

Term 2 Update

13 December 2024

Kindness Creativity Teamwork Respect Flourishing

Well nearly there! The final update of what is going on next week!

Dates for the diary

Tuesday 17 December

Nursery Trip to Glues Garden Centre (weather permitting) details on Seesaw

Wednesday 18 December 2024

Dress Rehearsal - Doors open 1.30pm for 2.00pm start

Performance - Doors open 6.30pm for 7.00pm start

Thursday 19 December

Performance - Doors open 6.30pm for 7.00pm start

Friday 20 December

Christmas Service at Orphir Kirk - 1.45pm

(strings players will need to bring fiddles or viola if they are playing during the service)

Show News

Wednesday 18 December 2024

Dress Rehearsal (no raffle)

Doors open 1.30pm for 2.00pm start

Performance

Doors open 6.30pm for 7.00pm start

Thursday 19 December 2024

Performance

Doors open 6.30pm for 7.00pm start

Where possible, please can children attend all three performances but we do understand if parents consider nursery children are unable to attend the evening performances. For those attending evening performances, times of attendance required will come out next week at the start but if you are a parent that is already here and need to take your bairns at that time, that is also fine! 😊

Cost

Donations on the door for tickets (if you can) - there will also be a raffle (donated (in date) prizes also welcome) 😊.

Help required

Thanks you SO SO much to those that have offered to help just prior to the shows and at this opportunity can we also say thank you to all those costume makers and prop/backdrop painters - AWESOME job! List follows.

Tickets for show(s)

Still plenty of tickets left - see Shona in the school office or email or phone!

Children need at school please:

Change of clothes with them in their PE bag

PE Kit in their PE bag

Welly boots

Waterproof coat (gloves/hat/scarf if they need that type of clothing)

Water bottle

Weekly Timetable

Tuesday	Free Fruit	For all P1-2 at break time - no need for snack that day
	PE	Bring PE Kit and long hair to be tied back
Wednesday	Free Fruit	For all P1-2 at break time - no need for snack that day
	Fiddle and Viola Music	Bring fiddles and Viola!
Thursday	Art	For all P1-2 at break time - no need for snack that day Art shirt if necessary

Education, Leisure and Housing

School term dates - 2024 / 2025 (all dates are inclusive)

Term 1 2024	Tuesday 20 August – Friday 11 October. (39 days)
October holidays	Monday 14 October – Tuesday 29 October.
Term 2	Wednesday 30 October – Friday 20 December. (38 days)
Christmas holidays	Monday 23 December – Friday 3 January.
Term 3 2025	Monday 6 January – Friday 4 April. (61 days)
Schools closed	Thursday 13 February – Tuesday 18 February.
Spring holidays	Monday 7 April – Monday 21 April (Easter Monday 21 April)
Term 4	Tuesday 22 April – Friday 4 July. (52 days)
Schools closed	Monday 5 May (May Day holiday).
Schools closed	Monday 2 June.
Staff Only, In-service days are:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monday 19 August. • Monday 28 and Tuesday 29 October. • Tuesday 18 February. • Monday 2 June.

Education, Leisure and Housing

School term dates - 2025 / 2026 (all dates are inclusive)

Term 1 2025	Tuesday 19 August – Friday 10 October. (39 days)
October holidays	Monday 13 October – Tuesday 28 October.
Term 2	Wednesday 29 October – Friday 19 December. (38 days)
Christmas holidays	Monday 22 December – Friday 2 January.
Term 3 2026	Monday 5 January – Friday 3 April. (61 days)
Schools closed	Thursday 12 February – Tuesday 17 February.
Spring holidays	Monday 6 April – Friday 17 April. (Easter Monday 6 April).
Term 4	Monday 20 April – Wednesday 1 July. (52 days)
Schools closed	Monday 4 May (May Day holiday).
Schools closed	Monday 1 June.
Staff Only, In-service days are:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monday 18 August. • Monday 27 – Tuesday 28 October. • Tuesday 17 February. • Monday 1 June.

Orphir Community School

Show Help 2024

Wed PM

Door/Raffle 1.15pm

1. Frances Flett
- 2.

Face Paint 1.00pm

1. Eilidh Christie
2. Fiona McGlynn
3. Laura Bruce
4. Julia Kemp
5. Louise Sclater
6. Cheryl Seatter

Wed Evening

Door/Raffle 6.15pm

1. Paula Powell
2. Graham or Laura Bruce

Face Paint 6.00pm

1. Graham or Laura Bruce
2. Grant Thomson
3. Eilidh Christie
4. Fiona McGlynn
5. Liz Johnston
6. Julia Kemp
7. Louise & Lauren Sclater

Thurs Evening

Door/Raffle 6.15pm

1. Paula Powell
2. Emma Diamond

Face Paint 6.00pm

1. Fiona McGlynn
2. Grant Thomson
3. Eilidh Christie
4. Emma Stevenson
5. Julia Kemp
6. Louise & Lauren Sclater

Every Child Deserves a Christmas Grant 2024

20 November - 17 December 2024

Every Child Deserves a Christmas 2024

Life brings unexpected challenges and at Christmas these pressures can feel even greater. The current cost of living crisis is an ongoing concern to us all. We are all experiencing the cost of everyday essentials like groceries and bills rising faster than incomes while we recover from the challenges of the recent pandemic. We are here to support young people in our community. This grant provides assistance towards a Child's Christmas.

The Charity has worked hard again, to be able to offer these Christmas grant at £60 per child.

For 2024, the £60 grant per child is paid by bank transfer.

To be eligible for the grant, the child must:

1. Be under 16 on the 25th December 2024 and be permanently resident in Orkney
2. Be connected to a professional or voluntary organisation who can verify that a grant would make a significant difference to Christmas this year. For example:
 - NHS Worker
 - Voluntary Sector Agency
 - A Social Worker
 - A School Teacher
 - Other professional working with the child/family

Please ensure the form is fully and correctly completed, as incomplete forms may result in no payment.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- * Please complete one form per Household, including all children on the one form.
- * Please complete the form only once * No forms will be accepted unless all sections completed, please ensure you include full children name, dates of birth and postal address plus verifier details.
- * Funds are limited and not all applications may be successful.
- * The information provided in this application form will be treated in the strictest of confidence and will never be disclosed to third parties.
- * The information will only be used for the purposes of this application and shall adhere to the relevant GDPR regulations.

We aim to deal with all forms as quickly as possible, usually each Saturday with grants paid on the following Monday.

We hope these grants help add a little magic this Christmas X

The link to apply is below and you can use the following details for questions 15 and 16.

Grant Thomson, Head Teacher, 01856 811265, grant.thomson@orkney.gov.uk

https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=DQSIkWdsW0yxEjajBLZtrQAAAAAAAAAAAAAFMkOCNyYFUMzhYSU1KQIZFNkFSQUhFMVFaRTgyOFNMtY4u&fbclid=IwY2xjawGvFyZleHRuA2FlbQlxMAABHaOG1-O-FZKxBtzmwz0FoBms16p1Rk5IQjQpsOr_vldPRf-WJs0yH7I5Nw_aem_d5mU02ObxIL9gAfYI9HcA&route=shorturl