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OAKFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

& NURSERY UNIT

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Monday 21 November 2022

Primary 7 AQE assessments

May we take this opportunity to wish all Primary 7 pupils sitting the AQE assessments every success. The three assessments will take place on **19 November, 26 November and 3 December**. Many thanks to our Primary 7 staff and parents for continually supporting their child's preparation for these assessments.

Oakfield Primary School & Nursery Unit - Open Morning – Saturday 3 December 2022

We look forward to welcoming all prospective Nursery Unit and Primary One boys & girls along with their parents on **Saturday 3 December 2022** for our Open Morning between **10am – 12.30pm**. We have placed our Open morning flyer on Facebook – please share this to ensure all prospective families know about this event.

Prospective Nursery Unit pupils and parents are invited to 'Pop in to play' in our Nursery Unit indoor and outdoor learning areas where you will have the opportunity to take part in lots of enjoyable Christmas activities and speak to Nursery Unit staff. Entry is via our Primary School Lower entrance. Don't forget to visit Santa in our school canteen.



Prospective Primary One pupils and parents are invited to view our Foundation stage (P1 & P2) classrooms and our specialist sensory room alongside activities based around our Christmas theme. Entry is via our Primary School Lower entrance. We will also have



lots of indoor and outdoor activities including those in our canteen and assembly hall including the opportunity to meet the big man himself with Mrs Claus! The Principals, George McCluskey & Yana Moore, and Primary School staff will be available to answer any queries you may have. Our school secretary, Margaret Craig, will also be on hand to answer any queries regarding the online application process and school admissions criteria.



Nursery Unit & P1 – P4 Christmas Performances

Our Nursery Unit and P1 – 4 Christmas plays will be held on **Wednesday 7 and Friday 9 December 2022**. The running order will be as follows:

Nursery Unit pupils – 'Christmas Jamboree' @ 9.30am

P1 Miss Bill & P1/2 Miss McIlwaine - 'Humph' @ 10.00am

P2 Mrs Kirkpatrick & P3 Mrs Graham - 'The Bethlehem Bake Off' @ 10.30am

P4 Mrs Barrow & P4 Miss Gilmour – 'Ralph the Reindeer' @ 11.00am

We are delighted to welcome parents back into our school assembly hall to enjoy these performances. In previous years, we would have encouraged parents to stay for the entire morning to watch all the performances. However, for this year we have spaced the performances out into half hour slots to allow parents to move in and out so as they are only attending the performance in which their child is involved. We are inviting 2 guests per child on whichever day suits you or 1 guest per child on each of the two performance dates. Please let your child's teacher know via Seesaw on which day you plan to come along.

****Do not attend if you have Covid symptoms such as a high temperature.****



School Christmas Dinner

Our school Christmas dinner will be served on **Thursday 8 December 2022**. Children are welcome to wear their Christmas jumper or Christmas hat or both, to Christmas dinner!

Menu attached below.

KS2 Carol Service

All P5-P7 pupils have received information about our annual Christmas Carol Service to be held at Joymount Presbyterian Church on **Thursday 15 December 2022 at 7pm**. We look forward to seeing each one of our pupils there for this important school occasion. Please plan to attend with your children.

Nursery & Primary One Applications for 2023

As we consider the future, may we advise you that the application process will be online for children wishing to start at our Nursery Unit or Primary One in September 2023. A parental portal on the Education Authority website of www.eani.org.uk/admissions will be available from **Tuesday 10 January 2023 @ 12 Noon to Friday 27 January 2023 @ 12 Noon**. Please do not hesitate in asking us for assistance if you have any further queries.

Festive Fun

We are planning a few Christmas festive fun events during our last days of Term 1.

Monday 19 December - our School Council have organised a 'Movie & Munch' day where everyone can attend school in their pyjamas for a movie and popcorn event.

Tuesday 20 December 2022 – it's Christmas disco day. All children may come in their party clothes today.

The first disco will be for P1-P4 pupils from 1.00 – 1.50pm. The second disco will be for our P5-P7 pupils from 2.00pm – 2.50pm.

The cost for both of these days is **£3 per child**. A permission slip regarding this has been sent home with each child today. Please return this along with your child's money by **Friday 9 December 2022**. The money collected from these festive fun days will be donated to two charities. Firstly to support our sponsor child called Chala through 'Stand by Me' charity and secondly to help to transport shoeboxes to Eastern Europe through Blythswood Christmas Shoebox Appeal.



Wednesday 21 December 2022 – last day of Term 1. This will be a half day with all our pupils finishing at 12 noon. Again, this will be a non-uniform morning for our pupils.

More Primary News

Shared Education is back in full swing for Acorn and Oakfield pupils. Teachers have been planning exciting shared lessons and pupils have been engaging enthusiastically with their shared learning.

School Council had the opportunity to make a positive impact on their community through a shared litter pick. They also have been widening their musical horizons and have had the privilege of attending the Ulster Orchestra's Primary School Concert, in the Waterfront Hall.

More Nursery News

Nursery had lots of fun at our first stay and play event. Grown ups joined us for our Gruffalo Trail to launch 'The Big Bedtime Read', as we went on a hunt around nursery and the Primary School to find the characters from The Gruffalo story.

We are really looking forward to our next stay and play session, where we will be celebrating 'Happy Healthy Kids', another of the Getting Ready to Learn themes.

We'll be getting active in our outdoor space and enjoying some delicious and healthy treats that the children have made.

G. McCluskey & Y. Moore

School Information for Parents : Oakfield Designated Teachers for Child Protection
Primary School - Miss L. Gilmour Nursery Unit - Mrs K. Wylie

PRIMARY CHRISTMAS DINNER



PRICE: £2.60



ROAST TURKEY, STUFFING, COCKTAIL
SAUSAGES, PEAS,
BATON CARROTS,
MASHED & OVEN BAKED ROAST
POTATOES & TURKEY GRAVY
(SPECIAL DIETS WILL BE CATERED
FOR)

DESSERT OF THE DAY
CARTON OF ORANGE/APPLE JUICE



**MERRY
CHRISTMAS!**