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## Weekly Updates – Week 9<sup>th</sup> December 2019

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### Welcome to our Weekly Update

<p><b>Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Dec</b></p>	<p>Our Xmas Jumper Swap Shop will open today. Jumpers/t-shirts etc will be available in the meeting room to swap or to buy for a SMALL donation. If you have any Xmas jumpers/tops that you do not need then please drop off at the school for our shop. P7s will be leading this! <b><i>Our shop will be open from 2.30 to 3pm every day until the holidays.</i></b></p>
<p><b>Mon 9<sup>th</sup> Dec</b></p>	<p>There will be a Post box set up in A Block. If your child wishes to give out cards, then please post cards into the post box and our wee toots in P1-3 will deliver them throughout the week. ☺</p>
<p><b>Tues 10<sup>th</sup> Dec</b></p>	<p>The Digital Forum with Robert Quigley is for HIGHLAND STAFF only. Sorry if parents thought it was for them. ☺</p>
<p><b>Wed 11<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>  <b>Our Winter Show</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Times: 9:30am and 1:45pm</b> <b>Please purchase tickets at the office. ☺</b></p> <p><b>Doors open at 9am and 1:30pm.</b> Please come in the front door and you will be serenaded by our lovely choir. You can help yourselves to a tea/coffee and some Xmas nibbles from our Parent Council in the hall before you take your seat. There will also be some Xmas arts and crafts to buy which have been made by our Craft Club – so please take some pennies with you. You may also be asked to join in with some singing and dancing – so remember your dancing shoes and coolest dance moves☺. You will be guided through the show by 2 x P7 Hosts.</p>
<p><b>Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Dec</b></p>	<p>Xmas Jumper Day - We are supporting 'Save the Children' this year. Please wear your Christmas Jumper /t-shirt/accessories to School on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December. All of our donations (minimum £1) will make a huge difference to children across the world.</p>
<p><b>Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Dec</b></p>	<p>P7 pupils to attend the IRA for their annual ASG Ceilidh.</p>
<p><b>Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Dec</b></p>	<p>This is the date of our <b>Pupil Council Xmas Movie night</b>. Begins at 6.30pm and ends at 8pm. £2 a ticket to buy on the night. <b>We need some parent helpers for this. Can you let me know if you can help supervise on the night.</b> <a href="mailto:Ruth.mackay2@highland.gov.uk">Ruth.mackay2@highland.gov.uk</a></p>
<p><b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec</b></p>	<p>Parents/families - Please come along to our End of Term assembly led by Chaplain Fiona Smith. This will start at 11am.</p>
<p><b>Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Jan 2020</b></p>	<p>Shinty club will start for P3-5 pupils from 4.30 – 5.30 with Inverness Shinty Club coaches. A poster will be emailed about this in the next few days. If you wish your child to attend then please complete the slip on the poster and return asap – the places will be on a first come, first served basis. If you can also help or would be interested in becoming a leader then please let me know.</p>

## Holm's Newspaper Team



### Holm Primary News

By Erin and Charley

Welcome to Holm Primary News.

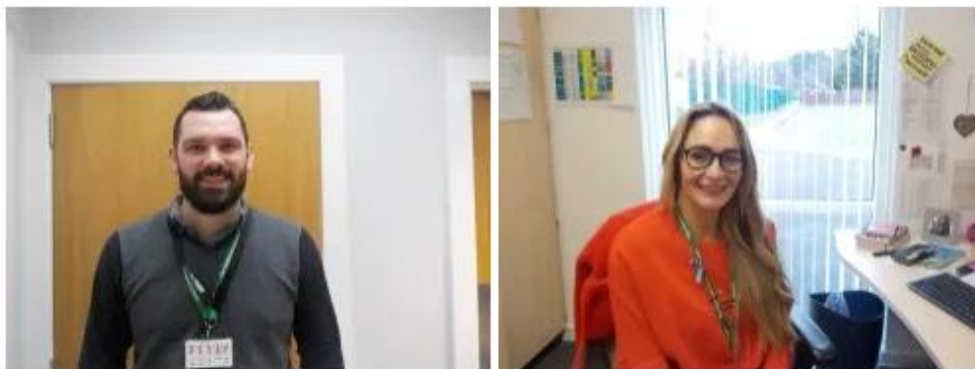
This term we interviewed Mr Ross. He very kindly answered all of our questions and even told us some funny stories too.

One day Mr Ross went to gel his hair and there wasn't any gel so he used shampoo instead. Then he went to school. He went outside and it started raining and his hair went all bubbly!

Also he ripped his trousers. Not once, not twice, but three times in primary 7!!!! He was very embarrassed!!

We also asked Mr Ross about his new baby girl and how her name was chosen.

He said: "We made a list of names then scored them out of five and Ellie was the name that got the most votes."



By Cameron and Emily

We have a new head teacher at our school. Her name is Mrs Mackay.

When we interviewed her she told us that her favourite things are shopping, gardening and family time.

In school now we have a reward scheme called Going for Gold. Pupils get rewards for kindness.

A silver card is if you do a kind thing. If you get 10 silver cards you get a gold card!!!

Before Mrs Mackay came to this school she was a head teacher at Teanassie, Dochgarroch and Tornacross.

She has been teaching for 12 years but she hasn't always been a teacher. She also worked as a science development officer for a year.

## ASN – Additional Support Needs

Please see links below to the ASN consultation surveys. The questions in the surveys come from HGIOS 4 - How Good is OUR School and Inspection questionnaires. They are aimed at eliciting information regarding ASN Highland wide and **not** to focus on practice in individual schools. All survey information will be shared in due course without schools being individualised but as a Highland wide picture. Please complete the surveys if you haven't already. The survey will close on December 11<sup>th</sup>. I have also added in the links for secondary pupils/parents if you have children in both primary and secondary.

[Primary pupil survey](#)

[Secondary pupil survey](#)

[Primary parent survey](#)

[Secondary parent survey](#)



### **Celebrating Achievements at Holm:**

Patrick and Aoife: *“On Sunday 1st December Patrick and Aoife planted silver birch trees at Dunain Community Woods. We learnt about the importance of trees in our world. We cannot wait to visit them and see how much they’ve grown.”* ☺ From Mum. Well done to both of you!  
What a kind thing to do.



Well done to our choir who raised £103 for MFR Cash for Kids by singing some lovely Christmas Songs at the Victorian Market. Well done also to Mrs Bradley for playing the keyboard, Mr Evans for helping us sing and Mrs Henderson for taking us there. ☺



***A big well done to Molly who has successfully moved up a level in swimming! Well done you!***