



## Welcome to Bushes Primary's **October, November and December** Newsletter!

It gives me great pleasure to be writing this newsletter to you in my role as the Head Teacher of Bushes Primary School and Nursery Class following my successful appointment at interview. I am immensely proud of our school. It is a welcoming and nurturing school with talented children, dedicated staff and a devoted management team. It is my privilege to now be leading our school on a permanent basis. I look forward to continuing to work with you all in the future.

### Keeping in Touch



Remember to look out for us on Twitter. You don't need to have a Twitter account to access our account, just search for @BushesPrimary in your search engine. If you do have Twitter, why not follow us!

We are continuing to update and add new features to the school website. Keep checking our website at <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/re/bushes/> for the latest news and information from Bushes Primary.

Our annual Standards and Quality report and Improvement Plan are also available on the school website.

## Armed Forces Day and Remembrance Day

This year marks 100 years since the end of the First World War. We will be selling poppies on the weeks leading up to Armistice day on 11<sup>th</sup> November in support of Poppy Scotland.

On the last day of term 1, Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October, pupils will be allowed to come to school in their own clothes. We are asking that for this children bring in a £1 donation towards 'Red, White and Blue day' that raises money for 3 Armed Forces charities; ABF The Soldiers' Charity, The Royal Navy & Royal Marines Charity and The Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund. With a rich history of supporting pupils and families with relatives in the Armed Forces we are proud to be supporting this event.



### Bushes is 60!

We are in the process of organising a series of events to celebrate our school's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday. One thing we would like to do is build up information on Bushes over these 60 years and we need your help! Are you a Bushes ex-pupil or teacher or employee? Do you have an interesting story to tell? Have you found fame since leaving school? Do you have any old school photos you are willing to share? If so, the children would love to hear from you! Please contact the school by email: [email.bushesenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk](mailto:email.bushesenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk) or by telephone: 0141 884 2497, and tell us your story!



### Nativity

Nursery, Primary 1 and Primary 2 will shortly begin to prepare for this year's Nativity. This year there will be an afternoon performance on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December and a morning performance on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December. Information regarding tickets will be given closer to these events but make sure to mark these dates in your diary-you won't want to miss it!



### Class Christmas Parties

This year parties will be held in stages to all children of the same year group to socialise together. Dates are marked on the calendar included in this newsletter. On these days children can come to school dressed in their party clothes or bring them with them to get changed into them at lunchtime. Class teachers will send a note home nearer to the parties asking for £1 from each child which will go towards food and items for the party.

### Children in Need

Children in Need 2018 will take place on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November and children can come to school wearing something spotty. We will be having a day of activities based on Children's Rights, linked to the work of Children in Need. We are asking for children to donate £1 for the privilege of not wearing their uniform on that day and all monies raised will be donated to Children in Need!



## Christmas Fayre

The Parent Council will be hosting our Christmas Fayre on Saturday the 17<sup>th</sup> of November. The doors will open at 10am and close at 12noon. There will be a range of visiting stalls as well as the traditional favourites such as the raffle, tombola, lucky dip, toys and books and home baking. Come and relax with a cup of coffee and a cake. As always all funds raised will be used to support the work of the school.



## Parent Council

At the recent Parent Council AGM it was decided that Marion Rossi and Suzanne McGilp would continue in their roles as Chairperson and secretary respectively. We have a very active and supportive Parent Council and I am very appreciative of everything they do for the school. We are always looking for new members and I would encourage you to support the vital work the Parent Council does for the school. Parent Council meetings are usually scheduled for the first Tuesday of every month and are held in the staff room at 6.30pm.

The first Parent Council event for pupils this session was a disco on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September and made a fantastic profit of £450! It was a great event and was enjoyed by everyone who attended. My thanks to staff and parents who gave freely of their time to make this event possible.

There are a number of events being run by the Parent Council over the coming months with money raised being used directly to improve the experiences your child receives at school. They are as follows:

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October – School Disco    Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November – Winter Fayre**

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Family Christmas Movie Night**

The Parent Council have also organised a whole school pantomime that will take place in school on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December. This is always an event thoroughly enjoyed by pupils and made possible by your continued support of the various events organised and run by the Parent Council.

October	
Monday 22nd	In-service Day (school open only to staff)
Thursday 25th	Parent Council Disco
Wednesday 31st	Flu Immunisations
Wednesday 31st	P3a and p3b Assembly
November	
Tuesday 6th	Parent Council 6.30pm
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	P6a and P6b Assembly 9.30am
Saturday 17th	Parent council Winter Fayre
Friday 30th	Holiday
December	
Tuesday 4th	Parent Council 6.30pm
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> (Afternoon)	Nursery, P1 and P2 Nativity
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> (Morning)	Nursery, P1 and P2 Nativity
Tuesday 11th	P7s Christmas Party
Thursday 13th	P5s Christmas Party
Thursday 13th	Parent Council Christmas Movie Night 6.30pm
Friday 14th	P6s Christmas Party
Monday 17th	P4s Christmas Party
Tuesday 18th	P3s Christmas Party
Wednesday 19th	P2s Christmas Party
Thursday 20th	P1s Christmas Party
Friday 21st	P1-P7 Pantomime
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> -Friday 4th inclusive	Holiday

If you have any concerns regarding your child's education, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

*Craig McCrorie*

P.S. There was a mistake in the calendar issued in the previous newsletter. The Disco organised in May will take place on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May and not Tuesday as was listed. My sincerest apologies for this.