



KELVINDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2019



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Staff News

Welcome back to Mrs Milne who returned from maternity leave last week.

Parent Council

Parent Council Meeting for Term 3 is on
Wednesday 29th January at 7pm.

Please email points for agenda to:
kelvindaleppc@hotmail.co.uk or place in the
box outside the school office.

PTA Meeting

Next Meeting: **Wednesday 29th January at
7.15pm.** New members welcome.

PTA School Halloween Discos

The PTA would like to thank all Parents/Carers
who volunteered at the Halloween Discos – they
raised **£788!**

Thank you to our PTA for organising these very
popular evenings.

Christmas Cards & Gifts

The PTA's Christmas Cards venture was a
huge success once again - it raised a massive
£1441!

Thank you to our PTA for organising these
personalised cards & gifts and to everyone who
supported this venture.

PTA Sustainable Christmas Market

Sat 7th December 10.30am – 1pm

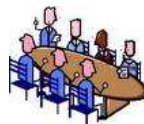
Please come along and support this family
event.

Parents' Evenings & Book Fayre

It was fantastic to welcome so many parents/
carers to Parents' Evening. A great big thank
you for visiting the Book Fayre. All profits raised
will provide literacy resources for our pupils. **A
special thank you to Mrs McGregor and Ms
McCann** who managed the Book Fayre on
Parents' Evenings.

Flu Vaccinations

Children who have returned and completed
consent forms will be receiving their flu
vaccination on Monday 9th December 2019.



Holidays

SCHOOL CLOSSES:
2.30pm Thurs 19th Dec 2019
PLEASE BE PROMPT

SCHOOL RE-OPENS:
Monday 6th January 2020
School re-opens for all. Breakfast Club 8am

Cordia Christmas Lunch

Please send your Christmas lunch order, with
payment if required, by Monday 3rd Dec. If not,
please send your child with a packed lunch on
Friday 13th Dec.

Festive Fun!

The £4 Winter Fun Pack contributes towards the
cost of Christmas events. If you have still to pay
for this, please send your payment to class
teacher or main office before Wednesday 11th
Dec. Thank you.

Gymfest

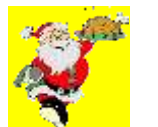
We are incredibly proud of all the children who
participated in Gymfest at the Emirates Arena on
12th November. The Kelvindale routine had an
inclusive and anti-bullying theme.
Thank you also to Mr Rodger for devising this
inspiring routine which has received much praise.

City of Dance

Several Kelvindale pupils took part in the City of
Dance Performances at Knightswood Secondary
and Cleveden Secondary. Miss Maxwell, Miss
Prentice and Mr Rodger choreographed fantastic
routines to showcase the children's talent in street
dance, cheerleading and contemporary dance.
Our contemporary troupe "A Life through Dance"
won the Glasgow West Heat and will represent the
school at the city finals in June. Hopefully our
street dancers will be joining them! Thank you to
all the children who took part and for parents for
your continued support in transporting the children
to and from these events.

School Security

All parents and visitors are reminded that at all
times of day, they **must** enter by the main building
front door & report to main office for assistance,
sign in and receive a visitor badge.
Anyone wishing to use toilet facilities must inform
main office beforehand. Thank you.



Pokemon Cards

Several children have been bringing their Pokemon cards to school to play with, and trade with friends, at breaks and lunchtimes.

Unfortunately, disagreements over Pokemon card trades are spilling over into class time, with teachers having to sort out several disputes with children who have changed their mind over trades. This means precious learning and teaching time is being lost.

I do not wish to ban Pokemon cards completely at this stage. However, many children need help in understanding that once they have made a trade, then that's it, they can't change their mind. If the cards are so precious to them, then they should not bring them to school to trade. I would greatly appreciate it if you could speak to your child about this.



When you stop-SWITCH IT OFF!

Do you know that idling vehicles parked on Glasgow's roads are contributing to the air pollution problems in our city? There are regulations in place to deal with this and you could be faced with a fixed penalty ticket for idling your engine unnecessarily.

For the sake of all of us, especially our children, **do not** sit in your car with your engine running.



Parking in Private Lane

Following a recent meeting with the co-owners of 37-42 Dorchester Court, 1 Dorchester Place, they have informed me that parents of Kelvindale Primary are parking their cars down their private access lane during school pick-ups. This rear access lane leads to residents' car garages, bin stores and back gardens. Not only are they parking there, but these parents are also leaving their engines running, which is both a pollution issue and a nuisance to the residents. They can also find it difficult or impossible to get their own cars out during these times.

A resident raised a huge concern that a parent had got out their car and allowed their child to use their garden as a toilet.

It is important that we in Kelvindale Primary have a good relationship with our neighbours. Please find an alternative place to park that will not upset local residents. This will also help to ease congestion around the school. Thank you.



Head Lice

Schools are not permitted to send out letters regarding Head Lice. Please make sure that you check your child's hair for head lice on a regular basis and treat promptly when required. A link to an updated guidance from the NHS on the treatment of head lice is available on our website.



Cancer Research UK

Non Uniform Day

Friday 6th December

Our latest Charity Fundraising Day is going to be on Friday 6th December for Cancer Research UK. This is being organised by our Pupil Council.

Please come dressed in warm clothing suitable for fun outdoor games and activities and bring a pound donation to this worthy cause.

There will also be:

- a bake sale where cakes can be purchased for 30p (max 1 per person)
- Guess the bear & guess the elf's birthdays (50p a guess)



Christmas Assembly

Our Christmas Assembly will take place on **Thursday 19th December** in **St John's Renfield Church** at **9.30am**. We look forward to welcoming parents, family and friends of Kelvindale Primary at this service.

If you DO NOT wish your child to attend this service for religious reasons you must INFORM CLASS TEACHER IN WRITING BY TUESDAY 17th DECEMBER. Arrangements will be made for teacher supervision of children not attending the service for religious reasons. All pupils should come to school as normal on this day.



Can You Help?

The children walk to St John's Renfield Church on Thurs 19th Dec from **9.10am onwards and return to school at approximately 10.30am**. If you could help us by walking with a class to and from the church we would greatly appreciate your help.

If you can help please wait in the playground beside infant building after 9am on Thursday 19th Dec and management will direct you to classes once the children have gone inside. At the end of the service please then re-join that class to walk back to school. Thank you in anticipation of your help.



**Enjoy a restful and joyful festive season with your family and friends
With every best wish for 2020**

Kind regards,
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