



Borestone Primary School Newsletter



November/December 2020

Dates for your diary:

Christmas Holidays

Finish Wednesday 23rd
December

Return Thursday 7th Janu-
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Inservice Days

Monday 15th and Tuesday
16th February

Local Holiday

Wednesday 17th—Friday
19th February

Spring Term

Finish Thursday 1st April

Return Monday 19th April

Local Holiday

Monday 3rd May

Inservice Day Thursday
6th May

Summer Term

Finish Friday 25th June

Return Wednesday 18th
August

Dear Parents and Carers

It is amazing how quickly this term has passed and all things Christmas in school are well underway. We will be letting you know very soon when we are having our Christmas parties so watch out for class information coming to you.

I would like to thank you all once again for everything you are doing to support everyone in school, keeping us safe, following the rules and generally just being amazing. Your care has helped ensure that we can come to school safely!

I would love to be able to see you all face to face to wish you a very merry Christmas and Happy New Year, I have so missed that contact with you, however brighter days are ahead and we will be able to have some kind of normality very soon (everything crossed)!

Kindest Regards and much love!

Linda Dawson

Christmas Cards

I know that the children love the tradition of sending cards so at school the Borestone Post Box will be available for children to post their cards to their friends. The cards will be quarantined for 72 hours and will then be sent to classes to go home!



Christmas Lunch

**Christmas Lunch this year will be on
FRIDAY 18TH DECEMBER**

**On that day we are inviting everyone to
dress down, no uniform (unless you
want to) and it can be as Christmassy
(or not) as you like!**



Christmas Gifts

There always seems to much to do and so much to buy at Christmas and the cost does mount up!

If you and your child would like to let their teacher know how much you care, please send in a wee note of thanks via the Borestone email and this can be passed on to staff. Your kind words mean so much to us! It could be a wee video clip, message—anything you like! No need for gifts!



SANTA SURPRISE

There will be a special visitor for Primary 1 and 2 on the day of their party...can you guess who it is?



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blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/st/
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Nursery News

We have been really busy learning lots this month. We have learned about Diwali, the story of the little red hen and the story of Christmas.

Outdoor Learning

The children are participating more and more in outdoor learning. We are slowly building up our time outdoors as this lessens the risk of transmission of Coronavirus and also other germs that are around at this time of year. We ask that you make sure children wear layers of clothes so that they can layer up for outside and take off layers inside. We also ask if you can provide waterproofs and wellies to come each day with also a change of clothes incase of wee accidents. We have been exploring many areas within our community



Halloween with a difference!

We managed a socially distant Halloween fashion show which we could show each other our outfits. This made us feel like one big nursery again! We loved it!!

Sshh...We even had a sweetie hunt in the woods!

Christmas parties and raffle

We are having our nursery parties on 15th and 17th December 2020. We will have the 15th party in the morning and the 17th in the afternoon (children can bring party clothes in their bags for the afternoon party and we will help them to get changed). We will have a live raffle and prizes will be quarantined for your collection 3 days after the raffle. Further details will follow via parentmail so keep your eyes open.

Holidays

We finish on Christmas Eve and reopen on 5th January 2020.

Borestone Santa Dash 2020

On Monday 21st December and Tuesday 22nd December, we're excited to announce that the Borestone Santa Dash 2020 will be taking place! All children from nursery right through to P7 will be taking part by running a short course outdoors with their own Santa hats on!

We will be running to raise funds for Strathcarron Hospice who are a charity that provide specialist palliative care and expert end of life care for the people of Forth Valley. They care for people with illnesses that cannot be cured including cancer, lung, heart or kidney failure and a range of non-malignant and neurological diseases.

We'll be encouraging all of our children to have fun and take part, with some prizes and festive treats up for grabs! On the day, children should come to school in their sport kit and also bring a waterproof jacket and bottle of water.

Children are welcome to do some fundraising in the build-up to the event and there is an optional donation of £1 on the day.

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Primary 5MW

We have been busy learning about Chemical Reactions through practical experiments and investigations in Science .



We are developing our understanding of Friendship through our Health and well-being topic "Anti-Bullying and Friendship".

As part of the whole school Christmas Assembly we will be researching Christmas tradition around the world . We will also be learning some French Christmas vocabulary on French Fridays!

P3M are learning about the Vikings this term and have had great fun building our own fleet of longships!



Primary 2DY have been learning all about their senses this term. They loved finding out all about eyes and investigating the model eye we have in school. We have been focussing on good listening with our sense of hearing and have even made a feely bag of items that we had to identify by just using our sense of touch.



P6W have been working extremely hard this term and have achieved lots of success in their learning. Today we made Christmas Pudding Pompoms for our annual Christmas



Primary 7's have done amazingly well at Active Stirling's November cross country event. All Primary 7's were challenged to run a mile of laps around King's Park and all learners who were present participated. A huge well done to Joshua P7, who came first place and Aaron who was second place, not just for their school but for all Primary 7's in the Stirling High School primary cluster! Well done boys—we are so very proud of

Kindness Advent Calendar

Throughout the month of December we are all virtually meeting every morning to see what kind act is behind each door on the advent calendar!

So far this week our acts of kindness have been

- * Giving someone a compliment
- * Letting someone join in our games
- * Nominating a class mate for a Purple Praise note
- * Spending 10 minutes tidying our classrooms

Ask you child each day what their kind act has been, the children are so good at taking part in this. They know and feel....



#kindnesscounts



P2M are enjoying learning about the senses ,we used our sense of hearing to listen to instruments from around the world. We enjoyed playing with the instruments and making our own sounds. We learned about the sense of sight and made our own glasses.



P1 have been busy learning more Set 1 sounds and we have been using our new knowledge to read and write new words!

P1 have also been investigating numbers to 10. We can recognise and write numerals to 10, order them and talk about the bigger and smaller number. We are beginning to add and subtract within 10 too.

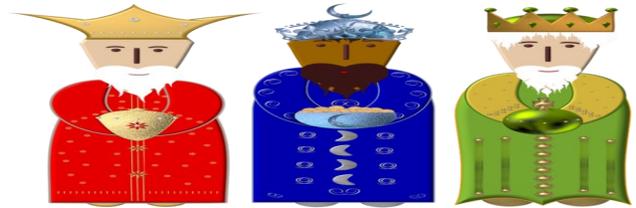
During Literacy Week we explored our new Book Bug bags and voted for our favourite story. We can't wait to wear our pyjamas to school and take our Book Bug bags home.

In the run up to December we each created a Christmas card for vulnerable people in our community. We were very lucky that Sammie was able to donate such amazing resources for us to use. We hope the community like them!



Christmas End of Term Service

Normally at this time of year our school would be busy with nativities, concerts lots of visitors coming and going and sharing the learning events. As we can't do those things in the same way, we will be having our Nativity and end of term service virtually. Each class will be presenting "Christmas Around the World" and at the end of the presentation, a special Nativity surprise awaits! We will be send you the link to watch in the comfort of your own home.



Parking at School

As you know, parking in the streets around the school can be very tricky and busy! In order to keep all of our children and families as safe as possible, please do park away from the gates so that all children can see the road clearly. I am also very mindful that our community neighbours can be impacted by the parking in the streets outside of their houses.

Please park away from the school gates and let children be safe and be seen. We would be devastated if our children was or worse...

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Christmas Panto

No Christmas Panto...ooh yes there is!!

We have managed to source a Christmas Panto virtually for the children!

Robin Hood and his Socially Distanced Men

We will be showing this in school between 14th and

Family Christmas Quiz

We will be sending out details for a Family Christmas Quiz

**Prize Hamper
NO CHARGE TO ENTER**