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St Elizabeth's Primary & Nursery School

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Learn Together, Laugh Together, Be the Best You Can!

Enjoyment

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Respect

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we now zoom towards Christmas, we are looking forward to the many activities planned to take place. Our children are excited about our Christmas Fayre on Friday, with our St Andrew's Day Coffee Morning taking place beforehand. Our Christmas Nativity practice is getting well underway and tickets will be on sale from our school office, order form attached at back of the newsletter.

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Parent Pay

Parent Pay is now being rolled out across South Lanarkshire and all parents are expected to sign up for this in order to help us be a cashless school. If you have not already enrolled, can I ask that you do so as soon as possible please and by this coming Friday at the latest. This helps our office staff as, from now on, any money being brought to school needs to be recorded individually by our office ladies and this would be very time consuming. Your help in being part of Parent Pay will help our school to operate more efficiently and not increase any work for our office staff. If you need any advice or help, me contact our office on 285080 where we will be happy to assist

Our VSE visit

As you know, we had a 2 day Validated Self Evaluation Visit in our school last Tuesday and Wednesday. The team of 4 people assessing an aspect of our work consisted of Anne Jessimer (our school's Quality Improvement Officer), Lisa Quinn (Lead Officer for School Improvement for South Lanarkshire), Joanne Faulkner (Senior Manager of Pupil Support for Hamilton) and Julie McGowan (Head Teacher of Townhill Primary).

Our visitors spoke to groups of our children, our support and teaching staff as well as a group of our parents. They visited all classes and looked at jotters, planning folders, assessment material and additional support needs plans.

They were incredibly impressed with our children, their excellent behaviour and overall engagement with learning, as well as the wonderful ethos of our school and the hard work and commitment of all our staff. Very well done to everyone for showing off our fantastic school so well and also many thanks to all parents who gave up time to speak to our visitors.



Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club runs daily from 8.15-8.45am. All school children are welcome to attend our Breakfast Club and there is no cost for this. Children should arrive promptly for this club in order to receive their breakfast in time and no later than 8.30am please in order to allow food to be served, tables cleared, etc.

Community Partnership

Many thanks for all donations received for our Christmas Fayre! We have received a wonderful amount of donations which we greatly appreciate. Our Christmas Fayre is from 3-5pm this coming Friday, the 30th November and we look forward to seeing as many of you as possible. Entry to the Fayre is £1 per adult, children get in free. We are also selling a Golden Ticket for £1 a go and the lucky winner will be entitled to a range of goodies FREE. Tickets are on sale now in school and at school gate at 3pm

Rag Bag Collection

Many thanks for all donations for our recent Rag Bag collection. We will have another collection in the New Year and I will let you know the date once it's been confirmed.

Sacramental Preparation

The Reconciliation and Confirmation children have now received their Family Workbooks as they begin their preparation for their Sacraments. Our First Holy Communion Children will receive their Workbooks in the new year and I will let you know once I have the date confirmed from Fr O'Farrell.

Christmas Dates

Our **Christmas Lunch** day is to be on Tues 11th Dec, **not the 13th** as stated on the lunch flyer home in bags today. Our **Christmas Parties** are over 4 days this year. P1, P1/2 and P2 on **Mon 17th Dec**, P3 and P4 on **Tues 18th**, P5 and P6 children on **Wed 19th** and P7 children on **Thurs 20th**. The party games and food will take place on the afternoon of each day and your child can bring or wear their party clothes to school that day as the whole day will be a fun day for them. Any parent wishing to take their child home at lunchtime to get them ready should come to school office for 12noon on the day. We would be very grateful if our children were able to bring a small goodie to donate towards their class party – a packet of biscuits, packet of crisps, diluting juice, etc would be wonderful and help us enormously. Thank you so much for any donations. (Please note we are a nut free school)

Christmas Nativity

Our younger children are leading our Nativity again this year with our older children helping them with the singing parts. Each class has a particular supporting role. Tickets are on sale from tomorrow and are initially limited to 2 per family. Tickets cost £1.50 each. Our Nativity is not on Parent Pay this year so money should please be sent to school along with your ticket request. If you would like more than 3 tickets, please indicate this on the form and we will let you know if there are any spare once we receive all orders. Can we please have order forms returned by this Friday, 30th Nov (along with payment please, but not payment for any additional requests)

Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 14th December, children can come to school wearing a Christmas Jumper and any donations for charity would be greatly appreciated.

Best wishes everyone

Miss MacPhee, Head Teacher

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Christmas Nativity Order Form

Child's Name _____ Class _____

	Tickets Requested (Max 2 per day)	Additional Tickets Required
Wed 12 th Dec, 1.30pm	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Thurs 13 th Dec, 10am	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Ticket cost £1 per ticket

Total Payment enclosed _____

Signed _____ Date _____