

Insch School

Newsletter 7 Session 2020-21
December 2020 16.12.20



Dear Parents/ Guardians,

As I write this newsletter today, we are in the midst of our end of term Christmas celebrations. I outline these for you below:

- Some of our Primary 7's and Dr Kay have rehearsed and filmed our Christmas Service which will be shown to the school on Friday morning.
- Our usual end of term Head Teacher Awards are ready to be presented on Friday.
- Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day has been another success with full tummies. Thanks go to our superb catering team for running a smooth and tasty service today for some 350 pupils. Thank you to our PTA for our Christmas crackers! So far today, we have raised £462.65 and counting for our Dragon's Den project in February. This is where our older pupils work together in groups and pitch for school resources.
- Our Snowman at Insch Christmas sign language performance is ready to be shared and viewed at home and school tomorrow.
- Classes are all having their Christmas Parties in class this week and the PTA have arranged a treat of an ice lolly or choc ice.
- This afternoon the boys and girls are enjoying a virtual Rapunzel – a virtual Christmas Panto... Oh yes they are!

General Covid-19 Message

As Aberdeenshire is now placed into Tier 3, the community of Insch must work together to keep control of Covid-19 cases in our local area as much as we possibly can. To this end, I urge everyone to:

- Take caution over the holidays and stick to the Covid-19 regulations: *Just because you can Doesn't mean you must*
- Report any positive cases to Test and Protect in order that close contacts can be notified.
- Follow the Test and Protect guidance on self-isolation.
- Follow all self-isolation guidance if returning from holiday abroad and notify school of any trips abroad.
- If anyone is displaying the usual Covid-19 symptoms, please stay off school.
- School will be closed from Friday 18th Dec. at 3.30pm until Monday 5th Jan. at 8.45am. If you need to get in touch, then please email the school insch.sch@aberdeenshire.gov.uk. Messages will be picked up on Monday 5th Jan. during the day.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff of Insch School for all their hard work over an incredibly tiring and strenuous few terms. Thank you to our parents for their continued support. I wish you all a safe and restful festive holiday. Stay safe.

Yours sincerely,
 Mrs A. Conner
 Head Teacher

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School Calendar of Holidays 2020-21

Term 2	
20/12/19	Last day of term 21/12/20 – 4/1/21 11 days
Term 3	
Tues. 5/1/20	Start of term
15/2/21	Public Holiday
16/2/20	INSET 4 School closed to pupils
17/2/20	INSET 5 School closed to pupils
1/4/20	Last day of term
2/4/21	Public Holiday
	Easter Holiday 5/4/21 – 16/4/21 10 days
Term 4	
20/2/20	Start of term
3/5/21	Public Holiday
7/6/21	Occasional Day Holiday Huntly Cluster
2/7/21	Last day of term

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