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| <b>GENERAL INFORMATION</b> |
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**Note:** *The number in brackets identifies the first week this item appeared in the bulletin. This week is pupil bulletin No. 17.*

**RIGHTS FACT OF THE WEEK (17)**

Right of the Week - Article 24 states that everyone has the right to a good living environment - in 2017 over 14,000 children in Scotland were homeless.

**Miss Rowan****ECO COMMITTEE – ENVIRONMENTAL FACT OF THE WEEK (17)**

Only 1% of our planet's water supply can be used. 97% is ocean water and 2% is frozen solid in the Arctic, for now.

**The Eco Committee****EMPLOYABILITY SKILL OF THE MONTH – TEAMWORK (16)**

Think about when you are using your TEAMWORK SKILLS in class and around the school - record these in your learning diary.

**Miss Paterson****MATILDA THE MUSICAL (15)**

Can all pupils who have signed up to the Matilda Theatre trip with the music department please hand their payment of £45 to the department as soon as possible. Thank you.

**Mrs Currie****CHRISTMAS CONCERT (15)**

Our annual Christmas Concert is taking place in the School Theatre on Tuesday 11 December at 7pm. Please come and join us for some Festive Cheer. Tickets are on sale from the school office.

**Mrs Currie****DRAMA CLUB (16)**

The Drama club has resumed and meets on Fridays during lunchtime in the theatre. Everyone is invited and no experience is necessary - just come with an open mind and a willingness to have fun!

**Mrs Carter****SCHOOL SHOW HAIRSPRAY (16)**

Hairspray rehearsals have now been going for three weeks. Please remember rehearsals are every Wednesday after school until 4:30PM and don't forget to let Mrs Strong or Mrs Carter know if you are unable to come. Rehearsals will be held right up to 19 December and recommence on Wednesday 9 January 2019.

**Mrs Carter****FUNDRAISING FOR SCHOOL SHOW (16)**

We will soon be asking our local businesses and employers to make a donation to the school show in exchange for advertising in our Hairspray programme. If you run a business (or know someone who does) and would be interested in supporting the Arts at Gryffe in this way, please contact the office for more information or look out for information in forthcoming Newsletters and on the school's social media sites.

**Mrs Carter****STAFF vs PUPILS TALENT COMPETITION (16)**

Mrs Carter is looking for Acts to compete for the prize. Pupils will be invited to attend the show during a lunchtime before the holidays begin (date to be confirmed) for a small fee with all monies raised going towards the school show. So if you think you are more talented than a bunch of middle-aged teachers, prove it: See Mrs Strong or Mrs Carter ASAP!

**Mrs Carter****DRAMA AT GRYFFE (16)**

Finally, if you would like to receive regular updates and up-to-date information about Drama at Gryffe, please follow our Twitter account at: @GryffeEngandDra or the school's Facebook page.

**Mrs Carter****PUPIL COUNCIL - MEETING 2 (17)**

As per school calendar, the second Pupil Council Meeting of the session will take place today (Monday 10 December) in the staff room. The Council will be split with Junior S1-3 (Period 4) and Senior S4-6 (Period 5). Pupils that have applied to be part of the Pupil Council have been flagged to attend the appropriate period. Pupils should register at their class first before attending the library. Please ask pupils to bring bags etc with them.

**School Captains and Mr Findlay****CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY - FRIDAY 14 DECEMBER (17)**

With the festivities starting to creep in, it is time for Gryffe High School to join in with the Christmas Spirit. What better way to do this than digging out your Christmas Jumper and proudly displaying it on Friday 14 December. To join in with this event, we ask for the usual suggested £1 donation with proceeds going towards Save the Children Christmas Jumper Appeal. This fantastic cause is one that Gryffe is proud to support on an annual basis. Merry Christmas!!

This is NOT a Non uniform day, it is a wear Christmas Jumper over your uniform day.

**Mr Findlay**

## CU CHRISTMAS QUIZ (17)

Wanting to get into the festive spirit in the last week of term? Gryffe's Christian Union will be holding a Christmas Quiz on Tuesday 18 December in ML4 - come yourself or as a team and compete to win the ultimate Christmas prize.

Festive buffet snacks will be provided. Quiz starts at 1.30pm sharp!

**Mrs Strong**

## CHRISTMAS CONCERT REHEARSALS (17)

These are taking place in the school theatre, Tuesday 11 December at the times below:

| Period | Ensemble                          | Period | Ensemble   |
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| 1      | Pipes                             | 5      | Walk through with all ensembles <b>except Concert Band</b> |
| 2      | Flute Trio & Xylo Trio            | 6      | Jazz Band  |
| 3      | Choir & Instrumentalists          | 7      | Concert Bank   |
| 4      | Sasha Kaloharis & String Ensemble |        |  |

## YOUNG MUSICIAN 1ST ROUND (17)

Intermediate 1<sup>st</sup> Round - Wednesday 12 December, Period 4 if you're in music/lunchtime for others.

Senior 1st Round - Thursday 13 December, lunchtime.

### S1 - S3 INFORMATION

## ANIMATION CLUB (16)

Gryffe Animation Club is open to S1-S3 pupils and meets every Monday 3.40-4.30 in Art Rm 2. This week we're learning to use Flash!

**Miss Stewart**

## NUMERACY CLUB (15)

Reminder that Numeracy Club continues to meet at Thursday lunchtime, but at a new venue. If you are looking to practice your numeracy skills, come along to Resource area 1 (opposite the library).

**Mr Stewart**

## S1 CHRISTMAS DANCE – TUESDAY 18 DECEMBER (17)

The annual S1 Christmas Disco will now be taking place on **Tuesday 18 December**, period 6 and 7, in the canteen. There will be a tuck shop and plenty of festive games with prizes to be won! Tickets are £2.50, which gets you entry, crisps and a drink. House captains will be round all S1 PSE classes this week and next to sell tickets. There will also be a stall at lunch in the canteen every day this week, where you can buy a ticket.

**Miss Holmes**

## BARCELONA TRIP (17)

Any S3 pupils who have not yet collected Newsletter 2 for the Barcelona trip must see Mr Burns as soon as possible.

**Mr Burns**

### S4 – S6 INFORMATION

## S6 FACEBOOK PAGE (13)

S6 Remember to check S6 Facebook page for continuous updates.

**Mrs Brown**

## ASSEMBLIES

### Monday 10 December

S3 Assembly, Period 1

Pupils should report straight to the theatre to be registered. Assembly will last the full period.

S2 Assembly, Period 6

Pupils should report straight to the theatre to be registered. Assembly will last the full period.

S1 Assembly, Period 7

Pupils should report straight to the theatre to be registered. Assembly will last the full period.

### Thursday 13 December

S4 Assembly, Period 4

Pupils should report straight to the theatre to be registered. Assembly will last the full period.