## Dates for your diary

- 19 December- Flu immunisation for children
- 20 December- Christmas Party Day, children can wear party clothes/ Christmas jumpers.
- 21 December- Nativity Play in St John's Church. Children leaving school from 9.30am onwards and walking to Church. Service starts at 10am and will last for about 30 minutes. Children will return to school by 11am.
- 22 December- school close at 2.30pm
- 8 January- children return to school
- 15-17 January Primary 7 residential trip to Lockerbie Manor
- 23 January- fluoride varnish for ASN children
- 25 January- Primary 6 and Primary 7 Ceilidh, 6.45-8.30pm
- 26 January- Dog's Trust visiting Primary 4-Primary 7 classes

## St John's Primary November and December 2023 Newsletter

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## Welcome to our November and December Newsletter.

We ask that all children are appropriately dressed for being outside in our Scottish climate. We will continue to go outdoors as much as possible.

If our playground is icy there are safe pathways which are gritted allowing for safe entry to the school building. At times children will be brought inside from 8.45am to either the gym hall or the dining room.

On 3 November room 6 and Room 7 primary 2s demonstrated their knowledge about Guy Fawkes and firework safety.

We hosted a very exciting World of Work Week from 7-10 November. Thank you to all of our volunteers who gave up their time to talk with our children. We have many aspiring police and fire people.

Our school choir was filmed and have been successful in being selected as one of the top ten performances for the Regent Centre Competition. If you have not already voted please add your support.

Our Xmas 4 school order has been delivered. Thank you for your continued support. Hopefully this has helped with some ideas for gifts for family members.

On the inset day in November staff participated in training about the teaching of maths and science.

Our mainstream Primary 1 children enjoyed an after school club with Megan our Active School Co-ordinator. The children learned how to play different team games which they can play at break times.

We enjoyed welcoming parents and carers on 16 November for Parent meetings. Alternative appointments are also offered on a Friday morning during assembly time. It was lovely to see so many parents/ carers in our building.

Shirley from Child Smile has been supporting our ASN classes to develop good oral hygiene habits and encourage tooth brushing.

We have been working with schools in our Learning Community to share our knowledge and offer tips for other schools to start the Rights Respecting School Programme.

On Thursday 23 November we hosted a Golden Tea where children who have demonstrated a St John's value are invited to come to the dining room for cakes, juice and games.

On Thursday 30 November Room 13 hosted a Show Case for their learning. They demonstrated and share their knowledge with parents/ carers.

Friday 1 December was a very exciting day as our children entertained parents/ carers with some Christmas songs. We still have some raffle prizes left. Please check your tickets.

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If you are the lucky winner please call the school office. Thank you to our Parent Council who worked hard to organise and run this event.

We have had our dental inspection for Primary 1 and Primary 7 children. Any child who requires attention brought home a letter.

Our Primary 7s held an enterprise fun day in the school hall on Wednesday 6 December. They raised a fabulous sum of £1232. This money will pay for all Primary 7 children to receive a "Class of 24" red hoody.

Our choir enjoyed performing in the Regent Shopping Centre on Thursday 7 December. Thank you to parents/ carers who came along to cheer us on.

Our school Christmas lunch is on Tuesday 12 December. The children will enjoy a festive hot lunch with crackers, party hats and fancy table cloths.

Primary 1s are very excited and are looking forward to visiting Santa on 13 and 14 December.