



...and just like that it is December and so very close to Christmas! This is always a very busy term in the lead up to Christmas and the Festive Period.

We have enjoyed being able to welcome families, parents and carers back into our school for Sharing the Learning, Parent Consultation and Assemblies etc. We thoroughly look forward to finding other ways to work in partnership with you in the New Year.



We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support over the last year, and to wish you a Safe and Happy Christmas and New Year!

Adverse Weather Guidance

It is the policy of the school to make every effort to remain open whenever possible. The decision to close the school either before or during the school day will be made by the Director of Education, Communities and Economy. If after taking local advice it is decided to close the school, information will be available from [East Lothian Council's](#) website and through local media, including, Forth One radio.

At a school level we try to keep you up to date through:

- School App
- Phone Call
- School Twitter account @Saltoun_PS
- Groupcall

Where the school is officially closed, all absence is registered as authorised absence. If children are prevented from coming to school due adverse weather conditions, there is a range of home learning experiences shared on our school website that learners will be able to engage with.

It is important the school has your most current emergency contact details. Should we experience heavy snowfall and the school remains open we will endeavour to ensure that there is one clear path through the school playground

Pantomime



Last week we all enjoyed our trip to see Sinbad at the Brunton Theatre. We all enjoyed not only the opportunity to see the pantomime, but being able to go out as school for the first time since Covid restrictions were put in place.

A huge THANK YOU to the Parent Council who shared the costs of the Pantomime and transport, meaning we did not have to ask Families, Parents and Carers to contribute to this.

Welcome

A very big welcome to Mrs Adalene Lammie who recently joined our staff. She has already become a valuable member of our team and we look forward to working with her.

Policy

Next term we aim to share with you our revised Behaviour Expectations policy and guidance. A group of our learners will also lead, produce and provide families with a 'child friendly' leaflet explaining the main points of our policy.

Staying Vigilant to Illness

We have had a number of illnesses in school this session including Chicken Pox, Colds and Sickness bugs.

If your child is unwell within school time – we will contact you and if necessary ask you to take them home until they are feeling better.

We respectfully ask that we all follow the guidance published by Lothian NHS as to when your child can return to school. If you are unsure of when your child can return to school, please phone Adalene in the office who will be only too pleased to help!

Christmas Lunch

We are very excited that we will have our Christmas lunch on Thursday 15th December. You should have now received information as to how to order your child's lunch your child's lunch choice and to pay through SchoolPay.

Children in Nursery, P1-P5 and those entitled to Free School Meals do not have to pay for this meal. Alternatively if you do not wish your child to have a Christmas Lunch, you can send a packed lunch with your child instead.



Christmas Parties

This year, Our Nursery Class, P1-3 and P4-7 are aiming to have their parties on the afternoon of Monday 19th December. Children may wish to wear party clothes for this, but ask that wherever possible children come to school already dressed with their party outfits. Please remember to provide your child with a warm coat etc as they are expected to be outside at break and lunch times.



*A huge thank you to **Lennoxlove** for providing funds to buy party food and prizes.*