

Highest number of homeless children in Scotland in a decade this Christmas

Schoolchildren from Corstorphine Primary School went to Holyrood this morning to help Shelter with a visual display of the number of children who will be homeless this Christmas.



School children from Corstorphine Primary School , hold the number 6615 at the event.

The number of children without a permanent home is rising. There are 38 more each day and this year there will be 6,615 who are homeless at Christmas which is the highest number in ten years.



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Alison Watson, Deputy Director of Shelter Scotland, said: “Children being homeless in 21st century Scotland is a disgrace in itself, but with 6,615 being homeless at Christmas, drives home just how wrong it is.

“Last year in Scotland, 38 children were made homeless every day – more than 14,000. The number of homeless children has risen for four years in a row – so things are getting worse not better.

“It’s time that promises were made and kept to the children of Scotland – that we will build enough affordable homes to make sure every child has a home not just for Christmas, but permanently.”



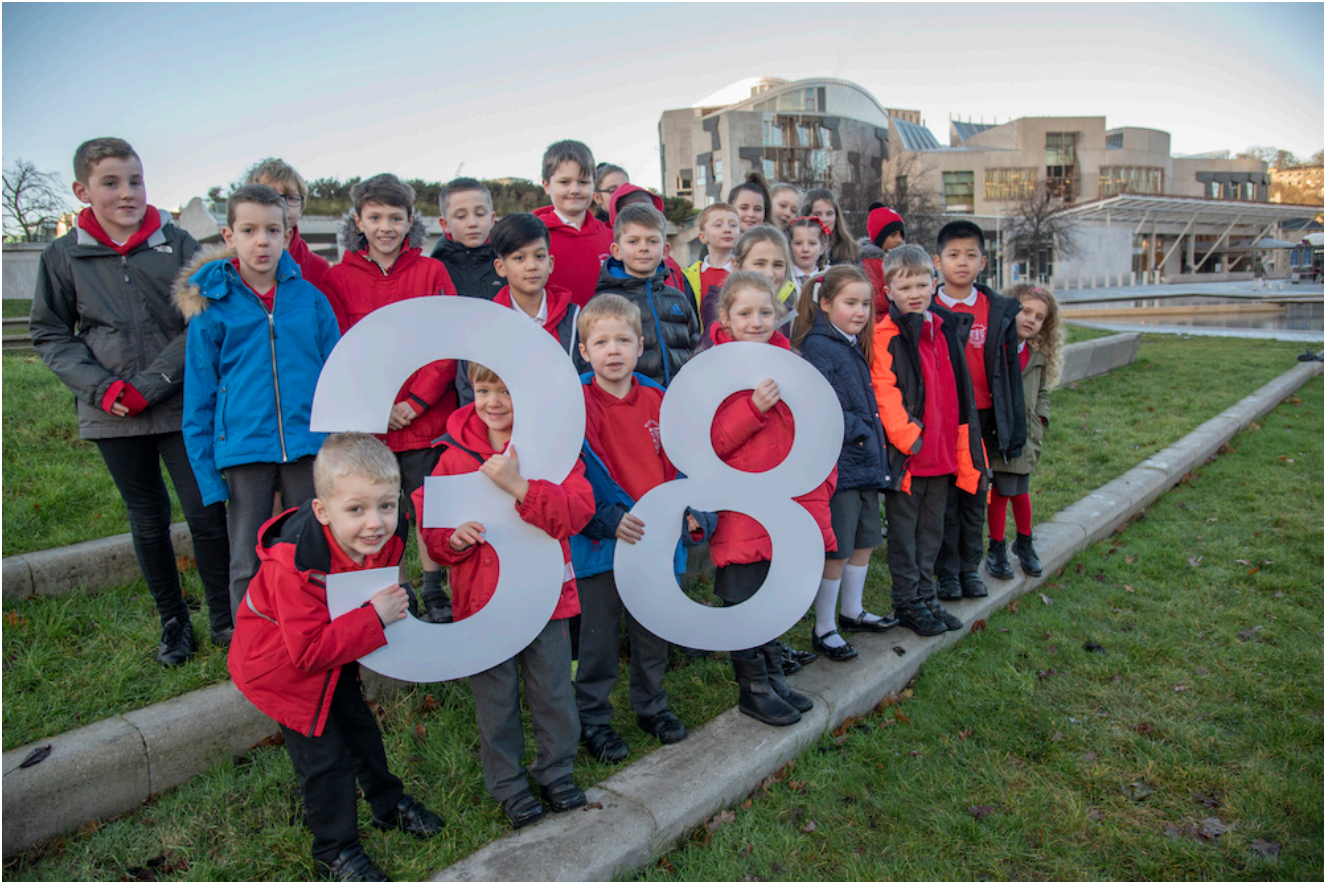
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