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Monday 2nd December 2024

Dear parents / carers,

Primary Learning this Week

This week the children will be starting to think about Christmas. The mice from the kirk have arrived and we are starting to create Mousetivity, which will be shown at our end of term assembly and at the Kirk on Christmas eve.

Dates for your Diary

Friday 6th December Tree Lighting 7pm Monday December 9th Pupil Committees Tuesday December 17th Peedie schools trip to the Picky Wednesday 11th December Christmas Lunch Wednesday 18th December Christmas Assembly 1.30pm Friday 20th December is the end of this term Monday 6th January the spring term starts

Christmas Tree Party

The Shapinsay Community Association are hosting the Christmas Tree Party on Sunday 15th December 2024. The party will take place in the school hall from 3pm until 5.30pm. Parents/carers must remain with their children. There will be games, tea, and a visit from Santa.

Trip 17th December

We will be going to the Pickaquoy Centre on Tuesday 17th December with pupils from some of the other peedie isles schools. Children will be going to soft play and then a special screening Paddington 3. We will be travelling in on the 9am boat and returning on the 2.15.

Christmas Lunch

It will be Christmas Lunch on Wednesday 11th December. Please add your child/children's choices to the slip below and return it before Thursday this week.

Tree Lighting

A reminder that the tree lighting takes place this Friday at 7pm. Lights will be switched on by the children in P7. Please can all primary children be at school by 6.45pm on Friday, when we will meet in the middle classroom. They will be singing two songs outside, and we will then meet parents in the hall. The choir will be performing two songs in the hall. Christmas jumpers, hats etc encouraged!

Christmas

The postbox is now up for the children to post cards to people in school. Elf post will begin tomorrow. We also actively encourage Christmas jumpers to be worn now we are in December.

Library Charges

Kirkwall Library have informed us that they will now be charging for late or lost books. As always we want to encourage reading at home so when your child brings home a library book can you please make sure it is returned to school in time for the library van visit.

| Kind regards, | | | |
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| Emma Clements Head teacher | | | |

<u>Christmas Lunch Wednesday 11th December 2024</u> Please complete and return the menu to school by Thursday week.

| menu | Name of child/children | | |
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| Roast turkey chipolatas stuffing and gravy | | | |
| Plant based chicken chipolatas stuffing and gravy | | | |
| Chocolate fudge cake | | | |
| Fruit | | | |
| Ice cream | | | |
| Will bring packed lunch from home | | | |

The main courses will be served with roast potatoes, neeps, sprouts and carrots