



## Calendar

### Important Dates:

#### November

Date	Event
02/11/22	Welcome Wednesday
03/11/22	Harold the Giraffe
11/11/22	P5-7 Assembly
11/11/22	Community Café
13/11/22	Remembrance Sunday
14/11/22	Parent Council Meeting
15/11/22	SSPCA
17/11/22	In Service Day
18/11/22	In Service Day
21/11/22	Flu Vaccines
23/11/22	Parents' Night

#### December

Date	Event
02/12/22	Festive Friday
07/12/22	Welcome Wednesday
09/12/22	Festive Friday
10/12/22	Christmas Fayre
13/12/22	Village Hall Singing Practice
14/12/22	Christmas Show
15/12/22	Christmas Lunch
23/12/22	Christmas Party
23/12/22	Last day of term

#### January

Date	Event
09/01/23	New term starts

## Message from the Head

Welcome to a new school term and it is going to be a busy term.

I would like to welcome Jo Molland to our school, who is joining our support team as a PSA. We will be sharing Jo with Mackie Academy and she will be in school every Wednesday and Friday to support our children. Jo has gained a lot of experience working at Laurencekirk School and I am delighted that we will be benefitting from her skills.

Leah Denny has joined our team working as a young apprentice supported by both Mackie Academy and ourselves. Leah is in school every Wednesday working with both classes. Her aspiration is to become a teacher and we are happy to support her in this endeavour.

I have included a calendar in the newsletter to help with a quick glance of all our activities. As you can imagine, the planned events do change from time to time, and we will be in touch to inform you of any alterations. More details will be released for the big events nearer the time. We will send information out via email and reminders on Facebook.

If anyone would like to volunteer to help at school, please contact the office and we will send out an information pack of how you can help. Currently we are looking for anyone who can help with costumes and set design for our Christmas production.

## ADMIN REQUESTS

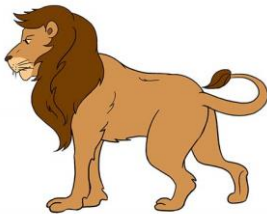
- School phone number **01561 400690**
- If you know your child is going to be late, please call, prior to 9am to let us know.
- When calling to inform us of an absence please let us know the reason for absence.
- If you would like another adult to collect your child, please inform us in advance of the end of school day.



### School Values

We have rebranded the school values to help the children understand and recognise them. We have retained the original values but have added characters and these will be displayed around the school, spoken about and are on our awards certificates.

#### **Leadership Lion**



#### **Creative Cat**



#### **Confident Crocodile**



#### **Empathy Elephant**



### Welcome Wednesday

The first Wednesday of every month is where we welcome our families into school to share the children's learning. When you drop off your children in the morning, please feel free to follow them into class to join in the fun. Sadly, we will need to say goodbye to you at 9:30am.



### School Reports

As agreed last year during our parent consultation on school reports, we will be issuing an Interim Report. Although this report is brief it will inform you of how well your child has settled into the school routine and how they are progressing in the main curricular areas.

### Parents' Night

We are pleased that we will be hosting Parents' Night at school on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November. Appointments to see either Mr Ness or Mrs Kydd will be available to book via Parentsportal. If you have not registered for Parentsportal please contact the office and we will be happy to help you. Information for Parents' Night will be emailed to you nearer the time.

If you would prefer to speak to your child's teacher online, please contact the office and we will be happy to arrange this.

## Christmas

### Festive Fridays

As usual we will be doing Festive Fridays, where the children are welcome to wear something festive such as a Christmas jumper, a snowman hair slide, a piece of tinsel etc every Friday in December.



### Lights, Camel, Action!

This year our performance is based on strictly come dancing with lots of singing and a few twists. The children will be performing at the Village Hall on 14<sup>th</sup> December in the evening. A sneaky elf has told me that Friends of Johnshaven School will be organising refreshments.



### Christmas Lunch

Mrs McConnach will be hosting our Christmas School lunch on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December. More details will follow nearer the time.



### Christmas Parties

This year our parties will be held on the last day of term in the afternoon. Lots of fun will be had by all and the children are welcome to bring a change of clothing for the party.



