



# December 2014



## DATES FOR DIARY

4th - P5/6/7 Science  
Show@ Waterside Theatre.

4th - Rev Stockitt's  
School Assembly.

9th -Mrs Wilson's parent  
meetings.

10th-Miss McCaskie re-  
turns as Mrs Young.

10th-Extreme Team  
School Assembly.

10th-PTA Supper with  
Santa event.

10th- 'FAST' Training

12th-Christmas jumper  
day-£1 donation to Save  
the Children.

12th 'FAST' training.

15th-final 'i-learn' club.

17th- Christmas dinner  
and children's' raffle.

18th- CEF Assembly, Pu-  
pil of Month Assembly.

18th- D.P.S Carol Service  
in Presbyterian Church at  
6pm

19th- Half Day-finish at  
noon.

Wednesday 7th Jan-  
School reopens.

## PRIMARY 1 ENTRY

The parents of children  
starting Year 1 in September  
**MUST** complete their applica-  
tion form by 14th January'15.  
If friends or family wish to  
visit the school, please en-  
courage them to do so.

## CEF ASSEMBLY

Children will enjoy the  
Christmas Story led by  
Heather  
Watson on 18th  
December



## Shoe Box Appeal

Many thanks to all who con-  
tributed to this worthy ap-  
peal. Over 40 boxes will be  
making children VERY happy  
this Christmas.

## COATS

As we encourage our children  
to exercise at break time, it  
is important that each child  
comes to school with a **clearly  
named** coat.



## WATER BOTTLES

We encourage children to  
keep their fluid levels up  
during the school day and  
allow a water bottle to sit at  
their desk. Please ensure it  
is only  
water contained within.

## ACCELERATED READING

Accelerated reading is  
working well for P3-7 chil-  
dren. Please keep reading  
over Christmas and claim  
prizes in the new year!

## MOBILE PHONE NUM- BERS

Please make sure the school  
is fully updated with your  
contact details. I know mo-  
bile numbers change so of-  
ten and it is vitally im-  
portant D.P.S. are  
kept up to date.



## PREFECTS

We would like to  
extend a, 'THANK  
YOU' to Adam, Chloe and Ni-  
cole who are wonderful at  
doing lots of jobs to help  
teachers and children at  
D.P.S!



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### CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

This year ALL children will be taking part on

## 18th December

in Donemana Presbyterian Church at **6.15pm.**

Please support this seasonal event and bring along friends and family.



### AFTER SCHOOLS CLUB

Every place in After Schools Club is valuable! Please ring and let us know if your child is not using their place as it can be offered to another child on the waiting list.

Please be prompt with collection times: **5:45pm sharp.** Additional late charges will apply.

### CHRISTMAS DINNER

The children's Christmas dinner will take place on 17th December. Heather and the staff make a delicious turkey and ham dinner and we encourage as many as possible to join in with the event. As a fun task, raffle tickets will be on sale for children priced at 20p. Children can buy tickets during break and win a selection of TOYS!

### RECYCLING

Just to remind parents of our recycling facilities. We have a bank on the playground where you can recycle shoes, curtains, clothes, sheets, towels and blankets. The bank will be going soon, so last chance to have a clear out!



### MILK

The price of milk will increase from 18p to 20p with effect from 1st JAN'15.



### LEARNING THIS MONTH!

The following is a brief 'snap-shot' relating to the learning this month is each class!

**P1**- Literacy- g,o,u,l,f,b sounds

Keywords, letter writing.

Numeracy- numbers 1-7, Money

Topic-Christmas

ICT-mouse control

**P2** Literacy- multi syllables, sh, ch, ck,qu,ar,ng,th sounds,Carebear adventures and Winnie in Winter tasks.

Numeracy- time and money

Topic- Toys

ICT- Numeracy games

**P3/4**-Literacy- story writing Numeracy- 3d shape, measure.

ICT-Powerpoint, mental maths games

**P5/6**- Literacy- poetry, rhyme, similes, metaphors, adjectives, alliteration, phonics.



Numeracy- division, volume Topic- 'Me'

ICT-word processing

**P6/7**-Literacy- Stig of the Dump tasks, collective nouns, palindromes

Numeracy- 2d and 3d shape ICT- Fruit and veg powerpoints.