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OAKFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL
& NURSERY UNIT

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Monday 11 November 2019

AQE assessments

May I take this opportunity to wish all Primary 7 pupils sitting the AQE assessments every success. These assessments are taking place on **Saturday 9, 23 & 30 November 2019**.

Nursery News

The aim of the **Stay and Play** model is to work with children and families to encourage them to **play** and learn together to improve attachments, strengthen bonds and children's overall development.

Stay and Play sessions- 'The Gruffalo's Trail'

Monday 18th, Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th November

1pm-1.45pm

You will have the opportunity to see around the Primary school and hear a little about life in Oakfield Primary School and Nursery Unit. Please plan to join us on one of these days.

Anti-Bullying Week

We will be taking part in Anti-bullying week from 11 - 15 November 2019. As a school we will focus on the national topic '**change starts with us.**' Our school Council have suggested that our children can work together to create a 'Duo Anti-Bullying Poster.'

Oakfield Primary School & Nursery Unit - Open Evening - Wednesday 27 November 2019

Both our Nursery Unit and Primary School will be holding an Open Evening on **Wednesday 27 November 2019** between **6.00pm and 7.30pm**. Please arrange to come along to our Open Evening and bring any friends or neighbours who are thinking about where to send their children in **September 2020**.

Parental 'MINDSET' seminar

You are warmly invited to Oakfield Primary school on **Thursday 28th November from 7pm to 9pm** to participate in a parents 'MINDSET' seminar. This seminar was delivered last year by the Public Health Agency through our Shared Education partnership. Many parents found it beneficial and Oakfield are hosting the evening for anyone who was unable to attend last year.

The purpose of this seminar is to:

1.Raise awareness and increase knowledge and understanding of Mental and Emotional Health and Wellbeing 2. Increase awareness of signs and symptoms of mental ill health 3. Promote self-help/resilience techniques and how to maintain a safe level of positive mental/emotional health and wellbeing 4. Promote self-care 5. Provide information and/or resources on mental health support organisations available locally and regionally. 'Approximately 1 in 4 people in the UK will experience a mental health problem each year.' (www.mind.org.uk) We do hope you avail of this opportunity.

If you have any further questions about the evening please speak to Miss Logan.

Nursery Unit & P1 - P4 Christmas Shows

Our Nursery Unit and P1 - 4 Christmas plays will be held on **Thursday 5 and Friday 6 December 2019**. We are proposing to have Miss Gilmour and Mrs McMaster's P4s, Miss Bill's class and our Nursery Unit performances from **9.20 - 10.15am**, then stop and serve tea & coffee and have Mrs Kirkpatrick's class, Mrs Graham's and Mrs Barrow's class performances from **10.40 - 11.20am**. During the tea & coffee break in the canteen we will be holding a Christmas sale. There will be lots of stocking fillers and gifts ideas, as well as raffle prizes. We look forward to seeing you there and happy shopping.

National Election - Thursday 12 December 2019

Oakfield PS & NU will be closed on **Thursday 12 December 2019** as the school is being used as a polling station for the national election.

KS2 Christmas Carol Service

Please find attached a note from our Vice-Principal, Mrs Moore, concerning the KS2 Carol Service.

G. McCluskey (Principal)

School Information for Parents : Oakfield Designated Teacher for Child Protection - Miss L. Gilmour

Dear KS2 Parent/Guardian,

You have already been informed about our Key Stage 2 Christmas Carol Service at Joymount Presbyterian Church on Sunday 15th December 2019 at 3.00pm.

All of our P5-P7 pupils are expected to attend as they are all taking part in the service. This is always a lovely occasion to reflect on the real meaning of Christmas amidst the busyness of the season. We look forward to seeing you and your family/friends there too.

It is our intention to travel via bus to Joymount Presbyterian Church on Wednesday 11th December 2019 for a full Carol Service rehearsal. We will leave school at 9.15am and will return at approximately 12 noon.

We do need to know exact numbers in order to organise transport for the dress rehearsal and seating arrangements in the church.

If, for any reason, your child is unable to attend this service, please let me know in writing as soon as possible.

Please return the reply slip below to give permission for your child to attend.

Thank you

Mrs Y Moore.

I give permission for my child _____ Class _____ to go to the Carol Service rehearsal on Wednesday 11th December 2019 at Joymount Presbyterian Church and will ensure he/she attends the Carol Service on Sunday 15th December 2019.

Signed: Parent/Guardian