

HARRIS ACADEMY FORMER PUPILS' ASSOCIATION



Autumn 2013 Newsletter

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Armistice Day Service

The Service will be held in the School's temporary Campus at Lawton Road, Dundee DD3 6SY (the former Rockwell School), on Monday 11 November 2013 at 10.30am for 11 am. Seating will be available for those unable to stand for the duration of the service, after which the School will serve tea and coffee in the Staff Room. Members who wish to have lunch at Invercarse Hotel afterwards will choose and pay from the normal Redwood Lounge lunch menu, and should arrive for 12.15pm.

School Christmas Carol Service

The Carol Service will be held in Dundee West Parish Church, 132 Perth Road, Dundee (at top of Roseangle) on Thursday 19 December 2013 at 7.30pm. All will be made very welcome, both at the Service and in the Church Hall afterwards for Refreshments.

Burns Evening: "Burns with a Drop of Scotch"

Once again, as in the case of last year, the Evening will take a slightly different form from the traditional pattern of previous years. Last year's event was greatly enjoyed by those who managed to attend after fighting their way through dreadful weather conditions and the next event will be every bit as enjoyable, with contributions from Sheena Wellington, Roberta Ramsay, Dundee College Drama Students, and School Music

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Pupils. Traditional Fare will be served as usual. It will take place in Invercarse Hotel on Monday 27 January 2014 and the tickets will be available from the beginning of December 2013. They will be priced at £18.00 per head and can be obtained either at the December lunch or by sending your request along with a cheque and stamped addressed envelope to the Treasurer, Dorothy Drummond, 44 Farington Street, Dundee DD2 1PF. Cheques should be made payable to "Harris Academy FP Association". Requests for table reservations should be made to Dorothy Drummond by Friday 10 January 2014 at the latest (telephone: 01382 668619). As final numbers are required by the hotel by Saturday 18 January 2014 no refunds can be given to anyone cancelling after Friday 17 January 2014.

Quarterly Lunches

The lunches will be held as usual in Invercarse Hotel at 12 noon for 12.30pm on the first Mondays in December, March, June and September. Reservations should be placed with the Social Secretary.

Tea Towels

We still have a supply of the new thematic tea towels designed by Rosemary Matheson-Dear. They will bring back memories of your happy days at Harris Academy! The towels are priced at £3.50 each and can be obtained from Dorothy Drummond, 44 Farington Street, Dundee DD2 1PF by sending her a cheque with an additional £1.00 to cover postage and packing. They will also be available at the Quarterly Lunches and any other Association Events.

Quiz Night

The Quiz Night in the School Hall on 6 June 2013 was a great success and very well attended by FPs, current pupils, parents, staff, and friends. The success of the evening has encouraged Council to consider further Social Evenings, and so your support at these will be appreciated.

Perth Road Building

Demolition of the 1931 building is now underway. Hopefully some photographs of the building, and its subsequent reduction to dust, (if you can bear to look at them), will appear on the website. Details about the new School building can be found on the new School website at <http://harrisacademy.ea.dundeecity.sch.uk>

Web Site

Please remember to keep visiting the FP web site at www.harrisfps.co.uk for updates on News and Events throughout the year, as well as items on the Notice Board. The Webmasters are proposing to add to the site "Harris Academy: The First 100 Years" written by Dr Graham D Brindle, formerly a member of the School History Department, who has kindly given his permission for this to be done and has provided the Association with the requisite material. The work featured in the School's previous website but it has not been incorporated in the new website.

FINALLY....

As you will no doubt be aware, the cost of postage has escalated drastically over the last few years and Council has resolved that postal communication must be avoided where possible. If you use email but are receiving postal communications (and that includes lunch intimations) please email me immediately so that your name can be transferred from the postal list to the email list. And if you change your email address PLEASE remember to tell me. If you do not wish either email or postal communications please say so. Finally, no more letters will be sent abroad. Only emails will be sent.

Council trusts you will appreciate the need for these arrangements.

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