



Knowetop Primary School

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Our Vision: Through education with imagination, we will challenge, achieve, and excel.

Dear Parents and Carers,

The countdown to Christmas has definitely hit Knowetop this week. Our staff have been working hard to decorate the school for all our celebrations throughout December. We had our Christmas light switch on this week before we announced our raffle prizes, and we are already being visited by various elves. *Elf on the Table* seems to be a new initiative unique to Knowetop.

We are trying really hard to make sure our children and classes are represented on Twitter so please have a look at what is going on in and around the school. I am also happy to take any feedback/ views you have on how to improve this further.

Please keep up to date with all our pupil achievements and news featured on our Twitter feed [@KnowetopPrimary](https://twitter.com/KnowetopPrimary)

I hope this newsletter keeps you well informed and if there is anything we can do to help, please do not hesitate to get in touch.



Mr Gordon Murray
Head Teacher

Staffing Update

We are looking forward to welcoming Miss McCallum back next week on a phased return. This means that Mrs McKane will be finishing up with us. However, we have just found out that Mrs McKane has been successful in getting a Cluster Attainment Teacher job in NLC and has been placed in the Dalziel cluster. This means she will be delivering additional support to groups in Knowetop, Dalziel, Glencairn and Ladywell so we will continue to see her. We are keeping Mr Carline on a Thursday and Friday in Room 17 until Miss McCallum's phased return is complete.

Primary 1 Workshop

Thank you to all parents who attended our Primary 1 workshop this week. We hope you found it useful when supporting children at home with literacy and numeracy tasks.

Christmas Lunch

Just a final reminder to fill out the attached form if children would like a Christmas lunch this week. The form will be open until Monday 3pm.

We will be having our school Christmas lunches on 7th and 8th December. First lunch pupils (P3,4,5 and 6) will be on the 7th and second lunch pupils (P1,2 and 7) will be on the 8th. Only snack to go lunches will be available to pupils when it is not their Christmas lunch day. Please pre-order pupil Christmas lunches by following the link below.

<https://forms.office.com/e/D9ZUdkeFF2>

Parent Council Raffle

Thank you to the parents who came into school on Friday to draw the pupil and adult raffles. Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets as through your support we have managed to raise an excellent sum of money for school funds. We will confirm the totals raised from all our festive ventures in the coming weeks.



Lost Property

During the next two weeks we would like to invite anyone who has lost items into school just after collection at 3pm each day where items will be set out in our open area. After this time all uniform items will be given to the uniform shop and other branded products given to charity.

Sport Scotland Silver

We were proud to receive our Sport Scotland Silver award this week and we are well on our way to achieving Gold. Mr Stewart accepted the award during assembly this week and he is looking forward to working with a committee of children to further broaden our sporting activity in school.



Primary 7 Enterprise

This venture has now raised nearly £2000 which is outstanding! Primary 7 pupils will be hosting an activity day for children on the last day of term (Friday 22nd). They will have various activities such as Beat the Goalie, nail painting etc. If children wish to have a go, then each activity will be 50p so £1 or a few pounds will give them a go on the activities they wish. There is no pressure for children to participate, this is just an option for the last day.

Photographs

School photographs will be taken this week on Tuesday and Wednesday. **All children should be in full school uniform on both these days.** If this is normally a PE day, then activities will be amended.

Primary 1 Assembly

Primary 1 have been working hard to learn their lines and songs for their Christmas assembly. All Primary 1 pupils will receive two tickets for the show and anyone else wishing to watch can do so from home via a live link. Please continue to practise songs and speaking parts at home to build children's confidence.

Christmas Party Dates

All dates for Christmas parties are on the Parents Portal calendar but here is a reminder of them.

Wednesday 13 th Dec	Primary 7 Party	1.30-2.45pm
Thursday 14 th Dec	Primary 6 Party	1.30-2.45pm
Friday 15 th Dec	Primary 5 Party	1.30-2.45pm
Monday 18 th Dec	Primary 4 Party	1.30-2.45pm
Tuesday 19 th Dec	Primary 3 Party	1.30-2.45pm
Wednesday 20 th Dec	Primary 2 Party	1.30-2.45pm
Thursday 21 st Dec	Primary 1 Party	1.30-2.45pm

Knowetop Uniform Shop

Items can be requested from the shop through their Facebook page **Knowetop Uniform Shop** or by emailing suzannemagowan@hotmail.co.uk. All items are pre-loved or nearly new and are completely free to anyone who wishes. Help us to reduce, reuse and recycle at Knowetop.



Knowetop Parent Council

<https://www.facebook.com/KnowetopPC>

Co-Chairpersons: Mrs Ali Holmes and Mrs Laura
Arthur

As mentioned above, I want to thank our Parent Council parents who attended school on Friday to speak to the children about the Christmas raffle and announce the winners with the children all together.

I also want to thank all parents who have been involved in the planning and coordinating of our online Christmas Fayre. It has been very successful and we appreciate the efforts from all involved.