



1st Buckie Boys' Brigade Songs of Praise

The Company will be finishing the year with a Songs of Praise in Buckie South & West Church on Sunday 17th December 2017 at 6pm. This will be one of the 70th Anniversary events and all boys are expected to be there. Boys will get both metal and cloth badges on the night. The offering on the night will go to support the fabric funds of the South & West and the North Church.

A number of guests will be present on the night - the Lord Lieutenant, Clare Russell and a number of Moray Councillors, including the Convener of the council, James Allan.

Anchor Boys and Primary 4 Junior Section boys will be singing during the service. A number of other boys will also be asked to contribute to the service i.e. a reading, prayer, intimation of the hymn / carol.

Teas, coffee, and soft drinks will be available after the service.

A further information sheet will go out to all boys the week before the event.

HELP REQUIRED!

Offers of help for the teas after the Service would be appreciated. Please get in touch with Jennifer McIntosh (832999) if you are able to help.

Walkers have kindly agreed to donating shortbread.

Uniform: A reminder to parents/carers that it would be helpful if hats could be named. Recently, there have been a number of hats left behind and it can get confusing! Missing armbands / badges should be reported to officer in charge of section(s).

Annual Photographs: With the closure of the Banffshire Advertiser office in Buckie, we have had to postpone the Annual Photographs until January. Further information to follow.

Battalion Cross-Country: The Company recently won the Battalion Cross Country Trophy. A big thanks to those boys who represented the Company. Names will appear in the next edition of "Chevron".



Coffee Morning



Well done and thanks to all who supported the recent Coffee Morning.

A gross total of approximately £1561 was realised.

Armistice Parade: Excellent turn-out for the Remembrance Parade. The Company has received a number of very positive comments from the public. The Company wreath was laid by senior boy, Mathew Ward.

Gymnastics: Gymnastics continues to be popular and boys (Pr6 +) can go along on a Tuesday from 7.30 – 8.15pm. Planning will shortly begin for the Annual Display. All welcome. Younger boys in the Band are also welcome to attend. Primary 5, who are learning the bugle are welcome to attend the gymnastics but it would be highly unlikely that they would feature in the gymnastics team for the Annual Display.

Trampoline Park. All boys, who have paid their deposit or full amount, should have received a savings card. Marked on top of the card should be the date that your son would be going. If not, please hand in to be marked. Further information will go out the week before we go to Inverurie.

1st Buckie Website: Visit our website and catch up with the many photos now on show.

National Competitions: Well done to our U15 Team who reached the Scottish semi-finals. The seniors travel to Dundee on the 25th November. We wish them well.

Queen's Badge: Reminder to our 5 Queen's Men that QB work (community service, interest & physical) MUST be completed by the end of December 2017. **Books have to be finished, checked and signed off by Friday 19th January.** Books will not be accepted after that date. All boys meeting the deadline **will then attend the Completion Course at Kinraig on weekend of 23 – 25 February 2017.**

Battalion Top of the Form(Junior Section): Well done! The Junior Section retained the Top of the Form Trophy last weekend. The competition was held at Turriff. The photograph will appear in the next "Chevron" .

Chevron: The next edition of "Chevron" is currently being compiled and will be available in January.

100 Junior Challenge: Fantastic! It is great to see so many Junior Section boys up for the Challenge 100. Medals will be given to boys who achieve more than 70 challenges.

Holidays

With the exception of the boys going to the Trampoline Park, the Company will be on holiday from Friday 15th December until Sunday 7th January. Anchor Boys will recommence on Monday 8th January. Junior and Company Sections on Friday 12th January 2018.

Numbers: The Company strength at the moment is 214 officers and boys, including 15 boys who joined Anchor Boys.

Service Badge: Boys of all sections should have received their 2017/2018 Service Badge.

London 2018: Once again, we have our numbers! Savings cards have been issued and we are now working on the itinerary! Newsletter will follow in January. Boys should all have a savings card.

Non-attendance: Please contact us if your son is **NOT** going to attend on a Monday, Friday or Sunday. Boys must attend unless for medical or personal reasons. Non-attendance should be intimated to G Pirie, A or J McIntosh.

Christmas Light: The Company will once again have a high profile in Buckie during the festive season. Spot the lamp-post.

Overseas Appeal: Boys of all ages are encouraged to save a "jar of coins" to support our school in Jamaica. To date we have supported the school to the tune of approximately £6000. We hope to continue this good cause and provide further support to our designated school.

"Jars of pennies" can be handed in on any Monday or Friday. Annually, the Company award medals to all participants (minimum is £5 to get a medal) as a keep sake and small trophies to the boys, in all sections, who collect the most. Final deadline for handing in for this session's appeal is Friday 16th March 2018.

Dates for your Calendar:

Sunday 3 December	Bibleclass....10am
Monday 4	Anchor Boys 6 -7pm
Tuesday 5	Usual Tuesday Programme
Friday 8	Juniors 6pm / Company 7.20pm
Sunday 10	Biblecass....10am
Monday 11	Anchor Boy Party
Tuesday 12	Usual Tuesday Programme
Thursday 14	Trampoline Park
Friday 15	Trampoline Park...No Junior or Company Section meeting
Sunday 17	NO Bibleclass

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Monday 8 January	Anchor Boys 6 – 7pm
Friday 12	Juniors 6pm / Company 7.20pm

Battalion Events

Saturday 27 th January:	Battalion 5 Aside, Buckie, 6 – 9.30pm
Wednesday 31 st January:	Battalion Swimming, Buckie
Saturday 24 th February:	Anchor/Junior Battalion Fun Day, Buckie, 2 – 4pm.
Sunday 25 th February:	Battalion Building Your Skills Course...details to follow.
Sunday 4 th March:	Battalion Parade....Buckie
Saturday 17 th March:	Battalion Badminton / Table Tennis, Buckie, 6 – 9pm.

Planning for the Future

Sunday 17 th December:	1 st Buckie Songs of Praise
Friday 9 –Monday 12 February 2018:	Mid Term Break
Saturday 17 February 2018:	1 st Buckie 70 th Anniversary Supper/Dance
Friday 23 – Sunday 25 February 2018:	Queen’s Badge Completion Course
Saturday 3 March 2018:	Pancake Tea
Friday 23 March 2018:	Annual Inspection
Friday 8–Sunday 10 June 2018:	Weekend Camp
Sunday 5 th August – Friday 10 th August:	Trip to London (confirmed)

1st Buckie Company

70th Anniversary

Supper Dance

(Mince and tatties, macaroni or chicken curry)

Dancing to Current Affair

Marine Hotel

Saturday 17th February (time – to be confirmed)

Tickets, priced £8, will be available in January 2018.

Reserve your ticket now! Contact Jennifer McIntosh.

Raffle Prizes would be appreciated for the event.

