



Just a reminder that Anchor Boys (Monday & Tuesday):	5.50 – 7pm.
Junior Section (Monday & Tuesday):	7.10 – 8.15pm
Company Section (Friday Junior Pr7 – S2):	6.15 – 8.30pm
Company Section (Friday Senior S3 +):	8.00 - 9.40pm
Company Bugle Band (Wednesday):	6.30 – 7.30pm

Hampers: Last chance to enter the “Hamper” Competitions. The draw will be made on Friday 26th November.

Wishing For?

The Company will again be lighting a tree at the front of the South & West Church on Monday 29th November at approximately 6.45pm. Boys this year have decided that we have a “Wishing For” Tree and that we circulate “stars” and ask individuals to write their own “Wish” onto the star and return to any officer on a Monday, Tuesday or Friday. Stars are available from any leader. All “stars” will be “cut-out and laminated” on return. Boys will be given the opportunity to “write” their own “star”. If you would like to give a donation (will go to a local charity), please feel free to make a contribution.

Monday 29th November

The “Wishing For” Tree will be switched on at approximately 6.45pm on Monday 29th November. **Anchor Boys**, on the Monday, will be taken out to the front of the Church in time for the switch on. Parents/carers must ensure that boys have their jackets with them. Boys can then be picked up after the switch on in the usual manner. **Junior Section Boys**, if they want to see the switch on, can report to the front of the Church, outside the railings, with parents/carers and then go in the side door for their usual evening.

Pancake Making: Company Section boys have been making Pancakes as part of their Friday programme. Queen’s Men (guinea pigs!), Primary 7 and Secondary 1 boys so far, with the rest of the Company Section in due course. All boys are given a bag of their own home made pancakes to take home. Enjoy!

Speakers: As part of the Queen’s Men Programme, we are encouraging outside speakers to address these young men. Drew Coull, Josh Wilson are two ex - Queen’s Men who gave very informative talks to our Queen’s Men and Primary 7 boys. We have others lined up post-Christmas.

Enrolment Parade: A big thank you to all who made the Enrolment Parade and Dedication a huge success. On the day, approximately 220 officers and boys took part. It was good to see our Band get back and only after 4 practices, perform the way they did. Our Queen's Men were also high profile on the day and are to be congratulated on how they all did their "bit" for the Annual Service – well done to all.

Armistice Parade: Next was the Armistice Parade and again, although only Company section, boys were a credit to their parents/carers and to the Company. Well done to Greig Flett who laid the wreath on behalf of the Company.

Camp 2022: We have 2 places become available for Summer Camp – Primary 5 +. If you are still interested in your son going to camp, please talk to Jennifer McIntosh.

National Cross Country: No update!

Facebook: Reminder that we now have our own Facebook page and it is updated daily.

Lego Competition: Congratulations to our winners: Anchor Boys – Jax Sinclair: Junior Section – Mason Jax Milne: Company Section – Aidan Murdoch

The draw was made by the Lord Lieutenant of Banffshire, Mr Andrew Simpson and the total raised for Company funds was £405. We gratefully appreciate the anonymous sponsor of the prizes – many thanks.

Change of Address/Circumstances: Please inform Jennifer McIntosh.

"Lest We Forget" Competition:

Over 45 entries were received. Well done and congratulations to all. Winners will receive a medal and all boys will get a "goody" Bag.

Primary 2: 1st Callum Eagle: 2nd Elliot Aitken : 3rd Alfie Smith

Primary 3: 1st Tommy Greig: 2nd Kaleb Fielding: 3rd Kason Smith

Primary 4: 1st Mason Jax Milne : 2nd James Ritchie: 3rd Scott Yardley

Primary 5 1st Ewan Bruce: 2nd Mason Farley :

Primary 6 1st Lucas Whittle: 2nd Seth Coull: 3rd Ellis Geddes

Armband: All boys should have received the 1st Buckie Annual Service Badge. All Primary 2 boys and any boy, joining this session out with primary 2 should have received their armband. Armband layout was included with the last Newsletter. It is important that boys keep previous badges in a safe place as a number cannot be replaced. If your armband / badges are lost, please contact the Section Leader

Jar of Coins: We are again collecting "jars of coins" to support a local charity, yet to be identified. Boys collecting more than £5 will be awarded a 1st Buckie Community Badge (2021/22). We have already handed out over 60 badges prior to holidays. Just a reminder that if a jar is handed in, it would be the next meeting of the section when your son would receive his badge in a brown envelope. When returning the jar, please write your name and section on the label. Jars can be handed into any leader at this stage.

