

MRS N'S NOTES



YOUR WEEKLY UPDATE OF LIFE IN KIRKSHAW'S



CHILD PROTECTION

Any child protection concerns should be shared with the child protection coordinator for the school and nursery: **Mrs Alison Nicolson, Head Teacher**. In her absence, Mr Sharp and Mrs McGarry (Principal Teachers) will take on this role.

HEALTH & WELLBEING

Teachers have noted that we have had a recent increase in the numbers of pupils coming to school without their gym kit. Please remind your child to pack this on a gym day, or leave it in school, hanging on their peg all week. If you have shorts or indoor shoes/trainers your child has outgrown we would gratefully accept any donations for a bank where children could borrow kit for the day. All pupils have the right to 2 hours of PE weekly, but we need to ensure they are dressed in a safe manner.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Don't forget to order your school Christmas dinner by Monday 2 December, to let Mrs Paterson get on with her ordering and planning! Not long to go now!



December Already!

When the Advent Calendars come out, we know we are in for a busy few weeks, but it's not just Christmas preparations in our diary! On Monday 2 December we are all set to welcome NHS staff to administer the Flu Vaccination. Pupils should have already returned all medical forms.

Remember school and nursery will be **closed on 12 December** due to the General Election.

Monday is also the day our Christmas Concert tickets go on sale. This year, our Nursery Class is joining us as we entertain you with Kirkshaws Carols. Come along to be entertained and join in with some old favourites and a few new ones to learn too. Tickets cost £2 and are limited to **2 PER FAMILY** in the first instance. As always, extra tickets will go on sale nearer the date if we have spare.





NURSERY NEWS

Thank you for taking part in our survey this week, asking you to consider how we should pay back the time lost due to the recent additional in-service day. We have had a unanimous response, voting for Option 1. Therefore every session from 7-31 January will be increased by 10 minutes. We will remind you of this after the Christmas break.

We had most successful inductions this week. We look forward to welcoming all of our new learners very soon! Many thanks to everyone who attended.

If you want to purchase tickets for our Carol Concert, remember you can do this from Monday. Either leave your money with Nursery staff, or pop into the school office at 11.30am-12pm or 2pm-3pm any day next week.



This year our Parent Council are arranging a Christmas Market that will open on performance days. More details of this coming very soon.

We are looking forward to our Panto trip on 9 December. Please remember, pupils should wear their school uniform so that we can identify them in a busy theatre.

In Other News...

Thank you to everyone who made the time to come along to your child's class to see literacy across learning form P.2-7. It was a super afternoon, with many adults commenting they learned something themselves!

We are delighted to announce that one of our P.6 pupils won third place at the Coatbridge High School Public Speaking Competition this week. He, and the classmates who accompanied him, were fabulous ambassadors for our school, yet again.

Our Cross Country runners were also most successful this week. Special congratulations must go to Sky Murtagh, who finished in 2nd place, Lucy Mitchell in 7th and Ewan Fallen who came in 12th. Finalists have still to be confirmed, but we are hopeful we will have even more pupils joining them as we move onto the next round.

Coatbridge High School are hiding their Christmas Fayre tomorrow, Saturday 30th Nov. Pop in if you are around!

Don't Forget...

We continue with **Week 3** of our new menu.

Monday	Flu Vaccinations Last day for Christmas Dinner orders 02.12.19 Tickets go on sale for Kirkshaws Carol Concert - £2 each
Tuesday	Staff learning more about trauma informed approaches and attachment when working with young people. 03.12.19
Wednesday	Arts and Crafts Club at 3pm. Last week! 04.12.19
Thursday	Mrs Nicolson to work with local Head Teachers Miss Findlay to SEAL training at the Numeracy Base 05.12.19 3pm - P.1-3 Multi-Sports Club
Friday	Celebration Assembly Kodaly with Mrs McGregor 06.12.19 Choir performing for the whole school
Following Week	Pantomime Trip (Oh, yes it is!) Christmas Lunch Parties Start General Election Day - School & Nursery Closed