Ulva Primary School Newsletter Winter Term 2023

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KIND RESPECTFUL HARD-WORKING

DEAR PARENTS

Welcome to our winter term at Ulva Primary School. I hope you enjoyed your October break. We have a very busy and exciting term ahead.

This newsletter gives just a taste of what our school has been up to, for much more information, photos and comments from the children please visit our blog on

https://ulvaschoolprimary.wordpress.com/

Please contact the school if you want to chat over any areas of concern. Also be assured that no matter which school I am in, I can be contacted at any time.

My mobile number is 079029 44626/07786685227.



Susie Carmichael, Head Teacher

LAST TERM

SWIMMING

We really enjoyed our swimming sessions this term. Thank you so much to the Parent Council for agreeing to subsidise the travel and to Rebecca and Rhuri Munro who very kindly pay for the swimming instructors. This is such a valuable and enjoyable learning experience for the pupils.



The pupils performed so beautifully in the Local Mod on Friday 8th September in Tobermory. All pupils took part in the action song and some pupils performed individually. Well done to them all!







POSITIVE IMAGININGS

Our P4-P6 pupils visited Tiroran Lochdonhead Forest with and Bunessan Primary Schools for Positive Imaginings outdoor learning sessions about climate change with Rowanbank Arts forest circus 26^{th} performers 29th on September.

The pupils really enjoyed their sessions in the forest and enjoyed using their special crystal ball to see the world from a different angle.

BLYTHSWOOD SHOEBOX APPEAL

Thank you so much to the pupils, their families and the staff- 9 boxes donated to The Blythswood Shoebox Appeal from Ulva Primary School. These gift boxes are greatly appreciated by all recipients.



COMMUNITY CAFE

On 4th October we held a Community Café in aid of MacMillan Cancer Research. There were games of very high octane Bingo and there was lots of delicious home baking which the pupils expertly served to all the happy customers.

We raised a whopping £220.00 for this very worthwhile cause. Thank you so much!



THIS TERM

POPPY SCOTLAND

If you would like to make a donation to Poppy Scotland, poppies will be available from the school from Friday 3rd November.



CHILDREN IN NEED

The children would like to celebrate Children In Need Day on Friday 17th November. The children are having a 'Come dressed how you like' day. They are also welcome to bring a donation. We will be participating in mood boosting activities on the day.



COMMUNITY CAFE

We will be having a Community Café at the school on Friday 1st December. We will be selling Christmas gifts as well as our lovely tea-towels. We look forward to seeing you there.



CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY & CHRISTMAS LUNCH

We always enjoy Christmas Jumper Day. This year it is on Thursday 7th December. We are also planning to offer the children a cooked Christmas lunch at the school on Tuesday 19th December. I will send more information home nearer the time.



CHRISTMAS SHOW AND PARTY

Rehearsals are underway for our Christmas show 'Pirates versus Mermaids'. This will be performed on Monday 18th December and will be followed by our Christmas Party. Further details will follow.



REPORTING

We will be continuing with 'Seesaw' as a reporting tool. If you need any assistance with this please let us know

We will send out an interim report in December followed by Parental Consultations on Thursday 14th December We will then be sending out a full written report in May.

WORKING WITH PARENTS

As you know we are very keen indeed to involve you in any way we can in the working life of the school. For more information about our learning, and many more photos, please visit our blog on

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PARENT COUNCIL

The post holders for the Parent Council are:

William Howard - Chair
Daniel Brooks - Secretary
Rae Tiernan - Treasurer
Thank you all for your continued support to the school.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

- 23.10.23 Schools open
- 25.10.23 Author visit in Salen
- **30.10.23** *G* Fox starting student placement
- 31.10.23 Class Hallowe'en Party
- 17.11.23 Children in Need
- 24.11.23 Schools close
- 27.11.23 In-service
- **28.11.23** Schools open
- 1.12.23 Christmas Community Café
- 7.12.23 Christmas Jumper Day
- 14.12.23 Parental Consultations
- 18.12.23 Christmas Show & Party
- 19.12.23 School Christmas lunch
- 21.12.23 Schools close
- 4.1.24 Schools open