

Mountnorris Primary School

'Maximising Potential Success'

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Thursday 29th November

Dates/Events in December 2018

Open Day

Our open day will take place on Friday 7th December 2018 at 2pm. Please spread the word around prospective parents and children. There will be a short presentation by Mr Frizzell, a tour of the school and the time will finish with a festive tea. If you would like a spare leaflet, please contact the school.

Rehearsal for Plays

The children will be walking to and from Mountnorris Presbyterian hall from next week (beginning Monday 3rd December) to rehearse for their plays.

Christmas Plays

Our Christmas plays will take place on Wednesday 12^{th} December at 7pm in Mountnorris Presbyterian Church Halls. As in previous years, the suggested voluntary donation is £5 per adult and £2 for children over 12. There will be a DVD recording of the event and orders for this, along with money, will be taken on the night. The cost is £5 per copy and this money will be collected by our Parent Support Group.

We are delighted that Mr Ramirez, a parent of children in our school has offered to take professional photos, free of charge, of the children and the event. These photos will be used solely for, and by the school. The school will use these photos for our app, website and other promotional literature. If you have any queries regarding this, please speak with Mr Frizzell.

The evening will consist of 2 short plays; a nativity by P1-3 and an extract of 'Annie' by P4-7. We would ask that you kindly stay for both performances as both groups of children have put an immense amount of work into creating these productions. Children from P1-3 will be looked after in another room by staff after their performance. This is to minimise disruption during the performance of 'Annie.' Both plays will last approximately 25 minutes each and we hope that the whole event will be finished by around 8:15pm.

Please note that children will go home on **Wednesday 12th December at 1pm** to allow staff an opportunity to prepare for the evening performance. **There will be a bus** to bring children home at this time.

Christmas Dinner

Our school Christmas Dinner will take place on Thursday 13^{th} December. The dinner will be a traditional Christmas dinner with pudding and will be £2.60 per child or free for children who are entitled to Free School Meals. It would be great to see all children taking dinner this day. As

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always, the hall will be given a Christmas makeover for the event. Children must wear school uniform but they can bring a Christmas jumper or hair piece if desired.

After School Clubs

Clubs will finish for Christmas on Thursday 13th December. There will be no clubs during the last week of term.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club will continue as normal with the final day being the last day of term, Friday 21st December.

Santa Fun Run

Instead of doing a Fun Day we have decided to have a Santa Fun Run in school on Wednesday 19th December. Children will be put into a reindeer team and will complete laps of the school, while playing games at various stations outside. The cost of the Fun Run will be £5 per child and this will get them a Santa hat to keep, wristband and hot chocolate and treats after. Money will go towards supporting Diego, our sponsored child and school fund. Permission slips will go out closer to the time.

Christmas Fun Lunch

Following our Santa Fun Run, the canteen will be putting on a special Festive Lunch. The hall will be decorated and there will be a special menu and treats. The cost will be £2.60 per child or free for children entitled to Free School Meals. We would encourage as many as possible to participate.

Homework

Homework will finish on Friday 7^{th} December 2018 to allow staff to focus on rehearsals during the following week.

Last Day of Term

The last day of term will be Friday 21st December 2018. School will finish at 12noon. **There will be no bus** to bring children home at this time. Anyone entitled to a Free School Meal can request a packed lunch from the office on or before Wednesday 19th December. Santa will visit P1-3 in school on the final day of term.

Term 2

Term 2 begins on Monday 7^{th} January 2018. Breakfast club will also commence on this date. After School Clubs will begin on Monday 14^{th} January.

Enrolment for P1 in September 2019

Enrolment will be completed online this year through the EA website. If your child is starting preschool or primary school in September 2019, you can apply for their place online from **Wednesday 2nd January 2019.** The closing date and time for pre-school and primary one applications will be **12.00 midnight on Thursday 31st January 2019.**

Christmas Post Box

The Christmas Post Box will be operational throughout December. Pupils may use the post box to send cards to their friends within the school. Please ensure that the full name and class are clearly written on the envelope.

