

Eastern Primary School Newsletter

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Eastern Primary School Vision –

Our children will be **included, safe, healthy, caring, active and responsible**

Welcome back after our October break! The children and staff have returned to school full of energy and enthusiasm for the term ahead. We finished last term with a wonderful Harvest assembly, led by Reverend Catherine Collins. We were delighted to welcome the children from the morning Nursery session for the first time. The mound of food which was gathered from every class was most impressive and we would like to express our grateful thanks, to everyone who contributed so generously, on behalf of the **Cyrenians** charity for vulnerable people across Dundee.



Poppyscotland - Supporting our Heroes

Poppies will be available for a donation from Monday 29th October. Primary 7 pupils will visit classrooms each day to give every child and adult the opportunity to donate to this national charity. We will mark Remembrance Day on Monday 12th November during a whole school assembly. Mr Young from The City of Dundee Combined Ex-Services Association and PoppyScotland will visit Primary 7 to share his experiences with our oldest children.



Nursery Expansion

Preparations are almost complete which will allow us to welcome additional nursery aged children to our school. The capacity of the nursery will grow from 30 morning and 30 afternoon places to 50 places for each session. Staff are working hard to make the new space ready for additional pupils and we hope to have an official opening date very shortly!



CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Miss Glass who was married during the October break and is now Mrs Gray!



The Book Fair will be at school between 12/11/12 and 19/11/12.

A magazine containing book selections will be sent home in school bags next week and the fair will be open during our upcoming parents evenings. All profits from the book fair will be used to continue to improve our literacy resources across the school.

Welcome to Mrs Alison Dempsey who has joined us for two days a week until the end of the year. She is a Principal Teacher with particular expertise in Additional Support Needs. Welcome also to Mrs Alison Carmichael, our Educational Psychologist who replaces Mrs Karen Moran. Our school will benefit greatly from their input and participation in the future

LOST PROPERTY

We have an amazing amount of lost property - all without names so we can't return property to owners. Please, please, please put names on EVERYTHING being brought to school - many thanks.



Parents are reminded not to approach children in the playground during breaks. Please pass information on via the school office. Thank you

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - TERM 2	
Parents, carers and family members are invited to join us on the dates shown in bold.	
07.11.12	Halloween disco - fancy dress
08.11.12	Inservice Day 2
09.11.12	Inservice Day 3
13.11.12	Parents Evening 1 - 4.00pm -6.30pm
15.11.12	Parents Evening 2 - 6.00pm - 8.30pm
20.11.12	Parent Council 7.00pm in staff room
20.11.12	P7 supporting Scottish Opera in Elephant Angel at Gardyne Theatre
22.11.12	P1b Class Assembly
29.11.12	Broughty Ferry Christmas Light Switch On - Choir to attend.
30.11.12	St Andrew's Day (Activity Day)
02.12.12	Sing a Song at Christmas Charity Concert, BF New Kirk - Choir to attend.
12.12.12	P6 + P7 Christmas Party
13.12.12	Nursery to P1 Nativity
14.12.12	P7 Christmas fayre
17.12.12	P4 + P5 Christmas Party
18.12.12	P5 - P7 Panto / N - P4 Panto
19.12.12	Church Service / P1-3 Party
20.12.12	Nursery Christmas Party
21.12.12	End of term - 12noon finish
Term 3 begins	
07.01.13	Burn's Day
25.01.13	P7a Assembly
31.01.13	Parent Council Meeting
05.02.13	Open Day 1.30pm - 3.00pm
06.02.13	Inservice Day 4
07.02.13	Mid Term Holiday
08.02.13	Mid Term Holiday
11.02.13	Mid Term Holiday
14.02.13	P7b Assembly

The Parent Council invites everyone to dress up for this disco - anything you like it doesn't have to be scary!



Wear something Scottish to celebrate St Andrew's Day and take part in Scottish Activities for the day.

P7 children are supporting Scottish Opera to put on a spectacular Opera - *Elephant Angel* - which links learning across the curriculum

Look out for more details heading your way nearer the time!

P5-P7 Pantomime is **Snow White** at the Byre Theatre

N - P4 Pantomime is **Dick Whittington** by M&M Productions

Whether you think you can or whether you think you can't - you're right!



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