

## Douglas Primary School & ELC NEWSLETTER 4- Nov 2023 ELC NEWS



Be Safe—Be Happy—Be All You Can Be!

#### **STAFFING**

We are delighted to welcome Stephanie Ashbridge who will be working within the ELC on a permanent basis every Thursday and Friday. We also welcome Cody Riddicks who will be working full time within the ELC until Mairi returns from her maternity leave.

## **FLUORIDE VARNISHING**

Fluoride varnishing will be taking place tomorrow (29th Nov) for those children that have returned permission forms.

## ST. ANDREW'S DAY

To celebrate St. Andrew's day on Thursday 30th November the ELC will carry out their own set of activities in playroom. Children can also wear tartan if they want to.



#### **REINDEER VISIT**

A big thank you to Frank Swords who has kindly organised a Reindeer visit for the school & ELC on Thursday. This will be sure to get us in the sprit of Christmas.



#### PARENT COUNCIL UPDATE Lucky Numbers Club

Unfortunately the Parent Council Lucky Numbers club has only had 19 people sign up to it. Therefore it is not worthwhile continuing, as the prize money would be very low.

For those that have signed up the Parent Council will return your money prior to the Christmas break.

#### **Christmas Fair**

The Parent Council Christmas Fair will be taking place on **Friday 8th December in the school hall from 9.30am— 11.15am.** All family and friends of the school & ELC are welcome to come along.

Entry will cost £2 for adults which will include a drink and mince pie.

Another fantastic raffle has been organised for this year with the following top 3 prizes:

1st—Xbox Series S 2nd—Kindle Fire 3rd—'Bright' Football Plus many more, including cash prizes. Raffle tickets will be issued this week.

The Parent Council are looking for donations for the tombola stall and home baking stall. If you have any items for the tombola please drop them off at the school office. Any donations of home baking would be welcome on Thurs 7th Dec or on the morning of the Fair.

#### CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Our ELC Christmas Lunch will take place on Tuesday 12th December.

Katie and Nicola will be taking orders at drop off and pick up next week.



## SANTA's GROTTA

A special visitor will be arriving at Douglas Primary School and ELC on Wednesday 20th December. All the children in the ELC will get the opportunity to visit Santa in his grotto and receive a present from his hard working elves from the Parent Council.

#### CHRISTMAS NATIVITY

The ELC Christmas Nativity will be taking place on Thursday 21st December at 3pm in the school hall.

All ante and pre school children will be taking part. Our 2 year old children are invited to attend as our VIP guests to watch the performance.

All family and friends are welcome to attend, no tickets will be required for the performance.

We hope to see you all there!





# Douglas Primary School & ELC NEWSLETTER 4 - CHRISTMAS PLANS



#### **Christmas Jumpers/Dress**

Rather than having only one day designated for wearing Christmas jumpers we have decided to allow pupils and staff to wear Christmas dress any day they wish throughout the month of December. If your child wishes to they can come to ELC everyday in their Christmas jumpers/t-shirts etc.

We would like to create a Christmas clothing bank in the school, therefore if you have any items of Christmas clothing that your child has outgrown then please can you hand them into the school office.



## **Christmas Foodbank Appeal**

During the month of December we will be collecting donations for the local food bank.

We would welcome any donations of non-perishable foods, toiletries and cleaning products.

Christmas napkins and treats such as selection boxes would also be greatly received.

We will be setting up a Food Bank Appeal table outside Mrs Hughes office where children can drop of any donations between the 1st of December until the 15th of December.

#### **Christmas Parties**

The ELC Christmas Party will take place on Friday 22nd December in the morning.

We would ask that the children come in the morning dressed for their party. A change of clothes can be brought along if they wish to change after the party has taken place.



## Cost of the School/ELC Day

The Parent Council have secured £500 towards the purchase of gift vouchers to support those most in need at Christmas.

If you need financial support in purchasing gifts for your child for Christmas please complete the form below. Please note that the total value of vouchers issued will depend on demand.

All requests will be dealt with by Mrs Hughes so will remain confidential.

CHRISTMAS GIFT VOUCHER REQUEST FORM

#### DATES FOR THE DIARY

A reminder of dates in the diary - dates in red are new ones that will not be on the Term 1 calendar, please add these to your paper copy of the calendar.

Wednesday 30th November St. Andrew's Day Celebration (Wear tartan)

Friday 8th December Christmas Fair 9.30—11.15am (everyone welcome)

> Tuesday 12th December Christmas Lunch

## Wednesday 20th December Santa's Grotto

Thursday 21st December ELC Nativity 3pm (all ante pre and pre school children will be taking part)

Friday 22nd December ELC Christmas Party 2.30pm close for Christmas!



WELLBEING INDICATOR OF THE MONTH

Our Wellbeing Indicator of the Month for November is: **Achieving** 

