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OAKFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY UNIT

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Monday 12th November 2018

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 10th & 24th November and 1st December 2018.

Nursery News - 'Stay & play' STEM Sessions

Our current Nursery Children and parents are invited for our exclusive 'stay and play' session focusing on STEM-based activities. Mrs Wylie's class on **Monday 12th** and Mrs Baker's/Mrs Keaveney's class on **Tuesday 13th November 2018**. Making maths and science both fun and interesting helps do so much more than just learn. It provides children with a structure in which to build upon their natural inclination to explore, question and construct. Stay and play to have fun learning through play with your child!

Anti-Bullying Week

We will be taking part in Anti-bullying week from 12th – 16th November 2018. As a school we will focus on the national topic of the value of respect. P1-P7 pupils will design an anti-bullying poster for homework on Wednesday 14th November 2018.

Oakfield Primary School & Nursery Unit - Open Evening - Wednesday 14th November 2018 Both our Nursery Unit and Primary School will be holding an Open Evening on **Wednesday 14th November 2018** 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 2019**.

P1 – P4 Christmas Shows

P1 - 4 Christmas plays will be held on **Thursday 6th and Friday 7th December 2018**. We are proposing to have the P3/4 and P4 (Miss Hill & Miss Gilmour's classes) and P2 and P3 (Mrs Kirkpatrick & Mrs Cardwell / Miss Leathem's classes) plays from **9.30** - **10.15am**, then stop and serve tea & coffee and have the P1 and P1/2 (Miss Bill and Mrs Graham's classes) plays from **10.40** - **11.10am**. During the tea & coffee break in the canteen we will be holding a Christmas sale to raise funds for the ongoing development of our Outdoor Learning Area. 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!

P5 - P7 Carol Service

You have already been informed about our Key Stage 2 Christmas Carol Service at Joymount Presbyterian Church on **Sunday 16th December 2018 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 12th December 2018** for a full Carol Service rehearsal. We will leave school at 9.15am and will return at approx 12 noon. We do need to know exact numbers in order to organise transport for the dress rehearsal in the church and seating arrangements etc in the church. If, for any reason, your child is unable to attend this service, please let Mrs Moore know <u>in writing</u> as soon as possible.

Shared Education News

It continues to be a busy period for our Shared Education project with Acorn IPS. Both staff and pupils have been involved with a range of activities and here are some of our recent ventures that take us up to Christmas time. **October 2018**: Mental Health Week; **November 2018**: video-conferencing, P5 team building; P1 buddy visit, School Council planning; **December 2018**: Oakfield & Acorn joint choirs singing at Carrickfergus Manor and Sainsbury's.

K4J Bun Sale in aid of Charlene's Project : www.charlenesproject.org There will be a K4J bun sale on **Thursday 15th & Friday 16th November 2018**. Buns will be 20p each.

G. McCluskey (Principal)

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