



Wallace Primary School

November / December Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy month November has been for us. Now we begin preparations for all the fun and festivities in December. Read on to find out what has been happening and our plans for the rest of the year.

Good News

Miss Lynch gave birth to a beautiful, healthy girl on Friday 24th November. Little Maisie and Mum are doing well and we send all our love and best wishes from everyone at Wallace Primary and Nursery.



Out and About

We have had a busy month with trips out of school. All classes loved their trips to the cinema, which were a huge success! It was lovely to hear the compliments about our pupil's behaviour during these visits.

Primary 6 had their two swimming sessions at the ON-X where they enjoyed developing their swimming skills.

Primary 7 have been to Castlehead for a Skills Morning organised by the senior pupils and to West College Scotland for a Science Workshop. Photos of both can be seen on their blog page on our website. A group of P7 pupils have also been visiting Capability Scotland as we continue to strengthen partnerships with the local community. Thanks to Mrs Wilkie for organising this link and well done to the pupils who have been wonderful representatives for the school.

Playbus

We were delighted to have the Playbus join us for a special treat for the nursery pupils and house winners for term 1!



Assembly

Last week Anne Strang, from Save the Children, visited us at assembly. The children were very interested to hear about the work of Save the Children and asked if they could do some fundraising for this great cause. Therefore we will be participating in Christmas Jumper Day on Friday 15th December. Pupils can wear a Christmas jumper or decoration and chuck it in the bucket for Save the Children. No uniform is required on this day.

Vision, Values and Aims

As mentioned in last month's newsletter, revisiting our vision and values is an area for review in our School Improvement Plan. I have begun to work with the whole staff team to develop this.

Thanks to the parents who came along last week to take part in a parent workshop, their opinions are extremely valuable and much appreciated.

In discussion with the Parent Council it was suggested that an evening workshop would be more suitable. I have therefore organised a further workshop in the New Year for Wednesday 10th January at 6.30pm. I hope you can attend.



Christmas Fayre - Message from PTA

PTA are delighted to announce that they raised a total of £2010 at the Christmas Fayre. A fabulous total made possible due to all the volunteers, school choir, donations and of course all the pupils and their families for turning up to support the PTA and school. Thank you.



School Survey

Please find below the results of our school and nursery survey in August. Collation of comments and a school and nursery breakdown can be found on our website.

The school / nursery helps my child to be more confident.	98%
My child enjoys learning at school / nursery.	98%
My child's learning is progressing well.	95%
My child is encouraged and stretched to work to the best of their ability.	87%
The school/ nursery keeps me well informed about my child's progress.	85%
My child feels safe at school / nursery.	96%
My child is treated fairly at school/nursery.	97%
I feel staff really know my child as an individual and support them well.	94%
My child benefits from school clubs and activities provided outside the classroom.	71%
The school / nursery asks for my views.	84%
The school / nursery takes my views into account.	87%
The school and nursery are well led.	92%
Overall I am happy with the school / nursery.	96%



Dates for your Diary

29/11/17	PTA Christmas Fair 6pm
30/11/17	St Andrew's Day Holiday
6/12/17	Community Café 10am and 2pm
7/12/17	Christmas Lunch
8/12/17	Choir perform Adam's House
8/12/17	School Talent Show
11/12/17	Interim Reports issued
11/12/17	Choir perform at Asda
12/12/17	P6 Trip Day
12/12/17	7.30pm Choir perform at Johnstone Town Hall
14/12/17	P1-3 Nativity (10am and 1pm)
15/12/17	P1, P3 and P4 Christmas Party Christmas Jumper Day
15/12/17	Choir perform at Paisley Centre
18/12/17	P2 and P5 Christmas Party
18/12/17	P7 to BBC filming
19/12/17	Nursery Nativity (AM & PM) P6 and P7 Party
20/12/17	Nursery Party (AM & PM) Christmas Service Stop for Christmas Holidays

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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