

Balmedie Primary School

Newsletter

December 2016

Dear Parent,

Christmas Fair

The school fair was a great success and I would like to thank all the staff, pupils and helpers who worked so hard to make this happen. A grand total of **£4,489.64** was raised; a truly amazing amount. This money will be used to buy new resources for the pupils at school to enhance the teaching and learning at Balmedie.

Dress As You Please Days

- **November Children in Need 'Dotty' Themed Day:** A fantastic **£908.04** was raised, which the school rounded up to **£950** for the donation. Miss Mylles and Mrs Chalmers were the "lucky" teachers who were custard-pied!
- **Friday, 16th December 'Christmas' Themed Day – :** As is now the school's tradition, instead of pupils donating money in return for participating in the 'Dress As You Please Day' at this time of year, we ask that they donate an item of non-perishable food, eg. a packet of pasta or a can of fruit. The food collection will be transported by the AWPR staff to Aberdeen Cyrenians, who will arrange for it to be distributed.
Pupils can either stick to the theme by wearing a Christmas jumper/tinsel/Santa hat etc, wear uniform or dress up in any other way that they please; it is simple a way of adding some extra festive cheer!

Lunchtime Changes

Lunchtime will be early from Wednesday, 14th December until the end of term. It will start at 12.15pm and finish at 1.30pm. This is to allow time for setting up for parties etc. If your child is going home to get dressed for their party, please aim to have them back in school for about 1.20pm.

Alternatively, you can send their party clothes with them in the morning and they can get changed in school at lunchtime.

And finally, on behalf of everyone at Balmedie School, may I wish you a very happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Yours faithfully

Ken McGowan
Head Teacher



Remember – school closes at 3.20pm on Wednesday, 21st December and re-opens at 9.00am on Thursday, 5th January 2017