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Cluny's October Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are excited to be starting term two. Individual class newsletters will be issued at the end of next week. It is always a busy term but there is so much fun to be had. I am unsure if the cleaning staff agree with this! We will be careful with the paint and glitter as we prepare for Christmas.

With weather turning a little colder, please ensure that pupils are dressed for the weather.

Dress As You Please Day

Pupils are invited to dress as they please on Tuesday 31st October. With this being Halloween, pupils can wear their Halloween costumes if they wish. Please be mindful of younger pupils. Children will be asked to remove anything deemed too scary or inappropriate. We will also be going to watch a pantomime in the Fisherman's Hall that afternoon too. The pantomime starts at 1.30pm, therefore **lunch break will be at 12.25-1.15pm on Tuesday 31st October.**

This 'Dress as You Please Day' is in support of Friends of Cluny's fundraising efforts. Pupils are asked to donate chocolate or a bottle or a raffle prize. All of these prizes can then be won at the Festive Coffee Morning on 2nd December.

Glow in the Dark Disco

Friends of Cluny have organised a Glow in the Dark Disco with Paul T on Thursday 2nd November. The P1-3 disco is from 4-5.30pm and the P4-7 disco is from 6-7.30pm. There will be a tuck shop available so pupils can take some money if they wish to buy refreshments.

Christmas Jumpers

Like last year, we are operating a Christmas Jumper Swap Shop. Please donate any Christmas jumpers, dresses or tops that you no longer need. Anyone is welcome to pick these up at the entrance of the school towards the end of November/beginning of December. This not only reduces costs at this time of year but it is also better for our planet!

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Primary 7 Fundraising

Thank you to those who took part in the School Calendar. The photos looked fantastic. Order forms have gone out if you wish to make a purchase.

Four P7 girls have organised a Halloween Treasure Hunt to raise funds for their end of term activities. This will take place from 5.30pm to 8.30pm on Friday 27th October at Mr Schofield's garden, 84 Seatown, Buckie. There is a £1.00 entry fee but all donations are welcome. Cupcakes and sweeties will be provided.

Parentzone Scotland

Parentzone Scotland is a unique website for parents and carers in Scotland, from early years to beyond school. The website provides up-to-date information about learning in Scotland, and practical advice and ideas to support children's learning at home in literacy, numeracy, health and wellbeing and science. Information is also available on Parentzone Scotland regarding additional support needs, how parents can get involved in their child's school and education.

Parentzone Scotland also has details about schools, including performance data for school leavers from S4-S6 and links to the national, local authority and school level data on the achievement of Curriculum for Excellence levels.

Numeracy/mathematics

The Scottish Government have online resources available to support parents with numeracy and mathematics methods and approaches. These resources are available for early to fourth level and are free and accessible without the need to create an account. Information can be found online at <https://education.gov.scot/parentzone/learning-at-home/supporting-numeracy/introduction-to-supporting-numeracy/>

Parental Engagement RSHP learning/the Chat

A coalition of NHS Boards have commissioned TASC to explore with parents and carers a number of themes in relation to learning about relationships, sexual health and parenthood, what nursery or school would call RSHP education.

The work will explore how parents and carers support their child's learning at home in terms of RSHP topics, what they know and think about the RSHP learning going on at school, how they want home and school to work together (so that children and young people get the best learning experiences). Finally, they will also identify what would help parents and carers at home in their role as their child's most important educator on all these matters.

The project is called the Chat and there are a number of ways that parents/carers can get involved. The first opportunity is to be part of a group conversation about this area of learning. This will be followed by a national survey. The process and a description of how parent/carer groups can get involved is here www.thechat.scot.

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Head Lice and Nits

Head lice and nits are very common in young children and their families. They do not have anything to do with dirty hair and are picked up by head-to-head contact. To help reduce the spread of this, we urge you to practise wet or dry combing regularly to catch them early and treat accordingly. More information can be found on the NHS website.

Dates for your Diary

- 31st October – Dress As You Please Day
- 31st October – M&M Productions Pantomime (earlier lunch time on this day)
- 2nd November – Glow in the Dark Disco
- 11th November – Poppy Appeal, silence to take place in school on 13th November
- 13th & 14th November - in-service days (school closed to pupils)
- 17th November – Children in Need
- 20th December – Christmas Carol Concert (more details to follow)
- 21st December – Festive Fun Day
- 22nd December – Last day of term 2
- 8th January – First day of term 3

Other School News

- Article of the month – Article (Right Number) 42: Everyone should know about the UNCRC.
- Maths website of the month - <https://www.coolmathgames.com/>. Please explore this with your child and enjoy some fun home learning.
- Our lost property pile is ever growing. A huge thank you to our Friends of Cluny helpers during the informal parents' evening for taking photos of each item. Check the Friends of Cluny Facebook page for these photos and to reclaim lost items. **Please label your child's clothes and belongings to allow us to return items quicker.**

As always, if there is anything you wish to discuss further, please call or email.

Kindest regards,



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