

Barthol Chapel School

Our new Scholastic Book Club is up and running!

We are delighted to be able to offer our learners the opportunity to browse books from our Scholastic Book Club. Go to <http://schools.scholastic.co.uk/barthol-chapel> to browse the latest books and order online. For **every £1 you spend** on this month's Book Club, **our school will earn 25p** in Scholastic Rewards. We aim to replenish our class libraries with the latest titles. Please place your **order online by November 30th, 2017** or order using the paper order form on the leaflet (cheques payable to the school).

Parent Council Christmas Hamper

We have attached a note from the Parent Council with full details. Also, please remember to return any Smartie Tubes to the school by Friday 3rd November. The minutes from the previous Parent Council Meeting is also attached.

Christmas Show

The excitement has started and rehearsals are in full swing. As your child may have already told you this year's production is called "Dragon Days". The Stumbledorf villagers need a hero to save them from their terrifically terrifying dragon... or do they?

The performances will be on Wednesday 13th December in the afternoon and Thursday 14th December in the evening.

Christmas Lunch

This will be on Tuesday 12th December. Menu options for the day will be shared nearer the time. If children do not wish to have a Christmas Dinner, sandwich options will still be available.

Panto at HMT

I am delighted to confirm that the school will be taking the pupils to HMT Aberdeen on Wednesday 6th December to enjoy Aladdin starring Jimmy Osmond, Alan McHugh and Jordan Young. We will be issuing further details and payment information next week by separate letter.

Haddo Arts Festival

A fantastic evening was had by all at the Haddo Arts Festival. The boys and girls from Barthol Chapel rose to the occasion and put on a fantastic show full of beautiful singing. Our children were complimented on their behaviour and manners! Well done Barthol Chapel School!

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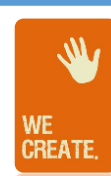
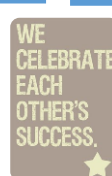
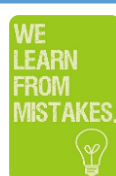
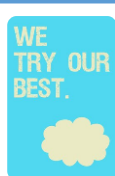
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Emergency Closure Information

It is that time of year when we remind everyone the process followed in the event the school needs to close.

ABERDEENSHIRE COUNCIL GUIDANCE ON SCHOOL CLOSURES

School Information Line Tel: **0370 054 4999** then enter **Barthol Chapel School**
PIN : **021330**

Aberdeenshire Council Website

<https://online.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/Apps/schools-closures/>

You also have the option to sign up to receive email alerts at

<https://online.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/myAberdeenshire/>

When will schools be closed?

Mr Anderson will decide if and when Barthol Chapel School should close due to bad weather or another emergency such as loss of power, heating, water etc. This decision can be made during any time, day or night. We want to work in partnership with parents and carers to ensure the safety of children at all times.

School to close BEFORE THE START of the school day...

We will advise parents and carers using the above communication tools. Your local radio station is also a good place to find out information on school closures.

School to close DURING the school day...

If the School is to close early, we will contact you by telephone. If this is not possible we will contact your named 'emergency contact'. No child will be released from school without contact being made. It is important contact details are current and the people named are available – particularly during bad weather. If you are concerned about local weather conditions contact the school. You may wish to collect your child yourself and are free to do so provided you make arrangements with the school.

School Transport operators are required to provide the necessary vehicles to transport the pupils home at the earliest opportunity. If you can't meet or arrange for your child to be met, the school transport will return them to a designated location.

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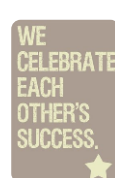
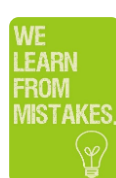
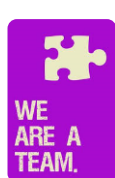
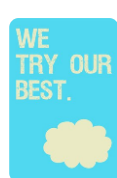
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School Transport in Adverse Weather

During periods of adverse weather some or all home-to-school transport services may not operate, or alternatively operate a curtailed service depending upon local road conditions. Any decision to cancel or amend the operation of some or all school transport services to Barthol Chapel School will be made by the bus operator following consultation with Mr Anderson and will have regard to the prevailing and forecast weather and road conditions along with any advice from Police Scotland and/or any other appropriate agency.

If school transport has been cancelled, at their own risk, parents can choose to bring their children to school. However, the parents then become responsible for conveying their children home again at the end of the school day, or earlier, if it becomes necessary to send all pupils home and close the school due to worsening weather conditions.

Information will normally be posted on the council's school closure web pages and Schools Information Line. However, it is not always possible to alert parents of service cancellations or route variations within a short timescale. As such pupils should wait no longer than 20 minutes at the designated pick-up point, and, if no school transport vehicle arrives, then return home.

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