



Douglas Primary School & ELC

NEWSLETTER 3 - October 2025

SCHOOL NEWS



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PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Thank you to everyone who attended the parent/carer consultations prior to the October holiday week. It was lovely to see you all and be able to provide feedback on how your child has settled into their new class.

HALLOWEEN FUN DAY

We will be hosting our annual Halloween Fun Day on Friday 31st October.

Children are invited to come dressed up or down. However can we please ask that no props such as swords are brought in. Can we also ask that you consider how scary some masks are as some younger pupils can find this quite distressing.



A big thank you to the Parent Council who be providing treat bags.

THEMED LUNCH DAY

We will be hosting a Bonfire themed lunch day on Wednesday 5th November. The options will be as follows:

- Firecracker Pizza & Fries
- Banger & Fries
- Sandwich Selection - Cheese, tuna or ham
- Firework Sponge

NUT FREE ZONE

SLC promotes that all schools are Nut Free Zones due to allergies associated with them.

We now have several pupils in the school/ELC under investigation for possible allergies so we would ask that no snacks or packed lunches containing nuts or nut based ingredients are sent to school.

POPPY APPEAL

P6/7 will be selling Poppies within the school in the coming weeks. We ask that the children bring a donation of 20p or more to buy a poppy.

P6/7 will also be hosting a special Remembrance Assembly on Tuesday 11th November at 9.30am. Everyone is welcome to attend.



Poppy Appeal

CHILDREN IN NEED

Our Kindness Council has organised a dress down day on Friday 14th November for Children in Need.

Children can come dressed down or in pyjamas if they wish to do so. We would ask that you bring a donation along for doing so that will then be given to Children in Need.



SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER

The school photographer will be in on Monday 17th November.

Individual, sibling and class photographs will be taken on the day for all pupils, however there is no obligation for you to purchase any of the prints.

If you do not wish for your child to be included within the class photograph then please inform the office prior to the 17th.

BOOK WEEK SCOTLAND

Book Week Scotland will be taking place on the week beginning the 17th November. Mrs Charnley and our library committee are busy planning events to celebrate the week.

All Primary 1–3 pupils will receive a free book bag to take home as part of the Bookbug & Family bag and Read, Write, Count gifting campaigns funded by the Scottish Government.

The aim of the bags is to build parents' confidence, and encourage families to include easy and fun reading, writing and counting activities in their everyday lives. More information on the project can be found at <https://www.scottishbooktrust.com/reading-and-stories/read-write-count>

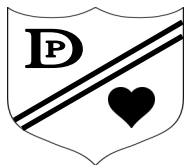


MORNING DROP OFF

As per the September newsletter can we please ask parents/carers to drop children off at the school gate in the morning and allow them to make their own way around to class. All children now appear settled and content, we hope they can now foster independence in making their own way around to their class lines.

Mrs Law and Mrs Campbell will be outside the infant area from 8.45am and Mrs Hughes or Mr Scobbie will be at the school gate to see the children in safely.

Parents/Carers can still collect children from the classroom doors at 3pm to reduce the volume of people gathering at the



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PARENT COUNCIL

Annual General Meeting

The Parent Council AGM will be taking place on Friday 14th November at 2pm.

The group are always looking to welcome new members and would encourage you to come along to the AGM to find out about the work they do and how you can support them.

If you are unable to attend the AGM but would like to find out more about the Parent Council then send an email to Douglas.Parent.Council@gmail.com and our secretary will be in touch with you.

Christmas Fair

The Parent Council Christmas Fair will be taking place on Friday 5th December in the morning.

As always the Parent Council are looking for donations for the tombola, so if you are having a pre-Christmas clear out and have any items that would be suitable for an adult or child then please hand them into the school office prior to the 5th of December.

Information regarding the Christmas raffle will be sent out in the next newsletter.



PARTICIPATORY BUDGET

Thank you to everyone who took the time to vote for the use of our Participatory Budget.

The winning option was for the money to go Outdoor Learning Resources. We will provide an update on what resources have been purchased shortly.

EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS

Block 1 of our Extra Curricular clubs is going well with nearly all children in the school attending at least one club throughout the week.

A reminder that the final week for clubs will be the week beginning the 24th November.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff who currently volunteer to run a club despite their many commitments at work and at home.

If you would be interested in helping out or running a club in the next session then please contact Mrs Hughes or the school office.

HOMEWORK

We still have a number of children who are not signed into their Google Classroom in order to access homework tasks.

If you have not been able to log in to your child's account could you please speak with your child's teacher or contact the school office and we will support you to do so.

ATTENDANCE

As in previous sessions we continue to have a focus on regular attendance at school. This is also a current priority for South Lanarkshire Council.

As a school we have devised a new Attendance Policy which will be shared with you shortly. We would welcome any feedback on this policy and the way in which we try to ensure regular attendance for all of our pupils.

Please remember you can view your child's attendance via ParentsPortal. Any attendance below 90% is deemed a cause for concern.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

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

Friday 31st October
Halloween Fun Day

Wednesday 5th November
Flu Immunisation

Thursday 6th November
P4/5 Parent/Carer Class Visit
1.30pm

Monday 10th November
Inservice Day

Tuesday 11th November
P6/7 Armistice Assembly 9.30am
start—all welcome to attend

Friday 14th November
Children in Need Day
Dress down/Pyjama Day

Monday 17th November
Photographer in (individual,
family and class photos)

Week Beginning 24th November
Final week of extra-curricular
clubs

Tuesday 25th November
P5/6 Parent/Carer Class Visit
1.30pm

WELLBEING INDICATOR OF THE MONTH Healthy



GROWTH MINDSET MOTO OF THE MONTH

My Brain its like a
muscle that grows.

