

# Insch School

## Newsletter 6 2016-17

### 28.11.16



Dear Parents/Carers,

### **Christmas Fair – 3<sup>rd</sup> December 11.30am – 1.00pm Final Arrangements**

#### Help Required

Our annual Christmas Fair is fast approaching and our PTA and classes are busy getting ready for the big day. We are looking for donations of baked goods (no fresh cream please), chocolate, bottles and raffle prizes. We also need volunteers to help man the raffle, bottle stall and tearoom. Please do get in touch with the Parent Council via the school office or [inschschoollpc@gmail.com](mailto:inschschoollpc@gmail.com) to offer your services.

#### Cash for Kids

Primary 2CT are looking for donations of toys (in good condition) to sell at the Fair. They are working on an Enterprise project to raise funds for Radio Northsound's Cash for Kids.



#### Christmas Fair Raffle 2016

I have been asked to remind you also to return the ticket stubs, money and any unsold tickets to the school office.



### **Christmas Pantomime – Rebooking. The Takeaway Theatre Company, Wizard of Oz.**

We have managed to secure an alternative Pantomime performance for the pupils after all. This will take place on Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> December @ 2.45pm. Your £1 donation per child will help us cover the cost of this and give the pupils another exciting curricular experience.

### **Carols by Candlelight Celebrations - 8<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm**

This is a whole school celebration of learning. Full pupil attendance is expected. Tickets can be ordered from school office. Letters about this will be sent home very soon.

### **Xmas Lunches – 15<sup>th</sup> December**

I omitted this important school event in my last newsletter. Pupils and staff are invited to wear Christmas jumpers to add to the festive cheer. A separate letter has been issued.

### **Change of date of P1 and P2 Christmas Parties.**

The P1 Christmas Party will be held on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec. The P2 party will be held on Tues. 20<sup>th</sup> December.

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## Meet the Teacher Event – 10th November

Feedback for this event has been very positive. Many of you told us that you enjoyed the event. You told us you found it very useful to find out how the class is run, what is being taught and to see all the pupils learning in and around the school. We will revise the format slightly for next year to suit those families with more than one child to see. Thank you all for coming and for the positive, constructive feedback. We will continue to roll out more initiatives to ensure parents are informed more regularly about their child's learning throughout the school year.

## Pupil Safety – Cycling to school

I received a phone call recently from a concerned member of the public saying that pupils are cycling across the driveway of Inch Hospital coming to school in the morning. These pupils are unsupervised and not waiting for cars to pass before making the crossing. I have raised this safety concern at assembly with the children. Parents must note that pupil's should only cycle to school unsupervised if they have passed their Cycling Proficiency Test (P5). Any child younger than this should not cycle to school unsupervised. We do not wish any child to be hurt or knocked off their bike. **Children must also remember to walk with their bikes whilst in the school playground.**

## Children in Need 2016

Thanks go to our Pupil Council who worked together to raise funds for Children in need. The school learned about how the money raised will go to help other children in the UK less fortunate than themselves. Thank you to everyone who did their bit to reach our grand total of £870.00!!



## Adverse Weather Arrangements

### **Insch School Adverse Weather Arrangements**

#### **Oct. 2016**

In the event of adverse weather school will remain open as far as possible. Information will be communicated to parents using these services.

#### **Aberdeenshire Council On Line Schools Closure Service**

To view the school status:

<https://online.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/Apps/schools-closures/>

#### **School Text Service**

Please note a text from school will only be sent from the school office computer.

Yours sincerely,

*Allison Conner / Head Teacher*

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