

Newsletter Kellands School

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Don't let the past steal your present. This is the message of Christmas: We are never alone.

Taylor Caldwell

Christmas is doing a little something extra for someone.

Charles M. Schulz



Lights, Camel, Action



Huge congratulations to all the team involved in this year's nativity, Lights, Camel Action. It was an ambitious project combining the nativity story with Strictly Come Dancing. With our ever increasing numbers of children the planning and logistics become harder each year. Everyone did a truly amazing job and produced an utterly fabulous show which I hope you all enjoyed. The children were brilliant and looked so wonderful in their costumes and their singing and dancing was of strictly standard. I can't say enough about the dedication and creativity of all the staff involved, and would like to thank them all wholeheartedly. You can't do anything without an audience, so a huge thank you to parents, grandparents and friends who came along and created such a wonderful atmosphere. Special mention to Miss Grant for doing such an amazing job with the backdrop, Mrs Brand for playing the piano so beautifully, Miss Murray for helping with the songs, Miss Harrigan and Mrs Barr for coordinating the show and to all the parents who helped with the costumes. It was truly a team effort and hopefully portrays our Kellands family ethos. Roll on next year....eh ladies?

Although the nativity is a lot of fun and rehearsals take a lot of time it is also showcasing the children's learning from across the curriculum. The links to the curriculum are shown below.

Expressive Arts

I have experienced the energy and excitement of presenting/performing for audiences.

Health and Well Being

I make full use of and value the opportunities I am given to improve and manage my learning and, in turn, I can help to encourage learning and confidence in others.

Representing my class encourages my self-worth and confidence and allows me to contribute to and participate in society.

Through taking part in a variety of events and activities, I am learning to recognise my own skills and abilities as well as those of others

Literacy and English

I can communicate clearly when engaging with others within and beyond my place of learning, using selected resources as required.

If anyone would like a 'keepsake' programme from the show please contact the office.



Kellands School Performers

Kellands' girls in Inverurie Panto 'Puss in Boots' this year; Holly MacKintosh, Alex Kelman, Colette Serrell and Tara Ingram. Nina Fraser was also in cast but in the other production.



Chance to Win a Christmas Eve Box

A huge thanks to the grandparent of a Nursery pupil who made and donated 2 Christmas Eve Boxes. To be in with a chance of winning please pop in past Nursery at Nursery drop off and pick up times before the end of the School/Nursery day on Tuesday to purchase your Lucky Square. £2 per square. Thank you.

Thank you!



A huge thank you to everyone who has helped throughout the year, in all aspects of the school. You know who you are and there are too many to mention. Without you most things we do in school would not be possible. You are invaluable to us and we are so grateful to you for the time you have committed to the school and the children. We hope you all have a fantastic Christmas and a well-deserved break.

Kellands School
'Where everybody is somebody'

Active Schools

The Active Schools Programme for Term 3 16/17 is now open for online registration. We have some new activities running as part of the existing Cluster Clubs programme:

- Tennis Coaching for P6-S2 - Limited Spaces Available
- Yoga sessions for P1-P4 and P5-P7
- Table Tennis Coaching for P5-S2
- Cricket sessions for P5-S2 (starting in February 2017).

There are also limited spaces available on our Hockey sessions, Basketball sessions, Skipping sessions and Hip Hop Sessions.

If you've registered for an activity in Term 1/Term 2, you won't need to re-register your child to attend the same activity in term 3, however please let me know if there have been any changes to medical/personal information. If your child no longer wishes to attend please let me know so I can offer a place to a child on the waiting list.

To find out more about the term 3 programme and to register your child to attend any activities, click on the link below and follow the instructions to register.

<http://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/request/active-schools/active-schools-online-form-inverurie/>

Please feel free to share this with others. If you have any queries about any of the activities please email ActiveSchoolsCentral@aberdeenshire.gov.uk