

October 2010

Dear Parents

It is hard to believe that half the term has gone already. This term is flying past very quickly indeed.

School Uniform and Dress Code

During the winter months, the boys are allowed to wear long grey trousers to school. With the weather turning colder, all the children are allowed to wear a warm, heavy jacket over their blazers and scarves should be the official school scarf. Please make sure your child wears appropriate outer garments to school during the winter months as the children will be out to play at breaktimes whenever it is dry. Parents are also reminded that trousers and shorts should be school regulation and have no combat style side pockets and that boys' hair should be no longer than collar length.

Water

Children continue to be encouraged to drink water in class and therefore, bring water to school in a named water bottle. We request that fruit juices should only be for snacks and not for general classroom consumption. Fizzy drinks are not permitted.

Vouchers

The school is collecting vouchers from Nestle Box Tops and Morrisons "Let's Grow" again. Please keep sending in any vouchers you earn – they are gratefully received and put to good use.

Hallowe'en

On Friday 29th October we intend having a Hallowe'en theme day with lots of different educational and fun activities. Children should come dressed in a Hallowe'en costume that day to enter fully into the 'spirit' of things.

Junk

Please send any cardboard boxes or packaging to school for junk modeling, technology and art and crafts. In the interests of hygiene, we request that toilet roll inner tubes should not be sent.

Junior 3

Junior 3 have been learning about the Rainforest this term and have decided that they wish to adopt an orangutan. In order to raise money for this, they will be holding a sponsored 2k run round the school on Friday 5th November.

General Consent Form

A general consent form for the children to go outside school into the local area will be sent home in the children's homework folder. This will be for walking to Broom Church, going on Autumn walks, visiting the local loch, etc. Please complete the form and return to school after the October holiday.

Jingle Belmont

As a reminder, **Jingle Belmont**, the PTA Christmas Fair, will take place on the evening of *Thursday 25th November* in the School Hall. We hope to see many of you there at this very vibrant and enjoyable evening.

Junior School News

We would like to share this additional news from the Junior School staff this term. Mrs. Sarah Grindlay gave birth to a baby boy, Cameron, on Tuesday 24th August. Mrs. Alison Rush gave birth to a baby boy, Jackson David, on Saturday 25th September. Both mums and babies are doing well and we wish them good health and fortune for the future. For those parents who remember Miss Hume who returned to Canada two years ago, we are delighted to share with you that she is being married on Sunday 10th October and will become Mrs. MacKinnon.

Additional dates for your diary which are not on the school fixture card :

Thursday 9 th December	Junior Drama Club show, "Creepie Crawlle Christmas"
Friday 10 th December AM	J4 – J6 Pantomime, Citizen's Theatre "Beauty and the Beast"
Wednesday 15 th December	Nursery, J1, 2 & 3 Christmas Party

Thank you for your continued support. I hope you have a restful October holiday and we look forward to seeing the children on Tuesday 19th October.

L. McDonald
Head of Junior School