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# Arbory School News



## Dates

### 3rd November

Hop tu Naa Discos  
5.30pm - 6.15pm KS1  
6.30pm-7.30pm KS2

### 10th November

Act of Remembrance led  
by Y5 -  
10.40am in the Parish  
Church

### 17th November

Children in Need

### 8th December

Christmas Lights at the  
Parish Hall  
Father Christmas and  
Choir singing 6pm

Christmas Concerts

### 11th December

Dress Rehearsals  
10am Y5/6  
and 2pm KS1

### 12th December (KS1)

*The Little Red Robin 2pm*

### 13th December (KS1)

*Little Red Robin 10am*

### 14th December (Y5/6)

*We'll meet again 2pm*

### 15th December (Y5/6)

*We'll meet again 10am*

### 15th December

Hot chocolate and Film  
2pm

## 30th October 2023

### Dear Parents,

I hope that half term gave everyone a chance to have a break from routine and that the children managed to have some fun.

### Little Starters Photo

Our reception class will feature in the Little Starters article in this week's Isle of Man Examiner, 31st October 2023.

### Nearly New Sale

Thank you to everyone who brought items to sell and to the Friends of Arbory for setting out the stalls and taking the money. Overall it raised **£210.97** for school funds.

### Trafalgar Service

Well done to Y4 and Mr Parry for a wonderful Trafalgar Day presentation. The children represented the school well and it was a pleasure to welcome the Lieutenant Governor, Sir John Lorimer to the service. It was also a chance to meet the new vicar of Arbory and Castletown, Rev Simon Archer.

### Harvest and Mhelliah

The Key Stage One children led a lovely harvest celebration which was well attended by their families. The Mhelliah was a great success and raised an amazing **£948.00** for school funds. Once again we are grateful to the Friends of Arbory and the parents for organising the event, bringing donations and bidding on the hampers. Our auctioneer Phil Cringle did an amazing job again and our thanks goes to him for his efforts.

### Hop tu Naa Disco

The Hop tu Naa discos take place this Friday and Ben Qualtrough will be our DJ once again. Thanks to everyone involved in organising the event and I am sure that the children will have great fun on Friday.

Please collect your child promptly at the end from the back entrance to school. £1 entrance fee - refreshments and novelties will be available to purchase. Mobile phones should be left at home or handed in to the box in the office on arrival. The playgrounds will not be supervised so children will be asked to stay in the school building until they are going home. Fancy dress is optional but encouraged!

### Poppy Appeal

From tomorrow we will have poppies, wrist bands, slap bands, reflectors and zip pulls available for a donation to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. Slap bands usually go very quickly so these are limited to one per child initially and have a suggested donation of £1.50.

### Dinner Money

**Weekly - £12.00**

Second Half Term **£96.00 - all years**

### School photos

A reminder that orders placed before Sunday 5th November will be delivered to school without a postage cost. Any print orders placed online after that will incur a delivery fee and will be sent directly to you.

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**Lost Property**

We still have un-named items of uniform that have not been claimed as well as quite a few un-named coats. Please come and check to see if they belong to your children. Some non-uniform items have been here for a while and if they are not collected by the end of next week (10th November) they will be sent to a local charity store. Many thanks.

**Manx Dancing Club**

Manx Dancing club for Key Stage 2 children will start on Friday 10th November - 3.30pm -4.30pm.

**Flu immunisation**

Manx Care will come into Arbory school on Thursday 2nd November to deliver the seasonal flu immunisation to children for whom they have received a completed parental consent form. If you have any queries or if you need to contact the School Vaccination Team prior to your child's vaccination, please email [FluVaccinationEnquiries.DHSC@gov.im](mailto:FluVaccinationEnquiries.DHSC@gov.im)

**Christmas Concerts - Booking opens via Eventbrite on Friday 24th November at 12pm**

**Reception and Key Stage 1 - Tuesday 12th December 2pm - School Hall  
Wednesday 13th December 10am - School Hall**

**Years 5 and 6 Thursday 14th December 2pm - School Hall  
Friday 15th December 10am - School Hall**

**Year 3 Nativity Wednesday 20th December 2pm - Arbory Church  
(room for Y3 family members only - no tickets required)**

**Southern Food Bank**

Thanks to everyone who supports the Food Bank as this continues to be relied on in the current climate. Items can be placed in the container by the front entrance. Non-perishable items are needed and a full list is displayed by the collection point. **This month, the Foodbank are requesting tinned spaghetti.**

Yours sincerely,

Mr JH Ayres  
Headteacher