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OAKFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

& NURSERY UNIT

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Monday 5 December 2022

Open Morning Thank-You

May we take this opportunity to thank our visiting parents and children who joined us on **Saturday 3 December 2022** for **Open Morning 2022**. It was wonderful to welcome everyone into our warm and inclusive school environment. Special thanks go to staff and Governors for their efforts in making the event such a success. Any parents with prospective Nursery or Primary 1 children for September 2023 who were unable to join us for Open Morning 2022, are encouraged to contact the school directly to arrange a personal tour.

In Memory of Hannah Morgan

Our whole school community was deeply saddened to hear of the passing of our former pupil, Hannah Morgan. Hannah is remembered with great affection by Oakfield staff and pupils alike. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family and friends at this most difficult time.

Retirement of Mrs Linda McAlister

Mrs Linda McAllister will be retiring at Christmas 2022 after 38 years of dedicated teaching, 36 of which were at Oakfield Primary School and Nursery Unit. Many children of our Oakfield families have had the privilege of receiving Mrs McAllister's teaching expertise. Mrs McAllister's warm and caring personality has been greatly valued among our staff team and she will be sorely missed. We wish her a long and happy retirement.

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! Mr McCluskey will be wearing both!



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**. Please return your child's permission slip along with 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.



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