

Millbank Primary School Newsletter

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Monday 12th November 2018



Remembrance

We were all very proud of our P7 pupils on Friday 9th November, they presented a Remembrance assembly to the school and to their parents and were very respectful and confident. P7 pupils had also supported every pupil in the school to make Poppies which were then used to form a Poppy cascade on the stage. Please have a look at the photos on our web-site.

Buddies

Our Buddies for this session were presented with their badges at assembly on 7th November. Buddies are selected from the P6 year group and have demonstrated skills such as good communication, leadership and support of others. They are on duty in the playground each break time to support younger pupils. Many congratulations to Alex Ashcroft, Alice Armit, Amy Maddox, Archie Herbert, Brodie Fuller, Carly Green, Casey Graham, Cassie MacLean, Charlie McKenzie, Chey Dallas, Ciara Hanshaw, David McDonald, Drew MacBean, Ella Phillips, Emma Alderson, Freya Davidson, Gemma Tennant, Julia Kolakowska, Kieran McLelland, Lexie Kelman, Liam Sinclair, Lucia Wilson, Lucy Smith, Mya Hay, Riley Beats, Riley Mackenzie, Rose Laurie and Tyler MacPherson.

P2/3 Athletics cancelled

Because Miss Walker and Miss Young are on a training course there will be no junior athletics on Thursday 15th November. Senior athletics will be on as usual.

Homework survey

All staff, parents and pupils have been asked for their opinions on homework. The results are very mixed. Talking to parents at parents' nights there was a clear difference in views between P1-3s and P4-7s with higher levels of enjoyment and engagement being reported for younger pupils. There were also differing opinions with regard to the types of homework and the amounts given. Full survey results are available on our website, we plan to carry out another questionnaire with more specific questions in the New Year.

Parent Council News

Thanks to everyone who attended the Parent Council meeting on Tuesday 6th November. Parent Council are organising a fundraising Coffee Morning on Saturday 24th November from 1000 - 1200 in THE UNITED REFORMED CHURCH HALL. We would be most grateful for donations of items for the Tombola/Bottle stall, for the Baking stall and for the Book stall. Donations may be handed in to the office during week beginning 19th November. Our Parent Council has its own facebook page where you can find out more about fundraising etc. This is a closed group, just search for "Millbank Primary Parent Council" and request to be added.

Children in Need

This year Children in Need day is Friday 16th November. Our Pupil Council have decided that our themes this year will be 'Wear something yellow' and/or 'Crazy hair'. We have a strict rule at Millbank about wearing football strips as we find it can cause arguments so please - no football strips. If your child would like to participate then they should bring their donations to school on Friday 16th November.

Christmas lights

The date for Nairn's Christmas lights to be switched on is Friday 23rd November. There is to be a parade with a 'Nutcracker' theme and the organisers have invited all children who would like to be part of the parade to meet at Castle Square **at 6.15 pm** (please note this later time which was announced last week) on Friday 23rd November. The parade will then process up to the Royal Bank of Scotland building where there will be entertainment and the switching on of lights. Children are being invited to dress up as characters from the Nutcracker story if they wish.



Dates for your diary

Saturday 24 th November	Coffee morning IN UNITED REFORMED CHURCH HALL, 10 - 12
Tuesday 4 th December	Flu immunisations being administered.
Thursday 13 th December	School Christmas lunch in the canteen.
Friday 14 th December	P7 party from 1.30 - 3.00
Monday 17 th December	P6 party from 11.00 - 12.30
Monday 17 th December	P3 party from 1.30 - 3.00
Tuesday 18 th December	P5 party from 11.00 - 12.30
Tuesday 18 th December	P2 party from 1.30 - 3.00
Wednesday 19 th December	P4 party from 11.00 - 12.30
Wednesday 19 th December	P1 party from 1.30 - 3.00
Friday 21 st December	School closes at 3 pm for the Christmas holidays
Monday 7 th January	School re-opens for the new term.

Online shopping - a message from Parent Council

A very easy way to boost school funds - at no additional cost to yourself - is to do your online shopping via the following website www.easyfundraising.co.uk/causes/millbankpsnairn

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