



Dhoon Primary School

'Curiosity, Independence, Determination, Creativity, Collaboration'



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Dates for Your Diary

- 02.12.24 Christmas Dinners order deadline
- 06.12.24 Young Farmers Tractor Run (South)
- 07.12.24 Young Farmers Tractor Run (Main)
- 08.12.24 Dhoon Church Carol Service at 6.30pm
- 10.12.24 Christmas Concert at 2pm
- 13.12.24 Christmas Dinner Day
- 19.12.24 Christingle Assembly in School Hall
- 20.12.24 Shropshire - next payment date
- 20.12.24 Last day of term
- 06.01.25 School re-opens for Spring Term
- 13.01.25 School clubs / School Council restarts

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

Message from Mr Kelly

It's almost Christmas, and I can hardly believe we're wrapping up 2024! These final weeks of term are filled with excitement, with pupils practicing for their festive shows and concerts. We're looking forward to welcoming you to these special events (see dates and times in this newsletter).

A huge thank you to everyone who attended our Christmas Fair. It was a fantastic community event, and we're delighted to share that we raised an incredible £2448.50! Please keep an eye on our social media pages for updates—they'll be buzzing with festive photos and highlights.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Being part of Dhoon School is a privilege, and I'm grateful for your continued support. 🎅🌲 *With best wishes, Max Kelly, Headteacher*

In the interest of the well-being of our school community, 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. This measure helps in curbing the spread of infections and ensures a healthier environment for all.

ParentPay
A gentle reminder to keep your account in credit for school lunch payments!

Isle of Man Awards For Excellence

We're over the moon to share that Dhoon School, along with Laxey and Willaston, has been named the winner in the Education category at the Isle of Man Awards for Excellence 2024! This honour celebrates our innovative work in AI, inclusion, collaboration, and curriculum development.

This award is a testament to the hard work of our entire school community—staff, pupils, governors, and families. We hope you're as proud as we are of this fantastic achievement!



Christmas Concert – Not to Be Missed!

Join us on Tuesday 10th December at 2:00pm for our Christmas Concert. It promises to be a spectacular show! No tickets are required, and doors will open at 1:30pm. We look forward to seeing you there for what promises to be quite the show!

School Council KS1 Disco

There will be a dress up disco for KS1 in the new year (School Council arranging) - details to follow & date.

DHOON CHURCH

Carol service with Dhoon School choir @6.30pm on Sunday, December 8

Refreshments

There will be food and refreshments in the church hall on Sunday following the school choir carol concert.

Christingle Assembly – A Festive Celebration

As the festive season draws to a close, we warmly invite you to join us for our Christingle Assembly on Thursday 19th December at 2:00pm. This much-loved tradition is always a special moment in our school calendar.

The assembly will take place in the school hall. Doors will open at 1:30pm, and no tickets are required—just come along, take a seat, and enjoy. The Christingle Assembly is always a magical experience, and we can't wait to share it with our school community.

We are delighted to invite all our families and the wider community to the Dhoon Church Christmas Carol Service on Sunday 8th December at 6:30pm. This cherished tradition is a highlight of our festive calendar and a beautiful way to come together and celebrate the season. Our incredible school choir has been practicing diligently to deliver stunning performances of some lovely festive songs! Their hard work, enthusiasm, and talent will bring a magical touch to this special evening. The service will also feature readings and reflections, creating a heartwarming atmosphere that truly captures the spirit of Christmas. Wrap up warm, bring your festive cheer, and immerse yourself in the joy of the season.

Tea Towels for Sale

Our festive tea towels featuring pupil artwork are still available! Purchase yours for £5 each via ParentPay, cash at the office, or during our Christmas Concert.

A perfect gift! 🎁

Clubs & School Council

These are now finished for 2024 and will resume the week commencing 13th January 2025.

Calling Reception children for September 2025! If you know of any families who have a child due to start at Dhoon School next September, please would you ask them to contact the school as soon as possible to register their place with us.

