

Scoil yn Jubilee Newsletter

This half term's value focus will be HONESTY. Please take some time at home to talk about and model HONESTY. We recognise that telling the truth is an important value, even when it is hard to do. Be open about your mistakes. When you make a mistake at home, tell your child about it. When honesty is embraced, so is open, clear communication. Children who grow up in an honest environment learn to express themselves truthfully and to listen to others with respect and understanding. This helps them build the foundation for healthy relationships for the rest of their lives.

Happy New Year from all at SyJ

Happy New Year. We have all returned to school refreshed, reinvigorated and ready to enjoy the learning challenges of 2025. The children have settled back into school and there has been lots of super learning activities taking place in each of our classes. New themes are being explored with great enthusiasm and we are sure that you will hear further details about these from your children in the coming weeks. Home learning ideas for this term will be emailed out shortly.

School Photos

Andrew Barton will be returning to the junior site on Friday 24th January from 8.30am in the junior hall to take photos of any sibling groups that may have missed out in November due to absence or the weather.

Douglas Borough Council Daffodil Competition

If you haven't already done so, you were advised to bring your daffodil pots indoors in mid January. Daffodils will be judged in school on Monday 3rd March. More details to follow.

Packed Lunches

Just a reminder to parents & carers of children who have packed lunches to please consider what food is being put into lunch boxes. Eating well is important. Children need to eat well as it will give them energy and nutrients to grow and develop and to be healthy and active. A healthy, enjoyable lunch gives children the energy they need to learn and play at school. Please do not send any nut products into school.

Registering children for September 2025

Parents / carers of children turning five in the academic year 2025/26 are reminded they must register with a school well in advance. Pupils are admitted to schools' Reception classes at the beginning of the academic year in which they reach their fifth birthday. In order to help schools allocate staff and plan resources, parents are required to register their children with schools as soon as possible. Catchment areas exist for schools. They can be searched by visiting www.gov.im/maps. Select the local information map and then type a postcode, finally search under 'school catchment areas'. Alternatively, contact the Department of Education, Sport and Culture on 01624 685820 or email admin@doe.gov.im. We need to have all registration forms completed as soon as possible.

Dates for your diary

- Tuesday 21st January: Y6 Open Evening at St Ninian's High School (lower school).
- Thursday 23rd January: Y6 Open Evening at Ballakermeen High School.
- Friday 24th January: Andrew Barton to take sibling group photos (junior site from 8.30am).
- Monday 3rd February - Friday 7th February: Children's Mental Health Awareness Week.
- Tuesday 11th February: Safer Internet Day.

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School Uniform

Just a reminder about the importance of wearing the correct school uniform. We have noticed that since returning a lot of our children are coming to school in trainers and the incorrect uniform. This also includes jewellery, particularly earrings. Children should only be wearing stud earrings in school. We would highly recommend that if your child does wear earrings that they are removed prior to coming to school on both PE and swimming days. We really do appreciate your help with this matter. Please can all parents, carers and guardians take a moment to read through the expectations for uniform on our school website.

Children's Mental Health Awareness Week

In our Assembly's this week we have shared with the children a message from Isle Listen regarding Children's Mental Health Awareness Week. This year, the theme is "Know Yourself, Grow Yourself." The focus of this theme at Isle Listen will be on the importance of self-awareness as a means to promote resilience, growth, and development among young people.

They have provided us with a watering can template (which can be collected from Mrs Hicks or Mrs Quilliam). We kindly ask that children complete the template by reflecting on the things that make them happy and help them grow - just like a flower. We are asking for the templates to be completed by **Wednesday 29th January 2025** and returned to Mrs Hicks or Mrs Quilliam.