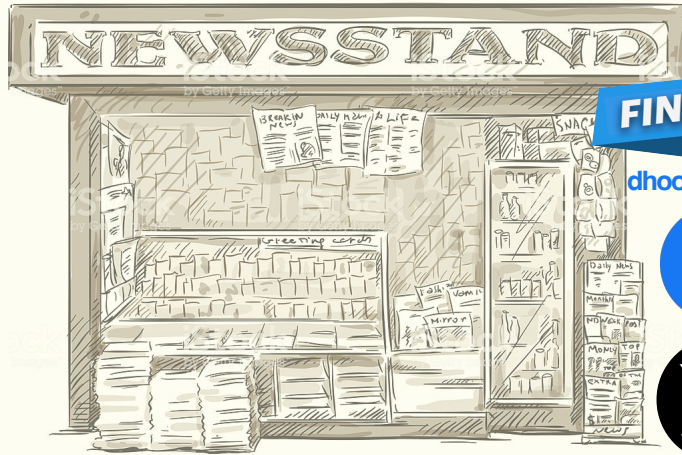




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NEWSLETTER
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Dates for Your Diary

- 06.11.23 Scooter skills and pedestrian road safety lessons this week
- 06.11.23 Mr D Parents' Evening (1)
- 08.11.23 Mr D parents' Evening (2)
- 08.11.23 Girls' Football Tournament
- 12.11.23 Remembrance Sunday Service
- 14.11.23 Badminton Festival
- 17.11.23 Children In Need Day
- 20.11.23 Class 2 Visit to House of Mannan
- 30.11.23 Christmas Fair - details to follow
- 11.12.23 Dhoon School Christmas Concert 2pm
- 15.12.23 Christmas Dinner Day
- 22.12.23 Last day of term

This is not an exhaustive list! The homepage of our school website has a live calendar of events - check it out!

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Message from Mr. Kelly

Greetings, Dhoon Dragons, and a heartfelt welcome back to what promises to be a term of heartfelt commemorations and festive celebrations. I trust your half-term break was a time of joyful respite and togetherness. ✨ As we reconvene within the nurturing environment of Dhoon, we do so with a profound sense of gratitude and remembrance. The solemnity of the Remembrance Period is upon us, a time when we collectively pause to honour the bravery and sacrifices of those who have served. 🌹 In the quiet reflection of our two-minute silence and the symbolic placement of poppy crosses (which you'll see next week), we express our deepest respects. This commitment to remembrance is a cornerstone of our community's values, reminding us of the peace and freedom we cherish daily.

And yet, as the days shorten and the nights grow crisp, the whisper of Christmas begins to rustle through the corridors of Dhoon. 🎄 With hearts warmed by the spirit of the season, we eagerly anticipate the joyful preparations for our fair, the sparkle of our Concert, and the shared merriment of our school festivities. These events are not just dates in our calendar but bright threads woven into the fabric of our children's memories. So, let us move forward with our calendars in hand and a spirit of eager anticipation, knowing that each event, from the somber to the celebratory, enriches the tapestry of our school year. 📅 I encourage you to join us in each moment, to feel the full measure of our school community's heart. And as always, my door is open for any thoughts, questions, or reflections you wish to share. With the deepest respect and warmest wishes, *Max Kelly, Headteacher* ✨

We wish to remind parents of the 48-hour rule. If your child experiences symptoms such as vomiting and/or diarrhoea, it is imperative that they stay home and are symptom-free for 48 hours before returning to school.

A gentle nudge to all - please remember not to park in the bus space outside the school. Let's honour our children's "Slow Dhoon" message and be considerate road users. Your cooperation helps keep our little ones safe and our community happy.



Mr. Davis' Parents' Evening: New

Dates Set

Parents of Mr. Davis' class, please note the rescheduled Parents' Evening appointments for 6th and 8th November. Secure your slot via the Parent Portal on Arbor to discuss your child's progress. It's a partnership we value deeply. 🤝

Our School Calendar

With the whirlwind of activities this season, our school website calendar is your go-to for all the dates and events. It's always up-to-date, ensuring you won't miss a moment of the Dhoon School fun!

Dhoon Girls Football!

A big cheer for our girls' football team competing on 8th November! We know you'll show true Dhoon spirit on the field. Go, team, go! 🏆

Dhoon School Christmas Fair:

Mark your calendars for a festive extravaganza at our annual Christmas Fair on Thursday, 30th November, straight after school. There's a whisper that Santa himself might make a jolly appearance. Don't miss out on the magic!

SAVE THE DATE

One Show to Shine: Dhoon's Nativity

This year, Dhoon School's Nativity will have one special performance on Monday, 11th December at 2pm. Come and be mesmerized by our children's talent - no tickets required, just bring your festive spirit (and maybe a tissue or two)! Doors open at 1:30 pm, and we welcome all friends and family to this cherished event. 🌟

Christmas Hampers at Dhoon

The season of giving is upon us, and it's nearly time to gather treasures for our cherished Christmas Hampers! Keep your eyes peeled for a post-Remembrance letter detailing how you can contribute to these bundles of joy. Your generous donations are what make our hampers a highlight of the Christmas Fair. Let's get ready to pack them with love!

Children in Need:

Join us on 17th November for a casual twist to our school day in aid of Children in Need. A dress down day with a purpose, where every penny of spare change can make a big difference. Let's support this cause together with open hearts and comfy clothes! 🧥

Dhoon School Remembrance

Poppies will be on sale from next week, a symbol of our collective memory and support. Miss Barlow and our pupil representatives will be attending the Remembrance Service at Maughold Church on Sunday, 12th November. Our hearts and thoughts are with those who served.

Ready for a yuletide feast? Christmas Lunch will be served on Friday, 15th December. If your child doesn't usually have school dinner but would like to join, please let us know by 4th December. A festive meal awaits for just £2.40, payable via ParentPay or the traditional way.

As the Christmas countdown begins, from 1st December, children are invited to swap their school jumpers for festive jumpers throughout December!

