

Cairney School aspires to be a happy, safe and inclusive learning community where everyone is treated fairly and with respect and encouraged to be the best they can be. Through high-quality, enjoyable, learning experiences, we strive to inspire and challenge our learners to achieve their fullest potential. In our school, learning is an active, exciting, positive experience. We work in partnership with parents, carers and the wider community to enable our children to become

- **Successful Learners, Confident Individuals, Responsible Citizens and Effective Contributors.**



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Dear Parents/Carers,

Christmas outing

As a Christmas outing, we are going to see the film 'Paddington Bear 2' in Elgin with Glass Primary School on 19th December. This will be in the morning and we will be back in time for lunch in school. More details to follow.

The Christmas Show

Christmas show rehearsals for 'Jack and the Beanstalk' are in full swing and the children are working really hard. Thank you to the after school club ran by Raonaid Mackrory and Tim Bowden who are working on the backdrops and scenery. We plan to have a raffle and a Christmas hamper on the night of the show; any donations for either of these would be gratefully received! Proceeds from the show and the evening will be split equally for school funds (to cover the cost of costumes, props etc. and the cost of the license to perform the show) and a charity chosen by the children. Mrs. Cruickshank has kindly offered to serve tea/coffee at the end of the show.

The show is on **Wednesday 13th December at 7.00pm**. The children need to be back at school for about **6.30pm**

Improved reporting to parents: The Christmas Show

As we near the performance of the show, we would like to highlight the Drama skills that the children have been developing during this term.

These can be summarized as follows:

Early Level (P1)

I can use my voice to express emotions and portray different characters.

I can use props and costumes to enhance a performance or character.

I can use scripted language appropriate to the role or character.

First and Second Level (P2 - 7)

I can learn a script and work with others to rehearse and present drama to an audience

I can use voice and movement to create and enhance different characters and remain in character throughout the play.

I can sustain a character role and react and respond to the other performers and the audience.

I have an awareness of the impact an audience can have on a performance

Music skills developed include:

I can sing songs with good control over pitch and volume and with expression and clear diction

I can sing melodies with accuracy.

Rehearsals!





Cairnie, Glass Community Trust Logo Competition

Last term the children were invited to design a logo. Findlay (P6) won first prize and Izzy (P1) won second prize. Everyone did really well and they all received a £5 gift voucher. These were presented last week by Mr Murdoch on behalf of the Trust. Well done to all!!



School Christmas Lunch

School Christmas Lunch is on Wednesday 13th December.

STEM Day at Forge School

As you know, we are off to spend the day at Forge School on Thursday 7th December. The children require a packed lunch that day – most children have already ordered one from school. Thank you to those of you have signed up for one of the workshops. These are going to be great fun with some ‘hands on’ challenges for each family to take part in and a great opportunity for everyone to understand more about STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) and how important these subjects are in the world of work and the wider world generally. If you are coming for the evening workshop, please remember to bring the children too!

Christmas party

The Christmas party is in the afternoon of Thursday 21st December. Santa will be visiting us at about 2.30pm and the Cairney Critters group will be joining us when Santa comes. The children can either come dressed for the party in the morning or get changed at lunchtime.

Dates for your diary

- Thursday 7th December: STEM day at Forge School
- Tuesday 12th December: Dress rehearsal for Christmas Show
- Wednesday 13th December: Christmas Lunch and Christmas Show - Jack and the Beanstalk (7.00pm)
- Tuesday 19th December: Cinema trip to Elgin with Glass Primary School (details to follow)
- Thursday 21st December: Christmas Party.
- Friday 22nd December: School closes for Christmas at 3.15pm
- Monday 8th January: School opens for Term 3

Yours faithfully,

Dr. Kim C Aplin
Head Teacher



Setting our camera trap with Stephen from NTS



Our digital leaders leading the learning – training pupils from Forge School

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Parent comments and Ideas

Please share your child/children's out of school achievements

Name:

Signed: