

Kintore Primary School

Bulletin No. 8 – Session 2018-2019



Dear Parents/Guardians,

**Staff Update**

Congratulations to Miss Nicola Seivwright who has been identified as the preferred candidate for the post of Acting Principal Teacher at Kintore School. Miss Seivwright takes over from Mrs Paterson and will continue in an Acting capacity until Mrs Bain returns from Maternity Leave.

I am pleased to be able to announce further successful recruitment to teaching posts at Kintore School.

A preferred candidate was identified at recent interviews for the position of full-time class teacher. Furthermore, 2.4 Full-Time Equivalent teachers (3 teachers) will join Kintore School for the new session, 2019-2020. I will provide more details when the appropriate checks and procedures have been completed.

Mrs Jodi Wilson started as full-time teacher of P2K on Monday 15th April 2019 and Mr Craig Pirie started as full-time teacher of P5P on Monday 29th April 2019. Mrs Emma Noble started in her new position of part-time Additional Support for Learning (ASL) Teacher on Monday 15th April 2019. Furthermore, Mrs Kerry Robertson started in the position of part-time School Administrator on Tuesday 23rd April 2019. Mrs Robertson will be part of the team in the School Office on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons.

I trust the school community will join me in welcoming all new members of staff and wishing those taking on new roles at Kintore School well.

**P1 Classes 2019-2020**

Kintore School will welcome two Primary 1 classes for next session. P1K will have Mrs Russell as their teacher and P1S will have Mrs S Wilson as their teacher. Parents

have been notified of their child’s class and further transition arrangements individually.

**British Heart Foundation- My Marathon May 2019**

We are taking part in My Marathon for one of the school’s chosen charities for 2018-2019, the British Heart Foundation.

We will be walking, jogging or running 26.2 miles throughout May. We will do this through our Daily Mile activities within our normal school day.

Any donations would be most welcome and you can donate directly to the British Heart Foundation at <https://mymarathon19.everydayhero.com/uk/laura-russell>

Thanks to Mrs Russell for setting this up.

**Pupil Progress Reports**

If you have not already signed and returned your child’s Pupil Progress Report, we would appreciate you doing this as soon as possible. The class teacher will copy the signed report and return the original to you.

**Kintore Community Wellbeing Café**

Kintore School will host a Community Wellbeing Café on Wednesday 15th May 2019. The Café will be open from 2.30pm until 4.30pm and is a great opportunity for all to come along and visit the stalls from a wide range of wellbeing and community providers.

**Kintore School Early Years Centre- Extended Hours**

Kintore Early Years Centre (Nursery) will be trialling extended hours from Monday 13th May 2019 as we continue our preparations towards the Early Learning and Childcare 1140 Hours Expansion. Parents of nursery age pupils have been informed individually.

**Kintore School P7 Rotary Quiz Team**

Having won the local round, the P7 Rotary Quiz Team went through to compete in the North Aberdeenshire round on Saturday 27th April 2019.

The Team did fantastically well and came third after a nail-biting tie-break question that meant we lost out on going to the next round by half a point. Well done and thank you to Amelia Smith, Angus Watt, Isla McConnachie, Nicole Duncan and Robert Walker for representing Kintore School so well. Thank you to Miss Seivwright for her organisation of the team for each of the events.

**Summer Festival Art Competition**

Well done to Iona Loughray for having her Summer Festival art work selected for cover of the event programme. Congratulations also to Baraa Al Jomaa for coming in second place in the competition.

**Comic Relief- Red Nose Day 2019**

A huge well done and thank you to all pupils, staff and parents who helped support Red Nose Day 2019. Kintore School raised a fantastic £2226.37 for Comic Relief. Special thanks to the pupils and teachers of P1/2, P2K and P2S for their organisation of the fundraising events.

**Temporary Classroom (Hut) Removal**

It has been confirmed with the school that Hut 1 which currently provides temporary classroom facilities to P4K and P4P will be removed during the summer holidays. Planning for class composition and classroom allocation are already well underway to accommodate this change to the school estate.

**Dog Owners**

I have received an increased number of comments and concerns about dogs being present on school grounds during drop-off and collection times.

I would appreciate the support of all dog owners to ensure that dogs are not near the entrance or exit points from the school building or playground. I am very grateful to those who have shown consideration for all in securing their dog away from the school playground and school building entrance and exit points.

**M&M Productions- Alice in Wonderland**

M&M Productions will again be returning to Kintore School. In a change to the previously advertised date, this will now be on Friday 31st May 2019 and the performance will be Alice in Wonderland. Due to the changes, M&M Productions will also be providing a Drama Workshop to all P7 pupils following the performance to the whole school.

**Aberdeen Football Club Community Trust Training**

Kintore School is to be provided with a free day of Training from AFCCT as a prize for having had the most pupils and parents attend the recent Inverurie Community Day on Saturday 13 April where Inverurie Locos played Rothes FC.

