



# Innerwick Primary School Newsletter

## Message from Mrs Whitford

As we are now approaching the winter months can you please remind the children to come to school with warm, outdoor clothing. Also with the clocks going back please stress the importance of road safety when travelling to and from school in the darker evenings.

The children enjoyed their recent visit to the lifeboat station where they found out about how the lifeboats operate as well as learning about water safety. Our thanks go to the crew members who took time out to spend with the children—please check our blog for photos of the day.

As you can see plans are underway for this year's Christmas show—if you can help to prepare props or costumes in the coming weeks please let Laura know.

## Children in Need:

We will be supporting Children in Need again this year which takes place on Friday 17th November. On the day the children are invited to be Spotacular by wearing something spotty! We will also be taking part in a sponsored Ramble—sponsor forms have already been sent home (please ensure that your child has suitable clothing on the day). Nursery will also be selling muffins and popcorn on Thursday morning.



## Christmas Show:

We are very excited to announce that this year's Christmas Show will be the Perfect Present which will take place on 20th December. The play explores the true meaning of Christmas in a new and inventive way. Rehearsals will be starting shortly and we are sure that this will, once again, be a fantastic show!



## A Cookbook for Innerwick:

The Cookbook for Innerwick is currently in the hands of the printers and Fiona and Christine are looking forward to seeing the first proof copy any day now. They are still hoping to start selling them in around two weeks. Many thanks to all involved for putting this together.



## Reminders

- On rainy days please send your children to arrive at school shortly before the bell.
- Please could you use the blue plastic wallets to send in notes or money from home—please try to include the correct amount as we do not keep petty cash within the school.
- Please ensure that your child brings a filled water bottle with them to school every day.
- Please keep an eye on our school blog to find out more about what is happening in school. The children look forward to reading your comments on their posts.
- Parking, when dropping your child off please park responsibly around the school—allowing room for buses and other cars to manoeuvre. Also can we remind everyone that the car park is for staff and deliveries only.
- Children should always have their PE kit in school to enable teachers to include expressive arts in their daily lessons.

## Nursery News

We are delighted to welcome Carson, who joined our ante pre-school group this week, and this now makes twelve nursery children in total.

We are currently learning about Autumn and hibernating animals. We have enjoyed noticing the autumnal changes during our weekly Learning Walks and, last Friday, we collected leaves, sticks, pinecones and 'helicopter' seeds to use in transient art creations. We also heard and saw the noisy geese flying overhead to their winter feeding grounds.

To celebrate Hallowe'en, the children dressed up and had fun dooking for apples, carving a pumpkin lantern, decorating pumpkin biscuits and making scary leaf ghosts. They enjoyed showing off their varied costumes to all the children in the school when they visited the other classrooms.

Our new loose parts shed was erected last week, and already we have been filling it with different loose parts for the children to use independently. Every day, the children continue to develop their ideas further by adding other resources, or changing or adapting what they have done before. Pipes, balls, pegs and wooden blocks are the current favourites! We will continue to add new loose parts resources and purchase storage shelves and boxes for inside the shed over the coming weeks.



## Big Drum Adventure:

We are delighted to be welcoming the big Drum Adventure who will be holding a series of workshops with the P4/5 and P6/7 classes over the coming weeks. These will introduce children to the world of music making, building rhythm and performance skills regardless of their previous experience. These workshops will culminate in a performance on 19th December to which parents will be invited to attend.



## Allergies:

A reminder that the school continues to operate a nut-free policy. In addition we ask that the children do not bring cherries or products containing cherries to school. Thank-you for your understanding in this matter.



## P6/7 Sharing Assembly

P6/7 have been practising hard for their sharing assembly which will take place on Friday 24th November—they hope to welcome their parents/carers along to see what they have been working on.



## Diary Dates

### November:

6th—P1/2/3 Football

13th -P1/2/3 Football

14th—P4-7 Big Drum Adventure

17th—Children in Need

20th—24th Road Safety Week

20th—P1/2/3 Football

21st—Individual and Family Photos

21st—P4-7 Big Drum Adventure

24th—P6/7 Sharing Assembly

27th—1st December Book Fair

27th—P7 Risk Factory

28th—P4-7 big Drum Adventure

### December:

1st—Nursery to Library

4th—P1-7 to Pantomime

5th—P4-7 Big Drum Adventure

12th—P4-7 Big Drum Adventure

19th—P4-7 Big Drum Adventure (Performance).

20th—Christmas Show

21st—P1-7 Christmas Party

22nd—Nursery Party

22nd - Christmas Service

22nd—End of Term

## Book Fair

We will be holding a Scholastic Book Fair between 27th November and 1st December. During this week the children will have an opportunity to visit the fair and purchase books. Keep an eye on their school bags for more information nearer the time.

