. A huge thank you to all our artists who contributed a piece of their work for the exhibition. I am sure this is the start of a promising career for many of the staff, PTA and parent Council who took part, I wish you every success. For my part I will stick to the day job.



Christmas Fayre
The Fayre will be starting after 11am following the 10am mass on Sunday 1st December 2013. Please come along and start or continue your Christmas Shopping and help out the school in the process. We have all the usual stalls and of course Santa Clause will be visiting St. Gerard's to help the day go well. Miss Manley has been working very hard with the PTA and they have been fantastic in putting together this Christmas Fayre, we owe them our gratitude.



Pantomime 27th November
Our children had a marvellous time at the Motherwell Civic Centre when they visited to see "The Wizard of OZ" performed. Feedback from the children indicated that they thoroughly enjoyed the experience.



Our Christmas Fayre kicks off the festive fun at St Gerard's. Here are a few dates for your diary.

Christmas Parties

Monday 9th December P4 P5

Tuesday 17th December. P1 P1/2 P2/3 P3

Thursday 19th December P6 P6/7

P7

Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 18th December
Carol Service will be held in St. Gerard's Church on Friday 20th December at 10am.



Carol Singing
Our P7 will be singing carols at Hattonlea Nursing Home, Tesco and Morrisons. If you would like to go along and support the children and perhaps join them for a carol or two. Hattonlea 17th Dec. Dates for Morrisons and Tesco will follow at a later date.

"Silly Billy"
On Monday 2nd December "Silly Billy" will be performing at the school. P1 – P3 will be entertained with and Eco Show and P4 – P7 will have a thought provoking "Think for Yourself" show. We hope the children will have a great opportunity to learn something important in a fun way.



P5 Swimming
P5 will be starting their swimming lessons on Thursday 5th December and will run until the 6th March. Please make sure they have a full PE kit and swimming costume/towel.

Winter Weather
In previous years the school has had to close due to severe winter weather. Please ensure you have access to the North Lanarkshire Site which will update in the event of severe weather. Also Mrs. Clarke will update the school blog and staff will be preparing Homework Packs with more detailed information with websites and blog information being sent out next week.



Nursery Application
Please be aware and pass on to friends and family that the Nursery application deadline is fast approaching. Applications can be collected from the school at the front office.

