

Holm School Newsletter

End of Term Update October 2016

Dear Parent/Carers

A number of leaflets accompany this newsletter which may be of interest to you and your children as the holidays approach.

South Highland Schools Athletics

The school entered a girls' and boys' team to the annual South Highland Athletics Association cross country event at Bught Park this week. We are delighted to announce that both teams were successful and won silver medals. In addition, Zoe Sharpe won a gold medal in the individual section for the second year running. As this is the centenary year of the Association, Alister Cameron, Chairman, will come to school to present the children their medals after the October break. Congratulations to Zoe Sharpe, Ruth Wilson, Maisie MacLennan, Isla Marwick, Emily Murray, Lexie Fea, Ben Webster, Duncan Proudfoot, Cruz Hastings, Conor Wilson, Cairn Macpherson and Kaii Foxcroft.

The Big Dance

I am happy to announce that the children from Dancemania will be performing on the main stage at Eden Court. This will take place on Monday 14th November in their Big Dance Show. Tickets are available to the public at £12 for an adult and £6 for a child. We wish them luck for their last week's rehearsals and the big event.

Garden Group

The school is looking for parent volunteers to assist with gardening around the school. If you are able to spare a few hours please contact the school office. Thank you.

Shoe Box Appeal

As previously stated, the school will be participating in the Blythswood Appeal again this year. All contributions will be most welcome. Families are invited to donate individual items or a complete box. Donation lists will be issued shortly. We do not have a collection date as yet but will keep you updated as soon as we are informed. Many thanks.

Autumn/Winter Lunch Menu

The Autumn/Winter lunch menu has now been issued with this newsletter. Please keep it safe for reference.

Junior Leaders

Thank you to Mrs Sharpe for her ongoing work with our junior leaders. The new leaders appointed this session are Mikey Ritchie & McKenzie Duff from Mrs Chalmers' class. The children appointed from Miss Allan's class are Kirsty Topping and Alasdair Robb.

Hallowe'en Disco

The Hallowe'en disco, which has been arranged by the Parent Council will be held on Wednesday 2nd November. Admission is £2 per child. **Entry money should be brought in on the night and not taken in advance to the school office.**

The Nursery/Primary 1-3 disco will be between 6.00pm and 7.00pm. The Primary 4-7 disco will run from 7.30pm until 8.45pm.

All parents of nursery pupils whose children are going to the disco must remain with their child for the duration of the event.

Pokemon Cards

We strongly advise parents to discourage pupils from bringing Pokemon cards to school. A number of pupils have become very upset following trading these cards with their peers. We understand that these cards have value and should be left at home. Staff cannot investigate missing or lost cards.

Parking Concern

A resident from Ardhorn Place came in person to the school yesterday with serious concerns around pupil safety at the start and end of the school day. He reported that parents are mounting the pavements with their vehicles and small children attempting to cross the road are not being seen by drivers. In addition some parents are parking across driveways without due consideration to residents. Unsafe parking around the school poses a risk to the safety of your children and to our good relationships with the community.

Holidays

We wish our pupils and their families a very relaxing Autumn break. Please remember that the school will be open to all children on Monday 24th October.