

October 2020

Dornoch Primary Newsletter

Welcome back to our second term.

I cannot praise the staff and pupils enough for all the hard work they have completed since our return in August.

I am sorry that we still cannot invite you into our building to see all the work your children have on display. We will include some pictures in this newsletter, and you will be able to see the great work on our school web press site in glorious colour (dornochprimary.wordpress.com).

Meals

We are still unable to “break the bubble” by going into the Academy building to have hot lunches, so sandwiches will still be the choice of the day. We are working with the canteen staff to update the situation as soon as it is possible to do so.

Hygiene

I would like to confirm that the strict cleaning and hygiene regime during the school day and deep cleaning is still taking place daily.

Fire Brigade Christmas Party

As you may know the local fire station has hosted a Christmas party for all the children in the school for a number of years. The fire officers are all upset that they will not be able to host a party this year as they have not been able to fund raise. They are however intending to buy a book token for every child in the school. They are also going to try and give Santa a ride on their fire engine past the school. We will be getting the pupils to write to them to thank them for their generosity. They are hoping it will not be long before they are able to start fund raising for a party next December.

Rotary fund raiser – Dress up/Non-uniform day 30th October

Our P7 class are working with the local Rotary group to raise funds for Polio injections for the third world.

Part of this fund raising involves dressing up on Friday 30th October.

The rest of the school has decided to join in. Pupils can wear costumes or just come in non-school uniform on that day. There is a voluntary donation of £1 per pupil which we will add to the Polio collection.

Please no scary masks – thanks

Future Dates

November Children in Need Day

30th November School to be judged for Silver Rights Respecting Award

November 6th to 11th Poppies on sale

Parents Evenings

It is still not possible to have parents in the school building, so we are planning to hold telephone consultations in November. These will probably run from 3.30 to 5.30 over several nights. More details and time slots will be sent out.

Allsorts After School Club

Allsorts hopes to re-open in the next couple of weeks under revised circumstances in line with Scottish Government guidance; keep your eyes peeled for further information coming soon!

Indoor shoes

As we are going into the wintery weather can you please ensure your child has indoor shoes to reduce the mud and grass being dragged into the school but to also ensure the children have something dry to change into – Thanks.

School website and information

dornochprimary.wordpress.com

We are continuing to develop the Dornoch Primary School website. This should now be used to access school information. As we develop the website, if you feel there is some information you would like to see please let us know as we are trying to ensure all frequently asked questions can be answered here. If any parents have any questions about the school, please contact us directly on 01862 812901.

We will be using the site to share photographs of pupils work as well as school activities.

The Parent Council's Facebook page will no longer contain postings from the school unless we are trying to get emergency information out to parents then it will be posted in both places.

Parent Council

It is with great regret I have to announce that our Parent Council Chair Catherine McCulloch has decided to stand down from the committee. Catherine was going to stand down earlier but kindly agreed to stay on to get us through the lockdown. We cannot thank her enough for the wonderful work she has done in supporting the school over the last several years. She will be greatly missed.

If anyone is interested in joining the Parent Council office bearers' team, please let the school know. The job is not demanding we only have a few meetings a year and you will be joining a very supportive team.



We will be holding an on-line Parent Council meeting one evening this term.



