



20<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

## CHRISTMAS IN JORDANHILL PRIMARY CONFIDENT INDIVIDUALS -YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS

December arrived and brought with it a flurry of festive activities, where our much-loved, long-standing traditions and Christmas activities began.

These traditions were launched with the annual **PTA Christmas Fayre**. This year, pupils in Primary 6-7 enjoyed leading the stalls selling a range of primary crafts, tea towels, raffle tickets and Christmas stamps, all focused on raising funds for the Primary Playground Project. The upper Primary pupils certainly displayed a gift for persuasive sales pitches, as well as entrepreneurial flair and enthusiasm which was evident throughout the morning!



## LEADING LEARNING – ENTERPRISING PRIMARY 4AB

Working in enterprise teams, the children in Primary 4A and Primary 4B led and organised a very special event, inviting their parents, Primary children and staff to the **Jordanhill Christmas Extravaganza**.

The enterprise teams took full ownership of the planning, organising and leadership of the event, offering something for everyone to enjoy. They conducted research, wrote purposeful letters, budgeted their plans, handled money and worked out change, as well as used their digital skills effectively.

**The Primary 4 children raised an impressive £720.89 for the Playground Project!**

## PARTNERSHIP WITH THE ROYAL CONSERVATOIRE OF SCOTLAND

Recently, six classes enjoyed a music percussion experience with community education students from the Royal Conservatoire. This is a longstanding partnership we have established, and the children thoroughly enjoyed the sessions!



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## ACHIEVEMENTS- ROAD SAFETY COMPETITION SUCCESS!



During Road Safety Week last month, our two Junior Road Safety Officers, Kirsty McLean and Tristan Malek promoted Glasgow City Council's annual **Road Safety Calendar Competition**. Children were invited to submit a poster design to promote an aspect of road safety from a range of themes.

We were thrilled to receive the exciting news that out of a massive 5000 entries from pupils across the city, one of our **P6 pupils, Romy Sweeny's** entry was selected by the judges as the outright winner! Romy's design is featured in the 2024 calendar, a copy of which is issued to every educational establishment in Glasgow.

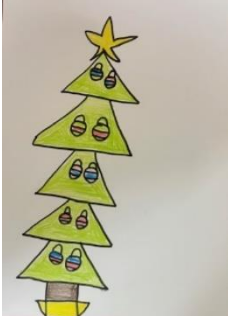



Romy was presented with her reward of an amazing bicycle, helmet and hi-vis jacket at a Special Assembly attended by her parents and representatives from Glasgow City Council. We were all very proud of Romy's achievement and success!






## JORDANHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL -ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION

Staying with the art and design theme, last Friday we held our annual Christmas card Assembly and the following children's designs were selected by our judge, Mrs Fleming. She was very impressed with the quality of ideas and entries from across the school. Art & Design is very popular amongst our artistic children!

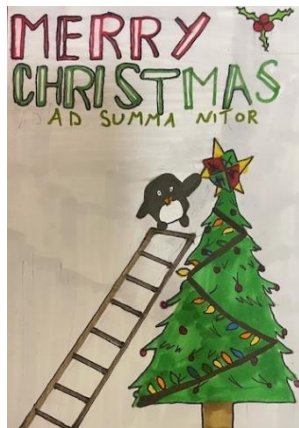
The stage winners are listed below and congratulations to the overall winner, **Ava Berry in P7B**. Ava's appealing penguin scaling up a shaky ladder to place a Jordanhill-badged star at the top of a Christmas tree captured the judge's delight! Ava's card has been sent out to the school's partners and friends.

