

# School Bulletin 31st October 2025



## Dates for the Diary

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November Parent Council Meeting, 6pm

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November Remembrance Assembly, led by P4 - families of P4 welcome, 12.15pm

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November P6 + P7 Netball competition (after school)

Wed 12<sup>th</sup> + Thu 13<sup>th</sup> Nov Parent's Evening – booking using link sent out already

17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> Nov ENROLMENT WEEK FOR ELC AUG 2026 AND P1 AUG 2026

Scottish Book Week

Thu 20<sup>th</sup> November Jumper swap shop – by the sharing shed, 3.20pm

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November Casual Clothes Day

Mon 1<sup>st</sup> + Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> December Closed for school holiday

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Fayre 6 – 8 pm (see Parent council Facebook page)

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December P6 Show, Paws and Claws. 1.45pm and 6pm. P4 and P5 supporting.

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December ELC Show

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December P5 party AM; P6 party PM

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December P6 Pantomime Trip

P4 party AM; P2/P3 party PM

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December P7 party AM; P1 party PM

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December Wear something Christmassy and School Christmas Lunch

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December Last Day of Term

(Church Christmas Service and ELC parties are still to be confirmed)

## Staffing update

Mrs Ballantyne has decided to move away from teaching for a while. We are grateful for all she has done for our school over the last 8 years. She has been instrumental in supporting the P6 show in the last 3 years, which she loved. We wish her every happiness in the future.

Miss Douglas and Ms Billingham will be teaching P6 up to Christmas as we advertise and interview for a new teacher.

Following the review of PSAs (pupil support assistants) across SBC, I am delighted to confirm that Mrs Goodfellow and Mrs Learmonth have been made permanent at Edenside. There are still 3 PSA vacancies which will be advertised on myjobscotland website. We aim to interview for these posts before the end of November 2025.



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### Headlice

Please will you check your child's hair as there are several children with headlice. If your child has headlice you can get the solution to treat them, from a chemist, free of charge under the minor ailments scheme.

### **Christmas Fayre**

Some of our children are hoping to run a secret shop again at the school Christmas Fayre. The shop is for children only – they choose a gift, wrap it and label it for an adult without them knowing (shhhh!).

We would be delighted to accept donations for the shop, from now on, to the school office. Please donate items for gifting eg toiletries (for men and women), unwanted gifts, pens, notebooks, ornaments, socks etc.

<u>Enrolment week</u> – Please see information for ELC attached to this email

17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> November is enrolment week for **ELC and P1 places to start in August 2026**. It is crucial that you complete the enrolment in this week to ensure a place is available for your child. If your child currently has an ELC place you **must still apply** for an ELC or P1 place for school session 2026/27. (Enrolments cannot be completed before 17<sup>th</sup> November.)

Enrolments are completed online via the link on the Scottish Borders Council Website.

### Kelso Music Society

What a lovely morning P6 had, visiting Kelso old Parish church to hear a concert hosted by Kelso Music Society. P6 were joined by children across the Kelso cluster for this event.

(Earlier this week the musicians came into school to talk about their instruments and demonstrate them to P6.)

Many thanks to Kelso Music Society for organising this opportunity.



#### SBC consultation

SBCs Budget Consultation is open until Sunday 30 November 2025. Your feedback will influence the decisions that affect SBC services, communities, and families.

Complete the consultation: Share your views and let us know what matters most to you.

#### Take part now:

Complete the Budget Consultation