



ST NICHOLAS RC PRIMARY SCHOOL, BROXBURN

SCHOOL NEWS

NOV/DEC 2018

Diary Dates

November -

- Fri 9th Non-uniform day
- Fri 9th P5 Assembly, 11.15am
- Sun 11th Remembrance Parade, Strathbrock Memorial
- Mon 12th Parent Council, 6.30pm
- Tue 13th & 14th Parents' night, 3.30-6pm
- Fri 16th P4 Assembly, 11.15am
- Mon 19th School Photographer, P1 & P7
- Tue 20th P7 Trip to Dunfermline with Fr Jeremy
- Tue 20th P4 Benchball Festival
- Wed 21st P2 to Mass at church
- Wed 21st P7 Careers Fair at Broxburn Academy
- Mon 26th Nursery Parents' night (Pre-school)
- Thu 29th P2 Social Studies trip to a local building site

December -

- Mon 3rd Science Transition, P7
- Tue 4th Christmas Fayre, 5-7pm
- Fri 7th P7 dance children to St Margaret's Acad.
- Fri 7th Blessing of Crib and St Nicholas Mass, 11am
- Sat 8th Switch on of Broxburn Christmas Lights, 4pm
- Mon 10th Nursery Concert
- Wed 12th Nursery Concert
- Wed 12th Christmas Movie Night, 6pm
- Thu 13th P1 Nativities
- Fri 14th P1 Christmas Party
- Mon 17th P2/3/4 Christmas Party
- Tue 18th Nursery Christmas Party
- Tue 18th P5/6/7 Christmas Party
- Wed 19th Christmas Lunch
- Wed 19th Panto (in school)
- Thu 20th Christmas carol concert, 1.15pm
- Fri 21st Last day of term



Gold Sports Award for St Nicholas!

We have lots of great news that has been publicised widely on our social media channels. One very important achievement is that we won our Sport Scotland Gold Award. This is in recognition of all the afterschool clubs and the high profile that sport has in our school. We would like to thank Miss Miller and the Sports Committee for all the work they did to prepare the evidence for this.

As part of our BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) launch, the NSPCC led workshops throughout the school to ensure that our children know how to keep themselves safe in the community and online – the parental workshop was also well received.

Our curriculum cafes continue to be a huge success – it was lovely to see so many of you there to talk with your child about their learning and to see all their hard work.

Thank you to our Parent Council who continue to support us in all that we do – the children loved both the Halloween bags and the Movie Night that you organised for them. Another Christmas themed movie night is planned for the 12th of December. Remember to keep this newsletter safe – it contains lots of important dates for all upcoming events – including Christmas nativities, concerts and parties.

I look forward to welcoming you all to St Nicholas over the next few busy and exciting months,

Best regards,

Karen Brown – Head Teacher

Don't forget to follow us on our blog, Facebook and Twitter, to see what we've been up to.

Blog	bit.ly/StNicholasPS
Facebook	facebook.com/StNicholasRCPrimarySchool
Twitter	@WLSaintNicholas

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Christmas Fayre – Tuesday 4th December 5pm-7pm- 2018

Our St Nicholas Christmas Fayre will be a great evening for all the family:



Santa's Grotto

Christmas Crafts

Raffle

Refreshments

Entrance - £2 at the door for adults, includes drink and biscuit.

Children are free!

FASTworks Family Learning Group

Fancy a regular chance to chat with other parents and do fun stuff with your kids (without the usual distractions and costs!)? FASTworks is a wee group that meets fortnightly on a Thursday from 3-4:30pm in the family learning space. It is a relaxed and supportive group that just like meeting up! Come along on Thursday the 8th November at 3pm!

School Website

Don't forget to check out our new school website:

<http://stnicholasprimary.westlothian.org.uk/>

Pupil Voice - Vertical Learning Groups

All our P3 to P7 children have chosen groups that they wish to be part of. These groups are coming up with ideas and planning whole school events in areas like Eco, Relationships, Health, Diversity, STEM and Building a Reading Culture. The next group will run on the 26th of November.

Turning Circle



Recently we had a 'near miss' where a child ran out between two parked cars in the turning circle. Our turning circle is for drop off and pick up only. Please do not park your car there – it will cause an accident. Thank you.



**Society of
St. Vincent de Paul
Scotland**

SSVP is an international charity founded in France by Frederic Ozanam. Saint Vincent de Paul dedicated his life to serving and helping the poor. Today the charity collects donations locally from parishioners in SS John Cantius and Nicholas Church to help the local community. The charity offers assistance in a variety of ways - signposting to appropriate agencies, befriending those who are isolated, and offering access to caravan holidays. If you know of someone who you think may benefit from support, please call 07765 488257.



Remembrance Sunday

We meet as usual on Sunday the 11th of November at 1.15pm at Broxburn Parish Church for the Annual Parade to the Broxburn War Memorial at the Strathbrock Partnership. The Service of Remembrance is at 2pm. It would be lovely to see children and parents there to walk with us and attend.

Digital Leaders (BYOD)

Our digital leaders continue to learn lots about apps and tech in general and are cascading this knowledge throughout the school with Mrs Baty. They take this role very seriously – what great ambassadors for the creative use of technology in learning. Well done all of you!