<b>Primary 1</b>	<b>Primary 2</b>	<b>Primary 3</b>	<b>Primary 4</b>
<b>Lucy Timm</b> P1A	<b>Ailsa O'Reilly</b> P2B	<b>Aaron Sprott</b> P3A	<b>Harris Whittaker</b> P4A
			

<b>Primary 5</b>	<b>Primary 6</b>	<b>Primary 7</b>
<b>Florence Duthie</b> P5B	<b>Caitlin Jiang</b> P6A	<b>Simon Fraser</b> P7B
		

**OVERALL WINNER OF THE CHRISTMAS CARD - DECEMBER 2023**

**Ava Berry, Primary 7B**



### WOODEND TENNIS SUCCESS

The Orange Ball 9 and under team for Woodend Tennis Club earned the top position of the **Silver League** in summer 2023. This was after some tough matches and having to play a shoot-out in both the semi-final and final playoffs. As a result, they were invited to attend the **Tennis West of Scotland Awards** ceremony in November and received a Pennant for the club and a trophy each.



The team is captained by Mrs Carol Yuill, and she reports that they continue to work hard and finished their last match on Saturday 8th December, playing in the **Gold League** against some very challenging teams.

Throughout their matches she was delighted that the children demonstrated the school value of **Perseverance**.

Well done to **Anna McDonald P6, Stanley West P6, Matt Carty P5, Murray Munro P5 and Florence Duthie P5**.

### BLUE PETER BADGE SUCCESS

Well done to the following Jordanhill Primary children which have earned the much-coveted Blue Peter badge for completing a review of a book they enjoyed online.

**Iris Martin P7B, Andrew Strachan P6A, Blythe Martin P3A and Iona McConville P1B**.



### CONFIDENT INDIVIDUALS – PANTOMIME PERFORMANCES



Well done to the following three Primary 7 pupils who have all been involved in a Christmas pantomime performance this month.

- **Kaitlyn Allan** is performing in Treasure Island at the Pavilion Theatre, Glasgow.
- **Alicia Idessane** has performed in Scottish Opera's production of Hansel & Gretel in Paisley.
- **Florence Taylor** performed in Jack and the Beanstalk at Knightswood Community Centre.

### BBC 500-WORDS COMPETITION-FIRST ROUND SUCCESS

Mrs Benjamin and Miss Hargreaves ran a popular lunchtime club for P3 and P4 children. They received the thrilling news last week that eight children's creative writing for the competition have made it through to the next stage. BBC received many thousands of entries and only around 5,000 go through to the second round of judging by the Reading Agency. We are very proud indeed of the children's achievements!

Primary 3				Primary 4			
<b>Marcus Soon</b>	<b>Calum Hastie</b>	<b>Oliver Lyon</b>	<b>Maeve Winter</b>	<b>Myles Henderson</b>	<b>Eilidh Maxwell</b>	<b>Anna Di Mascio</b>	<b>Aubree Gillespie</b>
The Plan	The Magic Pokeball	Freeze Time	Lost but Found	Tennis stars	Holly and Smashes Adventure	The Adventure	A Topsy Turvie Day

I learned this week that Iris Martin in P7B has also been selected to go through to the next round with her story entitled, The Oak.

### FOND FAREWELL

As you are aware, Mrs McCall will be going on maternity leave at the end of this week. We wish her well and look forward to hearing some exciting news soon!

### STAGGERED DISMISSAL - FRIDAY 22 DECEMBER

School finishes **at 12 noon on Friday** for the Christmas holidays. Staff will bring their classes to the Chamberlain Road playground. Children will remain with their teacher until they are collected by parents or the after-school care staff. Please ensure that older pupils are clear about the arrangements for going home.

In order that our children leave school in a safe, calm and orderly way at the end of term, we always stagger the dismissal as set out below-

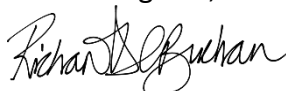
- 11.50am P1-P2 classes
- 11.55am P3-P4 classes
- 12.00 noon P5-P7 classes

After a long, lively and bustling term, the staff and children need the holidays to relax and recharge. I wish you all a calm and peaceful time over the festive break.

I look forward to welcoming the children back to school on **Monday 8 January** for a New Year and a new school term.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kindest regards,



Richard Buchan  
Head Teacher of Primary.

