



# ROYAL MILE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## DECEMBER 2020



### **St Andrews Day – Storytelling Festival**

Every class has made a fantastic Sway to share their ‘Scottish Story’ with you. We have used ‘Sway’ and this is how we will also share other activities, learning experiences and events in school.

### **Competitions**

Many classes have taken part in Christmas Card design competitions across the city. We are waiting to hear if any of them have been successful. You can view some of the designs in the windows of Harkness Funeral Directors on Clerk Street.

**INDOOR SHOES** are vital as the weather worsens and the pavements are gritted. Please check that your child has these in school, we will lend out as many as possible.

Children will be going outside. They will need shoes suitable for walking and they should bring a jacket with a hood to school. Wellington boots on wet days.

Please **check which day PE** on the Blog. Children may wear PE kit with a school jumper on top.

### **SCHOOL LUNCHESES**

Please book lunches for JANUARY by 16<sup>th</sup> December at the latest. If you haven't booked by then please provide a packed lunch for the first week back.

### **ROAD SAFETY WINNERS**

The JRSO Team found choosing the winners very challenging. Please take time to look on the Class Blogs as other Road Safety advice has been shared there. Congratulations to LCC1:Sonny, LCC2: Felix, P1 : Rayan, P2: Arwa, P3: Kimmie, P5: Seth,P7: Mairi

### **FESTIVITIES**



Although we have had to postpone some of the lovely events and activities we usually organise, we will still be celebrating the holiday season. We will especially be taking the time to be thankful and look forward to next year. We

hope that you will join us online for some of these events.

We are expecting a guest appearance from Reverend Neil at the Kirk and maybe some other celebrities! We have to say a big thank you to the Parent Council who are helping us with the cost for some events like the Pantomime and are also providing a party bag and small toy for all the boys and girls.

### **New Year – New You!**

If your child has grown out of uniform or their outdoor coat we are happy to quarantine it and add it to our pre loved uniform stock.

Please let us know if you want to support the Eco group and rehome any uniform, we can send it home in a bag for you to try.

If you have other items that are past their best – please remember the RAGBAG bin just inside the gate. The school receives money for this recycling.

**AND if you get a new phone PLEASE remember to tell us your new number!**



### **Going Greener!**

You may have noticed some fantastic new planters out front! We can't wait to start making a difference to the environment by growing some plants and turning our urban environment a wee bit greener! They have arrived just in time for Spring and already I can feel a class challenge coming on!

If you have even a wee green finger please get ready – we will be asking for your advice and help!



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### **Bad Weather**

Please listen to Radio Forth and check the <https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/> in the event of bad weather. We will contact families using the mobile and emails you have provided as soon as we can as well.

### **HOME Learning**

Homework and information is being issued on CLASS BLOGS. It is essential that you and your child look at the Class Blog as a lot of information is being shared there. In the event that children cannot attend school due to self-isolating then this is where their school work will be posted.

*I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff, families and friends of Royal Mile Primary School for their support and patience during these unprecedented times.*

*We have supported each other, risen to every challenge, looked for solutions to every problem ... and kept smiling! Thank you!*

**Royal Mile Primary School wishes everyone a happy holiday. Stay Safe and keep well, look after each other. We look forward to more fun and adventures next year!**

*"May we treasure one another, may we realise how precious we are" (Fischy Music)*

Please be assured that as always the Royal Mile Team have the best interests of our pupils at heart and aim to provide a positive, supportive and safe learning community as we move forward together.

YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION ON Scottish Government website and the City of Edinburgh Website <https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/>

### **Dates for Your Diary**

#### **December**

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> P4 Virtual Sharing Assembly**

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> Christmas Lunch – this has to be booked via Parentpay**

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> SURPRISE!**

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> Class Quiz**

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Pantomime with ice lollies**

**Online Christmas Show shared with families**

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Celebration in classes with party bags (thank you Parent Council)**

**SCHOOL AND NURSERY CLOSED AT NOON TO PUPILS**

**TUESDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> DECEMBER at 12 NOON**

**SCHOOL AND NURSERY OPEN TO PUPILS**

**6<sup>th</sup> JANUARY at usual times.**

**PLEASE ENSURE WE HAVE THE CORRECT CONTACT DETAILS FOR YOU.**

If your child becomes unwell in school we will need to contact you immediately.



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**Absences 0131 556 3347 Option 1.** Please let us know why your child is absent and when you think they will return to school.

**Please telephone on 0131 556 3347 Option 2 if you have to drop off or collect your child outwith the usual times at school or nursery.**

**If you have any questions or enquiries you can contact us on 0131 556 3347 Option 2 (leave a message if it is busy) or [admin@royalmile.edin.sch.uk](mailto:admin@royalmile.edin.sch.uk) and we will get back to you as quickly as possible.**

**Thank you to everyone for coming to school at the right times and following the new one way system as that helps to maintain social distancing.**

**If you have an appointment and need to collect outwith these times.** Please let us know at drop off.

**If you need to come in to school for any reason** – please telephone beforehand to make an appointment if possible. When you arrive at the door, ring the buzzer and step back to the yellow line to wait for assistance. We'll come as quickly as we can.