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| KINTORE PRIMARY SCHOOL BULLETIN NO 2 |

Dear Parents/Guardians

A busy start to the session. The Primary 7s have had a wonderful week at Nethy Bridge and have posted some lovely photographs on our Twitter Page; please take a look. We have also taken the opportunity to meet with Nursery and Primary 1 parents at various events.

We hope to continue to raise the profile and standards of the school by encouraging a sense of identity and pride through the wearing of school uniform. Please note our colour of sweatshirt or cardigan is wine.

**Primary 1 Pupils**

The children are settling into their full day of teaching well and are growing in confidence with the arrival and dismissal routines. We would appreciate parents remembering to keep all exits clear and if you have a dog, keep it well away from the crowds around the playground.

**Flu Vaccine Consent Forms**

We will be issuing these in the next few days. Please note that they have to be with us by Wednesday, 14 September 2016 at the latest. After this date we will be unable to add children to the list of those requiring a vaccine.

It may be worthwhile noting that children may forget to hand in the paperwork, so please check their schoolbags or hand the forms into the office.

**Volunteers**

At the moment, we are not able to allow pupils full access to all play areas due to lack of available staff. We are looking for parent volunteers to help out in the main playground for an hour or so, even just for one day in the week. We will provide some supervision and full disclosure would be required. Please intimate your interest in this on the attached slip.

**Spree Books**

We have still to receive either payment or the return of the Spree Books from several families. Please do not hesitate to return any unwanted books. We will contact families individually at the start of next week if we haven’t heard from you.

**Smoking Policy**

You will be aware that smoking, either tobacco or the use of vaporizers is not allowed in the school building or its grounds, including the Astroturf.

**Vandalism**

This seems to have accelerated of late. Last Monday, not only the playground but the Astroturf was covered in broken glass and vandalism continues in our garden. We have also had complaints from neighbours in the Airlie House area from older children tramping through their gardens, breaking fences etc.

We have spoken to the children about this but in some cases the culprits are secondary age children, or, as in the older teens I spoke to in the garden, not recognisable as Kintore residents.

**Senior Choir**

Miss Ratcliffe is keen to start a senior choir on Wednesdays after school (this may change to Tuesdays next term, to accommodate staff development sessions). It will start at 3.00 pm and last for an hour and will initially be open to boys and girls in P6 and P7 but, depending on uptake may include P5.

The first session is planned for Wednesday, 14 September 2016; pupils should first return the attached slip indicating their dismissal arrangements.

**Football Coaching**

This is well underway but we are short of helpers/coaches. Help is always useful for all the age groups but at the moment the P2 and P4 stages are really struggling. All that’s needed is enthusiasm.

**Bikeability**

Once again, in order for this to go ahead, we require parent volunteers. We have arranged a training session for Wednesday, 7 September 2016. Attendance at this isn’t always necessary providing we do have enough adults familiar with the scheme.

If you can help in any way at all, please tick off your preferred sessions on the return slip and return to the office as soon as possible. The P6 teachers will then be in touch with you.

Practical outdoor sessions will be held as follows:-

Wednesday, 7 September 2016 9.30 am – 12.00pm – Adult/Staff training

Friday, 9 September 2016 Bicycle Check

Monday, 12 September 2016 1.20 pm – 2.45 pm

Wednesday, 14 September 2016 10.35 am – 12.00 pm

Friday, 16 September 2016 10.35 pm – 12.00 pm

Monday, 19 September 2016 1.20 pm – 2.45 pm

Wednesday, 21 September 2016 10.35 am – 12.00 pm

Friday, 23 September 2016 10.35 pm – 12.00 pm

Monday, 26 September 2016 1.20 pm – 2.45 pm

Wednesday, 28 September 2016 10.35 am – 12.00 pm

Friday, 30 September 2016 10.35 pm – 12.00 pm

Monday, 3 October 2016 1.20 pm – 2.45 pm

Wednesday, 5 October 2016 10.35 am – 12.00 pm

Friday, 7 October 2016 10.35 pm – 12.00 pm (May extend to include testing)

**Calendar**

This has now been finalised and printing of our blue calendar is underway. In its absence you will find a list of forthcoming attractions:

Monday, 5 September 2016 - Parent Council Meeting at 6.30 pm.

Wednesday, 7 September 2016 - Bikeability training at 9.30 am.

Friday, 9 September 2016 - Assembly held by P6A.

Wednesday, 14 September 2016 - Nursery Workshops (arrangements to follow).

Friday, 16 September 2016 - Assembly P6C.

Week Beginning 19 September 2016 - P7 cafes (arrangements from class teachers to follow).

Tuesday, 20 September 2016 - PTA Meeting at 7.00 pm. All welcome.

Wednesday, 21 September 2016 - Sheena Blackhall will present the Gruffalo in Doric to

P1 and Nursery pupils.

Friday, 23 September 2016 - Assembly P6B.

Thursday, 29 September 2016 - Parents’ Evening.

Frida, 30 September 2016 - Assembly led by P6D.

Tuesday, 4 October 2016 - Parent Twilight.

Friday 7 October 2016 - Last Day of Term.

Many thanks



**WILMA WALKER** 2 September 2016

Head Teacher ***TYPED BY K LOW***

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**Bulletin No 2 Parent Comments**

**Senior Choir**

I would like my child to attend the Senior Choir starting on Wednesday, 14 September 2016:

Pupil Name:…………………………………………………………

Class:……………………………………………………

Parent/Guardian Signature………………………………………………………………Date………………………………………

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**Playground Volunteer**

I would be happy to help out with playground duties: (please tick)

Please tick in the box below which times you would be available to help and the school office will contact you regarding dates:

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|  | Morning Break | Lunchtime |
| Monday |  |  |
| Tuesday |  |  |
| Wednesday |  |  |
| Thursday |  |  |
| Friday |  |  |
| Ad-hoc days |  |  |

Name……………………………………………………………………………………………………..

Parent of……………………………………………………………………………………………….

Home Phone Number ………………………………………………………………….........

Mobile Phone Number ……………………………………………………………………….

Email Address …………………………………………………………………………………….

Parent/Guardian Signature………………………………………………………………Date………………………………………

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**Bikeability Training Session for Parents/Helpers**

I wish to attend the above Training Session on Wednesday, 7 September 2016 at 9.30 am in Kintore Primary School.

Name …………………………………………………………………………………………………….

Child’s Name………………………………………………………………………………………..Class……………………………………..

***(for passing information home only)***

Home Phone Number ………………………………………………………………….........

Mobile Phone Number ……………………………………………………………………….

Email Address …………………………………………………………………………………….

Signature………………………………………………………………Date………………………………………

Please tick against the cycling sessions you can help with:-

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Friday, 7 October 2016 10.35 am – 12.00 pm – ***TEST SESSION (MAY ALSO INCLUDE THE MORNING)***