Bench: The "jars of coins" for the past 12 months has resulted in the Company going ahead to provide TWO substantial benches at the top of the Bin Hill. Permission has been granted by Seafeld Estates and we are in the latter stages of getting the benches to the top of the hill. We are indebted to the Crafty Wood Turner. Look out for further information through Facebook.

CD's / DVD's: The Company, throughout the summer months, has been fundraising by collecting used CD's and DVD's that are no longer used by families. We sell them on to Ziffit or Music Magpie in return for funds for the Company. To date we have raised over £350 from sales. Please keep them coming in, either on a Monday, Tuesday, Friday or to 40 West Church Street. We are also indebted to the Buckie Community Charity Shop for their generous support.

Chevron Magazine: Due to lock down, "Chevron" was not published last session but we are still optimistic of getting one done soon!

Badges: The Company this session will also be having their own badges for Remembrance, Physical and Crafts. We also hope to add to these later this session.

All boys should have already received their Remembrance Badge and before the end of this term, Anchor Boys and Junior Section boys will all receive their Physical and Craft Badges. Guidelines that the Company uses for these two badges are as follows:

Attend at least 6 crafts classes on a Monday / Tuesday and for the Physical Badge, attend at least 6 "games" sessions.

We are also currently looking at updating the Company Section Badges / Armbands.

Trampoline Visit: Information for Company and Junior Sections enclosed with this Newsletter.

Anchor Boy / Junior Section Booklets 2020/2021: We still have a number of 2020/2021 booklets to be returned. If your son requires a replacement booklet, please contact Jennifer McIntosh. Especially important for the new Primary 5 and 6 boys as they would be a year behind in achieving their Silver or Gold Badge at the Awards Evening in March.

BOOKLET MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE BADGE IS AWARDED.

Banffshire Battalion: Well done to the Junior and Company Sections who retained the Battalion Cross Country Trophy. Also well done to the 3 "Watt" brothers who won 1st place in each of their age groups – is this a record! Excellent.

The next event will be the Junior Section Top of the Form at Banff on Sunday 21st November. Boys had a quiz to choose the team and the four boys coming out on top will represent the Juniors at Banff. Results will be in Facebook.

Bible Class: No further developments with Bible Class at this stage. An intimation will follow in the next Newsletter.



Dates for your Calendar:

Tuesday 23 rd	Anchor Boys Pr3 / Junior Section
Wednesday 24 th	Band – 6.30pm.
Friday 26 th	Company Section
Monday 29 th	Anchor Boys Pr2 / Junior Section
Tuesday 30 th	Anchor Boys Pr3 / Junior Section
Wednesday 1 st December	:Band – 6.30pm.
Friday 3 rd	Company Section
Monday 6 th	Anchor Boys Pr2 / Junior Section
Tuesday 7 th	Anchor Boys Pr3 / Junior Section
Wednesday 8 th	Band – 6.30pm.
Friday 10 th	Company Section
Monday 13 th	Anchor Boys Pr2 / Junior Section
Tuesday 14 th	Anchor Boys Pr3 / Junior Section
Wednesday 15 th	Trampoline Visit

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Battalion Events –

Sunday 20th February: Building Your Skills (For President's Badge), Banff.

Planning for the Future

Monday 13th December: Anchor Boy Christmas Party – CANCELLED

Wednesday 15th December: Trampoline Visit for Juniors and Company Sections.

16th December – 9th January: Company on Holiday.

Friday 3–Sunday 5 June 2022: Weekend Camp.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR ANCHOR BOYS AND JUNIOR SECTION FOR CHRISTMAS.

As a result of the announcement for no Anchor Boy Party this Christmas, the Company will have both the Monday (13th) and Tuesday (14th) the same as normal as far as times. The difference will be that boys in both Anchor Boys and Junior Section will be encouraged to come along (No uniform) with a “wear something for Christmas”. The emphasis for the evenings will be “fun” and games will have links with Christmas. Great prizes and of course, a visit from Santa for Anchors AND Juniors. Goody bags will be distributed, Christmas Card Competition prizes handed out but NO food/drink during the hour. Boys can of course take their own bottle of water.

Juniors will also have the opportunity to go to the trampoline Park at Inverurie on Wednesday 15th December.