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Our values:
Achieving, Included, Respectful

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Please see below for our latest news items.

Sacraments

Please see our diary dates section for the dates on which Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation will take place. All services will take place in the church and children will prepare for these sacraments in school. They will also bring a workbook home to share with you.

Bus Passengers

If your children travels to school by bus please ensure they carry their bus pass with them every day. Thank you.

Rotary Club Competitions

The Rotary Club are once again encouraging children to enter their photography competition. The theme of the competition is 'The Beauty of Architecture.' In a change to previous years, entries must now be submitted online.

This year, the Rotary Club is introducing a Young Writer competition. Children are asked to produce a story or poem entitled 'Peace.'

Both competitions are open to anyone who is seven years or older and the closing date is 9th December 2022. Entry forms can be collected from the office.

Christmas Fair

The Christmas Fair this year will take place on Thursday 1st December. More details will follow from our Parent Council.

Playground Supervision

A reminder that there is no supervision in the playground until 8.30am. Please do not send your child into school before then as there is nobody there to ensure that they are safe. Thank you.

Forest Schools

The Parent Council have kindly agreed to pay for Forest Schools for each class again this year. Rather than two short sessions, each class will participate in a longer session next June. Details will follow nearer the time.

School Lunches

Before ordering school lunches please could you check with your child whether they like what you have ordered? We are keen to encourage children to eat school lunches however there is quite a lot of waste each day from food that is not eaten. The menu will soon change to the one offered in winter. If you have ordered a school lunch but then send your child with a packed lunch please remember to cancel any lunch not required. Even if you do not pay for lunches Scottish Borders Council has to pay for all lunches ordered even if they are not taken, thank you for your cooperation with this.

Xpressions

A reminder that Xpressions is an app which allows you to contact us in school and also alerts you when we send an email. Please sign up if you think this will be helpful. It can be downloaded via the normal app stores.

Dogs in the playground

A reminder that Scottish Borders Council does not allow dogs in playgrounds. If you are bringing your dog to school please arrange to meet your child outside the playground, thank you.

Dates for the Diary

This section will be updated on our newsletters throughout the year.

Date	Event
Thursday 6 th Oct.	Flu vaccines Last Day of term
Monday 17 th Oct.	In-service day – school open for staff only.
Tuesday 18 th Oct.	First day back for children.
Friday 28 th Oct.	Halloween party during the school day.
Tues 1 Nov	P1 growth reviews – NHS questionnaire will be sent home shortly
Thursday 24 th Nov.	Parental Consultations – after school and evening appointments available. More details to follow nearer the time.
Monday 28 th Nov.	St Andrew's Day holiday – school closed.
Thursday 15 th Dec.	Christmas concert: 6.30pm. More details to follow.
Friday 16 th Dec.	Possible second Christmas concert.
Wednesday 21 st Dec.	Christmas parties – in the afternoon.
Thursday 22 nd Dec.	Last day of term.
Monday 9 th Jan.	First day back for staff and children.
Friday 10 th Feb.	Last day of term.
Tuesday 21 st Feb.	First day back for staff and children.
Wednesday 22 nd February	Thinking Day / Founder's Day – uniforms can be worn
Thurs. 16 th March	Parental Consultations

Wednesday 22 nd March	Reconciliation for P3 children in St Joseph's Church at 6pm.
Friday 31 st March	Last day of term
Monday 17 th April	First day back for staff and children.
Monday 1 st May	May Day holiday – school closed.
Tuesday 2 nd May	In-Service day – school open for staff only.
Sunday 21 st May	First Holy Communion in St Joseph's Church for P4 at 9.30am
Thursday 25 th May	Sports Day
Thursday 1 st June	Reserve Sports Day if the weather is wet.
Saturday 3 rd June	Confirmation in St Joseph's Church for P7 at 3pm.
12 th and 13 th June	Forest Schools – class dates to follow.
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Wednesday 28 th June	P7 Leavers' Assembly.
Thursday 29 th June	Last day of term.

Yours sincerely

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