**Request for Sports Day Helpers**

We are looking for parent/adult helpers to assist with various roles on our forthcoming Sports Day.  This involves jobs such as helping with team games, starting races, giving out stickers etc.

* Date – Friday 7th June (alternative date – Friday 14th June)
* Time – 9.00am – 11.30 am

Sports Day is one of the highlights of our year.  All Sports Day events take place on the field adjacent to the school, beside the all-weather pitch, so all we need to hope for is the sun to shine.  In the event of inclement weather, there is an alternate date arranged, as mentioned above.

We would be grateful for any help that you are able to offer.  Please could you fill in the slip below and return it to your child’s class teacher by **Friday 17th May 2019**.

**School Closures**

Find out first about school closures and transport changes. Sign up through myAberdeenshire [**www.Aberdeenshire.gov.uk/my**](http://www.Aberdeenshire.gov.uk/my), and download the free App now for iOS or Android.

**Active Schools**

There are a number of local sporting and general activity opportunities available in the network. There are currently spaces available for:

**Judo** - Mondays P1 – P3 (4pm – 4.45pm) P4 – P7 (4.45 pm – 5.45 pm) at Kemnay Academy.

**Tennis** - Monday, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at Kintore School for pupils P2 upwards. There is a waiting list in operation but worth being on it.

**Boxercise** – Morning Boxercise class for P6 – P7 pupils at Kintore School (8am – 8.45am). Small waiting list at the moment.

**Tennis**  - Cluster sessions available at Midmill school on Wednesdays P3-P4 (4.05 pm – 4.55pm), P5 – P7 ( 5.pm – 5.50 pm)

**Hip-Hop**  - Fridays at Kintore School P 5 – P7 (3pm – 4pm) and P2 – P 4 (4.15 pm – 5.15 pm). Spaces available in both session and cost is £20 for the block.

Please contact Lynsey, the Active Schools Co-ordinator on [lynsey.coutts@aberdeenshire.gov.uk](mailto:lynsey.coutts@aberdeenshire.gov.uk) if you are interested in any of these.

**Community News**

The Alcohol Drugs Partnership are wishing to revamp their strategy and want to get a real indication of how they can help communities, families and individuals with support, advertising and understand what issues are. If you are interested please complete the survey monkey below. It is totally confidential - no personal information requested - data goes direct to ADP.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/V5RP36X>

**3 Forums 1 Voice 2019**

On Saturday 18th May (9.30 am – 4 pm) the three community forums of the Aberdeenshire Alcohol and Drugs Partnership (ADP) are holding their annual 3 Forums 1 Voice event, a celebration of recovery and wellbeing, at Curl Aberdeen.

At this event they will showcase the work of the community forums and the progress made in building recovery communities. The day promises to be

inspirational, educational and fun, with speakers and presentations, workshops and creative activities.

**Police Scotland**

Police Scotland has advised that across the country young people are increasingly being asked by fraudsters to receive and send money through their own bank account, sometimes keeping some of the cash for themselves. This is commonly known as being a money mule. Being a money mule is illegal. More information and advice can be found by visiting [www.moneymules.co.uk](http://www.moneymules.co.uk) or contacting Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 1111 or Victim Support on 08 08 16 89 1111.

**Gray’s School of Art Short Course Provision**

There are currently various short courses, weekend courses and day courses on offer including a reintroduction of Young Artists 5 – 16 years workshops. A few flyers are available in the foyer or visit [www.rgu.ac.uk/shortcourses](http://www.rgu.ac.uk/shortcourses) for more information.

**Forthcoming Events**

Wednesday 1 May - P6P Café (am)

Thursday 2 May - P6S Café (am)

Friday 3 May - P3/4 Assembly

Wednesday 8 May - Nursery Parent Coffee (am & pm)

Friday 10 May - P1K Assembly

Tuesday 14 May - P2K Café

- PTA Meeting (evening)

Wednesday 15 May - P2S Café

Friday 17 May - P1P Assembly

Saturday 18 May - Football Tournament

Monday 20 May - Parent Council Meeting

Friday 24 May - P1S Assembly

Saturday 25May - Kintore Summer Festival

Wednesday 29 May - Nursery Parent Induction (Evening)

Friday 31 May - P1/2 Assembly

- Theatre Group Visit

**Holidays for 2018/2019 Session**

Monday 6 May 2019 - May Day Holiday

Monday 3 June 2019 - Occasional Holiday

Monday 8 July to

Monday 19 August 2019 - Summer Holidays



Mr Scott Anderson

**Head Teacher**

30 April 2019

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**Request for Sports Day Helpers Return Slip**

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Please tick date/s:

Friday 7th June

Friday 14th June

Name of child:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Class:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Contact number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*Please return this slip to your child’s class teacher by* ***Friday 17th May****.*