

## December Newsletter

Dear Parents / Carers

With the first snow flurries and drop in temperature I think it's safe to say that winter is here! We have a very busy few weeks before breaking for our Christmas holidays.

### Christmas Lights

Our GLEE club did a super job when representing us at the turning on of the Christmas lights! Their commitment to this event and their enthusiasm on the day was evident and very much appreciated. Thank you to everyone who came to show your support.

### PATPALS

Thank you to those parents/carers who could make it along to our PATPALS session last Thursday, it was great to have so many of you in the building. I know how challenging it can be to get to these sessions with work/family commitments etc, so don't worry if you couldn't make it along, we have lots of other events happening this year for you to attend!

### Winter Weather

As mentioned previously we hope to have the children outdoors as much as possible over the winter months. Please ensure that where possible children have a warm coat and a pair of gym/indoor shoes to change into. You may wish to put a spare pair of socks/tights in your child's bag should they need to change.

### Attendance/Lateness Matters

I would like to take this opportunity to thank those parents/carers who have made every effort in making our attendance process more manageable for all involved. However we still have a high amount of children arriving late in school which impacts the learning in our classrooms and our office staff. We do have a few children who have an agreement with school regarding arriving in school slightly later due to individual circumstances, but if you are not one of the parents who has an agreement, the expectation is that your child should be in school on time.

### Activities

We have a lot of activities happening between now and our Christmas holidays. The P1 & P2 nativity is sounding amazing, and our P6 pupils and staff are beginning to dedicate a lot of time to their Christmas service.

We welcome Dunedin Consort into school next week to listen to them perform to our whole school. The pupils in Primary 4 have been working with Dunedin Consort and have been learning about different musical instruments.

Kind Regards  
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Head Teacher