



# Linlithgow Bridge Primary School

December Newsletter

Dear Parent / Carer,

A festive welcome to our December newsletter! Although it is only the first week in December, in school festive preparations have begun with our Christmas Fair on Friday and our Nativity next week.

## Christmas Shoe Box Appeal

Very many thanks for the donations of shoe boxes which we collected for Team Hope this year. This year I am delighted to say we collected 58 filled boxes and donated £194 to this very worthwhile cause.

## Charities

This year we will support the following charities –

UNICEF and Sick Kids Hospitals in Edinburgh, Glasgow and Aberdeen through the Read for Good campaign, which provides new books for children in these hospitals.

## School Website

Please visit our new school website for up to date information about our school.

## Learning Together

At Parent Council on Tuesday, I shared information on Scotland's new 3 year action plan on parental involvement, parental engagement, family learning & learning at home. The plan recognises that it is parents who are the primary educators of children and that it is only through positive relationships based on trust, respect & partnership that we will achieve our goals.

A self-evaluation toolkit has been created by WLC for schools and Parent Councils to use to identify strengths and areas for improvement.

I would like to invite you to join me in school for coffee at 9am on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2019 to complete this audit. If you can attend I would be very grateful if you could confirm with the school office.

I do hope to see you all over the next 3 weeks, but if not, I wish you a very merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Kind regards,

Susan Webster  
Head Teacher



# Text Messaging

If the school has to close early or indeed if it cannot open at all because of inclement weather or another emergency, you will be notified by our Groupcall service. We ask that you check your mobile phones and listen to Radio Forth for regular updates during these times. **Information is also available on the West Lothian Council Website. Please remember to update your contact details with the School Office if you change any contact telephone number or email address.**



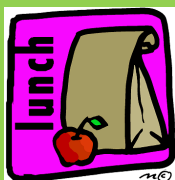
## Pupil Absences

If your child is absent from school or nursery please contact school by **9.15 am** on that day (Tel No: 01506 671428). Please note that this is a very busy time in the school office and if you are unable to contact us by telephone you can leave a message on the school answering machine or you can e-mail school on our school e-mail address:

**[wllinlithgowbridge-ps@westlothian.org.uk](mailto:wllinlithgowbridge-ps@westlothian.org.uk)**

## **Weather**

**At this time of year we can expect some changeable weather. Please make sure your child comes to school wearing appropriate clothing for the weather conditions. Thank you.**



## School Lunches

Please order and pay for your child's school lunches through the iPayimpact system. Lunches cost **£2.04** and all P1-P3 lunches are free but can still be ordered through iPayimpact. Please check your child's account regularly and pay for lunches at time of ordering. Thank you.

# School Website

<https://linlithgowbridgeprimary.westlothian.org.uk/>

Please visit our brand new website which has now gone live!

## LINLITHGOW BRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL CLASS ASSEMBLIES 2018-2019

We would like to give you advance warning for our assembly dates for this session. Please note the following dates for your diaries. All class assemblies will be held on Fridays at 9.00 am in the school gym hall:

P4 – 18<sup>th</sup> January  
P3 – 15<sup>th</sup> February  
P2 – 15<sup>th</sup> March  
P1M- 24<sup>th</sup> May  
P1W – 7<sup>th</sup> June



## Dress Down Days

Please note the following Dress Down Days chosen by our Pupil Council. These will help raise money for our main charities this year which are **UNICEF** and **Sick Kids Hospitals** 'Read for Good' campaign. Children are invited to dress down on the following dates and bring a donation for our charities. Our Nursery PM class are invited to 'dress down' on the Thursdays prior to the Friday dates:

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December – Christmas Jumper  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January – wear something tartan  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February – wear pyjamas/ onesie and bring a teddy  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March – Crazy Hair day  
Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April – Pupils dress as teachers  
Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May – wear rainbow colours  
Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June – sportswear  
Pupils are invited to bring £1 on these days to donate to our school charities.



## Pupil Safety

In the interests of pupil safety, no vehicular access to the school area is permitted after 8.15 am.

Pupils should not arrive in the school playground before 8.30 am as there is no supervision.

"Park & Walk" – please consider parking in Aldi /B & M as previously advised. Congestion at the turning circle continues to be a problem.

I would very much like to continue to work in partnership with our parent body to help to make the school area a safer place to be. Your thoughts / suggestions are welcome!



## Breakfast Club

School Breakfast Club is open to all P1-P7 children, free of charge, every morning from **8.15 am**. P1–P6 children must be "signed in" by an adult but no prior booking is required! Please come along!

## School Contact Details

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Website: <https://linlithgowbridgeprimary.westlothian.org.uk/>

Twitter: @LinlithBridgePS

### School Holidays

We close for the Christmas break on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 12.30pm and all return on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019. February half term break is Monday 18<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>.  
<https://www.westlothian.gov.uk/article/16533/School-Terms-and-Holidays-20182019>



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### December 2018 Newsletter - Comments Slip

If you wish to make a comment on any item in the newsletter or anything else regarding the school please feel free to do so. Please return your comment slip to your child's teacher or alternatively to the school office.

Pupil's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

# DIARY DATES

## **DECEMBER 2018**

Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Rag Bag Collection
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	New date for P2-7 profiling session in Hall 3.30-4.30 pm
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Fair 9.30 – 12.00
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Nativity afternoon performance at 1.45pm ~ Tickets available
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Nativity ~ evening performance at 6.30pm ~ Tickets available
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Lunch
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	P1-3 Christmas Party
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Nursery Christmas Parties
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Pantomime at Howden Park for whole school
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>	P4-7 Christmas Party
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Last day of term!

## **JANUARY 2019**

Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup>	NSPCC Visit
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Scottish Workshop
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Café Conversation
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> /24 <sup>th</sup> /31 <sup>st</sup>	January Skiing sessions for P4 and P5 9am- 12.30pm
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup>	P5 Handball Festival ~ Linlithgow Academy 12.00 -2.45pm
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup>	P5 Swimming Assessments ~ Leisure Centre at 2pm (£1 coin required for lockers)

## **FEBRUARY 2019**

Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> /21 <sup>st</sup> /28 <sup>th</sup>	February Skiing Sessions for P4 and P5 9am – 12.30pm
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Holiday
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	In Service Day ~ holiday for children!
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Grandparents/Special Person Day 2.30 – 3.00 pm
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Council Meeting 7-9pm

