

Danderhall Primary School

November 2022 Newsletter

As it becomes darker and colder, please ensure your child comes to school with a coat and suitable shoes. We try to get outside in the fresh air as much as possible, even when the weather is not so good!

STAFF

We are delighted to have Miss McNeill in Primary 1C. Mrs Willis had a lovely send off on Friday and I am sure she will be back to visit soon! We are currently interviewing for someone to replace Miss McNeill in Support for Learning and also some new Learning Assistants.

October

Thank you to all who attended our parents' evenings. Staff enjoyed meeting you in person again! We hope you enjoyed seeing inside the school and classrooms. A huge thank you to the Parent Council for the Halloween Discos. The children had a ball and are already looking forward to the next one!

Primary 1 Information

The Midlothian Advertiser is producing a special 'first class souvenir' edition on Thursday 10th November. Inside are photos of P1 classes of schools across Midlothian including our 3 classes here in Danderhall. To order please call the customer service team on 0330 4033004 (cost £1.00) or online midlothianadvertiser.eventbrite.co.uk (cost £1.25) Orders must be placed by TOMORROW and all orders will be delivered to school and sent home with your child.

Thursday 24th November - P1 open afternoon

All P1 parents are invited to join us for a reading workshop at 2.10pm thereafter visits to classes for ideas around literacy and numeracy. A letter giving more detail will be issued this week.

Parent Council

The next Parent Council meeting is on Monday 14th November 7pm - 8pm in school. Please gather in the library and we will 'buzz' you through to the school!

Sport

Ten of our P7 pupils are taking part in the Midlothian Basketball Festival on 16th November. We wish them all the best!

Primary 4 and Primary 4/5 are off swimming this month. This starts on Friday 25th November and classes will be issued with permission slips and additional information over the next couple of weeks.

Music

We are delighted to welcome the Dunedin Consort who are in school working with P3A, P3B, P6/7 and P6. We are also very lucky to have Drumming back in school working with P4, P4/5, P5 and P5/6.

REMEMBRANCE

Poppies will be on sale in each classroom. Suggested donation is £1 but please feel free to donate what you can afford. Initially pupils may only purchase 1 poppy each.

Dates for your diary (please note dates may be **amended**)

Please note that Christmas dates have been added to the diary - more details will be sent home nearer the time. ELC will also issue a newsletter with dates for Christmas events, once these have been decided.

Monday 14th November – Parent Council Meeting 7pm – 8pm

Wednesday 16th November – Basketball Festival

Friday 25th November – Friday 17th March P4 and P4/5 swimming

Wednesday 7th December – P1 & P2 Nativity performance

Thursday 8th December – School and Nursery Christmas lunch

Friday 9th December - P1 & P2 Nativity performance

Monday 12th December – P3-P7 concert performance

Tuesday 13th December – P3-P7 concert performance

Wednesday 14th December – pm P3 party

Thursday 15th December – am P7 Risk Factory
pm P4, P4/5 and P5 party

Friday 16th December – P1 & P2 party

Monday 19th December – pm P5/6 & P6 party

Tuesday 20th December – am P1/2, P6/7 & P7 party

Tuesday 20th December – Term 1 ends 3.15pm

Wednesday 21st December – Tuesday 3rd January - HOLIDAY

Wednesday 4th January – Inservice Day – staff only attend

Thursday 5th January – 8.50am all return

Monday 13th February – Friday 17th February – HOLIDAY

Monday 20th February- 8.50am all return

Wednesday 22nd February – Friday 24th February – P7 Camp

Thursday 30th March - P6 and P7 pupils cross country event (pupils taking part will be informed)

Friday 31st March – Term 2 ends 12.25pm

Monday 3rd April – Friday 14th April - HOLIDAY

Monday 17th April – all return 8.50am

Monday 1st May – HOLIDAY

Monday 22nd May - Inservice Day – staff only attend

Thursday 28th June – Term 3 ends 3.15pm