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There is no full newsletter this month, but we would like to provide some key information as we approach the end of term.



You may have heard that D & E Coaches are selling some assets to Stagecoach. The changes for Dingwall Academy are, from 7th January 2019 the Conon Bridge contract and the Dingwall-Maryburgh-Easter Kinkell-Culbokie contract will be operated by Stagecoach. Pupils on these routes must collect a bus pass from the school office this week, otherwise they may be charged.

All other school buses from Dingwall Academy will remain with D & E Coaches. Slight changes to the Marybank & Beaully timetables can be viewed from the school website. Stagecoach will resume the Evanton service from 7th January

07:50 Evanton-Dingwall

16:07 Dingwall-Evanton (Mon—Thurs)

13:42 Dingwall-Evanton (Friday)

Christmas Socials

The Christmas Socials are a highlight of the school calendar and take place as follows:

S1 and S2	Tuesday 18th December
S3 and S4	Wednesday 19th December
S5 and S6	Thursday 20th December

Pupils have already been issued with letters outlining arrangements for the Socials, all tickets must be purchased in advance.

Parents will be aware that the school was recently inspected. Thank you to all parents for their very positive contribution to the inspection process. The full report will be published in February.

Prelim Examinations

The prelim exams for senior phase pupils start on Monday 14th January. These exams are very important and pupils do need to plan their study time over the Christmas break. Good luck to all pupils involved.

Adverse Weather

A reminder of procedure to check for possible school closure or delayed start.

The phone information line is the first to be updated. Parents are asked to call this number, and not the school office.

Dial 0800 564 2272—you will then be prompted for the school pin code 04 10 10

Highland school closures will also be listed on:

www.highland.gov.uk/schoolclosures

If your child travels on a school bus, we would recommend that you follow the D & E Facebook page. This is updated with any travel changes early each morning.

Arrangements for last day of term.

School closes for Christmas at 1.15 on Friday 21st December and re-opens on Monday 7th January.

Friday 21st will be a Christmas Dress Day. Pupils can choose to wear Christmas jumpers, Santa hats, tinsel etc. Pupils who choose to dress for Christmas will be asked for a minimum £1 donation for Teenage Cancer Trust.



We wish all our pupils, parents and staff a wonderful Christmas and look forward to welcoming everyone back in the New Year.

