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Carstairs Junction Primary School
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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our October Newsletter. I can't believe we are into November next week!

Halloween Parties Please remember your child is to come to school dressed in their Halloween costumes on Thursday. They will go out to play at break and lunch as normal so please make sure they have warm clothes and/or jackets. Also a wee reminder that we are asking for £1 to cover the cost of the snacks. Your child will be given a packet of crisps, diluting juice or water and a small packets of jelly sweets. Thank you.

Participatory Budget Thank you to the pupils, staff and parents/carers who voted for hoe you would like the £1531.25 (5%) of our Pupil Equity Funding (PEF) to be spent. The most popular choice was for school trips. We look forward to putting this money to good use to the benefit of our child, whilst reducing the cost of the school day.

Get Together Some of our senior pupils have been taking on 'work experience' roles this week, in the ELC, with the janitor, in the school office or developing backing and ICT skills. They have been a delight, showing a caring and responsible attitude.

Relationships & Positive Behaviour We look forward to celebrating with our nominated pupils for 'Tea with SLT' for September, which will take place on Friday next week. You will be contacted directly by the school office if your child has been nominated. It is great to see so many children being recognised for their positive behaviour, good manners and/or for working really hard.

Lockerbie Manor Residential Our pupils are heading back today from the residential and I hope you enjoy hearing their stories over the weekend. We will share more of the photos in due course. We are so proud of each and every one of them as they have all pushed themselves, staying away from home and participating in activities which may be out with their comfort zone.

Themed Lunch On Tuesday 5th November we are taking part in a Bonfire themed lunch to coincide with Bonfire Night. The menu choices are:

Firecracker Pizza & Fries (v)

(Pizza with spicy topping served with chips or potato croquettes and sweetcorn)

Banger & Fries

(Sausage in a finger roll served with chips or potato croquettes and sweetcorn)

Sandwich Selection

Cheese or Tuna Sandwich or Ham Finger roll

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Toffee Apple Sponge

Diary Dates Forthcoming events and important dates will be shared via Parents Portal, monthly newsletters and the school website. Our diary dates for this term so far as listed at the end of the newsletter. Dates added in each month are noted in bold.

Parents as Partners

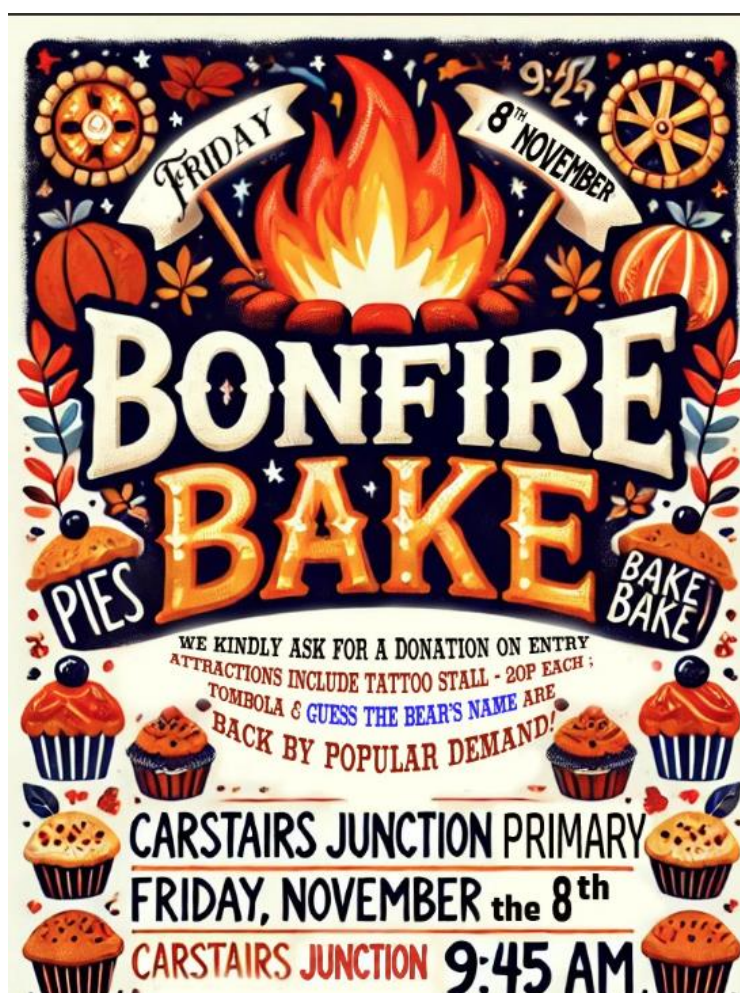
Parent Council

We warmly welcome friends and families of Carstairs Junction Primary & ELC to our Bonfire Bake on Friday 8th November from 9.45am – 11.00am. Please see our lovely flyer! This event raises funds for the school & ELC which benefit all the pupils. Please spread the word! If you are new to the school, the Bonfire Bake has a lovely community spirit and gives you the opportunity to come to school to have a coffee and cake (or cakes!) with your child. We kindly ask that you bring change if possible, for some of our smaller stalls, as even with a 'float' we can still run out of change. We look forward to seeing you there.

The next Parent Council meeting is on **Thursday 21st November at 9am** in the school gym hall.

If you would like to attend please can you send a short message to the Parent Council email address: carstairsjunctionpc@outlook.com

Our Chair, Mrs Margaret Turner or Secretary, Mrs Rebecca Muir will be delighted to hear from you.



Community News

Diary Dates:

29 th October	Small Schools Football Festival (selected pupils)
31st October	Halloween Parties in school
7th November	P6 RHET visit (to Lanark Farmers' market) – more information to follow
8th November	Bonfire Bake at 9.45am
11th November	INSET – school closed to pupils
21st November	Parent Council, 9am
9th December	Christmas Lunch (more info to follow)
10th December	School Nativity, 1.30pm (more info to follow)
11th December	School Nativity, 1.30pm (more info to follow)
12th December	Christmas Raffle (more info to follow)
13th December	Panto visit, Lanark Memorial Hall, 10am (more info to follow)
16th December	Room 4 & 5 Christmas Party
17th December	Room 3 & 6 Christmas Party
18th December	Room 1&2 Christmas Party
19th December	Christmas Service (for staff & pupils)

Please note these dates may be subject to change.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact the school office and you will be directed to an appropriate member of staff.

Kindest regards,



Jill Armour
Head Teacher