

Noble Primary School

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Our shared vision: Working together to create a nurturing, inclusive, rights respecting community, where learning is exciting,









Dear Parents and Carers,

I don't know how it quite happened, but can you believe we are now in December? Undoubtedly, with the restrictions in place, it will be a different kind of Christmas here at Noble this year. BUT, we are determined to make it as magical as possible for the children. Despite these restrictions, the school remains a very busy place with lots going on (and you should see that with the volume of excellent work being shared on our Twitter account). Since our last newsletter, we have had a very successful Rights Respecting Schools validation visit and as a result of everyone's hard work, the school was awarded Silver – Rights Aware Award. A very proud moment!

Last month, we issued interim reports along with your child's snapshot jotter. I hope this demonstrated how well your child has settled back into the school environment since August. Thank you to those of you who also completed the online feedback form. This is very much appreciated.

On 30th November, we celebrated World Children's Day and held a sponsored dance-a-thon. Together, we have raised just over £2800. An amazing sum of money! The children already agreed to donate half of the money to \$t Andrew's Hospice and keep half for school funds. We have been blown away by your generosity, particularly at this time of year, thank you.

These are just some of the highlights of recent achievements and successes we have experienced in school. I am aware of how difficult these times continue to be on everyone. I could not be prouder of the efforts of staff and the children. It should not be underestimated just how much pressure we are all under, regardless of whether we are a child, staff or family member. By continuing to work in the way that we do, we can ensure the continued safety of everyone.

Finally, on behalf of all staff and pupils, we wish all our families a very merry Christmas and happy New Year!

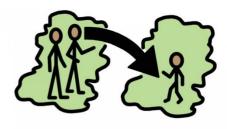
Yours sincerely,

Mr Daniel Murray <u>Head Teacher</u>



December's Right of the Month

Article 10 of the UNCRC says children and young people should be able to stay in contact with and visit their parents, even if they live in different countries. It also says children and young people should be able to live with their parents if possible and talk about the ways in which countries should make this happen.



W UNCRC Article 10

I have the right to see my family if they live in another country

In particular, it says that:

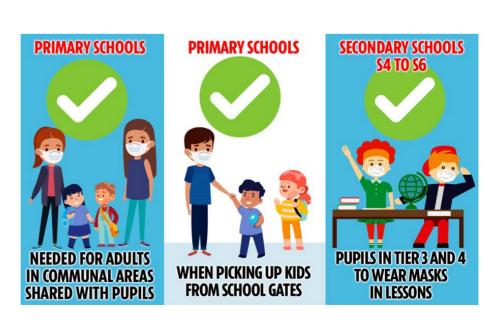
- children and young people should be able to enter countries to see one or both
 of their parents, either permanently or as a visitor,
- children and young people should be able to enter and leave countries in order to see a parent, and a parent should be able to enter and leave a country in order to see them, and
- children and young people should always be able to enter and leave their own country.

Digital Learning

All classes are using a variety of Digital Learning resources, with our main platform being Microsoft Teams. To access Microsoft Teams, the children should use their Glow email address and password. All homework tasks are now set on MS Teams and your child should know how to access these. We can monitor engagement online. It is important that the children sign in and complete tasks as this would be the method use should we have to revert to blended learning or if your child has to self-isolate.

If you require any support, please contact me at school or email <u>enquiries@noble.n-lanark.sch.uk</u> and we will do our best to advise.





Arrangements for Christmas

We are continuing to find creative ways to celebrate Christmas. Each class will have their very own Christmas Activity Fun afternoon and class teachers are busy preparing for this. This will be at no extra cost to you and activities will be in line with our risk assessment. Classes have also been learning parts from Hosanna Rock!, which we hope to share with you through the power of technology.

16th December 2020 Cinderella Online Pantomime

22nd December 2020 School finishes at 2.30pm for Christmas Holidays

Tickets are still on sale for the Parent Council Christmas Hamper. This will be drawn on the 18th December.







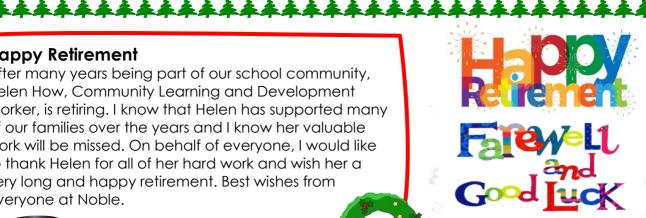
Reverse Advent Calendar Foodbank Appeal

We have had a tremendous response to our reverse advent calendar appeal last month. The donations have already been picked up by the Foodbank and the staff there have asked me to pass on their thanks for your generosity and support.



Happy Retirement

After many years being part of our school community, Helen How, Community Learning and Development Worker, is retiring. I know that Helen has supported many of our families over the years and I know her valuable work will be missed. On behalf of everyone, I would like to thank Helen for all of her hard work and wish her a very long and happy retirement. Best wishes from evervone at Noble.





Student Teachers

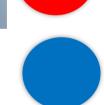
We are welcoming three student teachers from the University of Strathclyde to our school very soon to support the following classes.

Miss Gilmour P1. Miss Mitchell Miss Ballantyne P2, Mrs Crichton Miss Sum P3. Miss Shields Miss Whitefield P4/3 Mrs Wells

We wish them every success in their studies.

House Captains & Vice Captains





House Captain Results

We held our very first electronic house elections recently. It was a very close contest and the results are as follows:

Loch Tay: Captain: Marcus Byrne, Vice Captain Katia Wilson Loch Ness: Captain Jardin Walker, Vice Captain Eva Barrie Loch Morar: Captain Brooke Colligan, Vice Captain, Elliot Boyle och Lomond: Captain Cerys Allan, Vice Captain Nieve Little