

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Staffing

Congratulations to Mrs Lyndsey Paterson who we recently appointed as the Acting Principal Teacher. Mrs Anna Cordiner will teach P6/7 on a Thursday to allow Lyndsey to carry out this cluster role.

Bikeability

In order to carry out training we do need as many volunteers as possible for this to go ahead and would appreciate your support. The training schedule is as follows:

Monday, 17 September 2018	Bicycle Check
Thursday, 20 September 2018	1.20pm - 2.45pm
Monday 24 September 2018	1.20pm - 2.45pm
Thursday 27 September 2018	1.20pm - 2.45pm
Friday 28 September 2018	1.20pm - 2.45pm
Monday, 1 October 2018	1.20pm - 2.45pm
Thursday, 4 October 2018	1.20pm - 2.45pm
Friday, 5 October 2018	1.20pm - 2.45pm
Monday, 8 October 2018	1.20pm - 2.45pm
Thursday, 11 October 2018	1.20pm - 2.45pm
Friday, 12 October 2018	Assessment

Parents do not have to have participated in the training to help out. The staff will keep you right.

School Photographs 20 & 21 September

The Tempest photographer will be in School on the above dates to take both family and individual photographs. Children are normally photographed in school uniform. Should they wish to change into an alternative outfit (no football strips) we have no problem, providing they are able to make the change themselves. We cannot guarantee actual times when photographs will take place.

PLEASE NOTE:-

Family Photographs - if all children are in School (Nursery - P7) we will work our way through these depending on Nursery sessions etc. **We will only take family photographs when requested to do so.** Please return the attached slip.

Family Photographs - children not yet in School/Nursery If you request this type of group you will be allocated a broad time slot. Please be prepared to wait - infants don't always smile on cue! Again please return the attached slip.

Individual Photographs - as we work a proof system it is much easier to take photographs of all children. If you really don't want this please let us know in writing.

School Fundraiser - Christmas Cards

Children will shortly begin work on their cards and the time schedule is as follows:

- Card designs and order forms sent home by Friday 28 September
- Card designs to be returned to school by Friday 5 October at the latest
- School to forward designs to the printer on Thursday 12 October

As per last year you will be asked to order on-line the number of cards and gift tag packs you require. Details of how to do this will be on each art work form. Should this be difficult for you we can certainly help - please do not hesitate to ask.

Parent Evenings

Our parent/pupil/teacher learning conversations will take place as follows:

- Tuesday 2 October 3.30 pm - 6.00 pm
- Thursday 4 October 6.00 pm - 9.00 pm

We will soon be allocating family times so please let us know, in writing, of any preference you may have as soon as possible. Support staff will attend some interviews alongside the class teacher but will be unable to attend all.

Nursery Parent Interviews

These are often held during the day with some options available should an evening interview suit you best. Please check the Nursery information boards for sign-up opportunities.

Bike Stands

Over the next few weeks whilst Bikeability is going on space will be limited around the bike stands. Younger children with smaller bikes might find a space beside the Nursery. Please do not attach bikes to trees or other fences around the school.

Community News

Garioch Amateur Swimming Club

Garioch Amateur Swimming Club (home club of Olympic Athlete and Commonwealth Gold Medallist Hannah Miley) has vacancies for new members in their Swimming Development Sessions in the 6 - 11 year old range.

Trails will be held on Saturday 29 September 2018 at 3.30 pm at Inverurie Swimming Centre.

Applicants should be confident in the water without flotation aids and be able to perform at least:

- 1 length (25m) each of front crawl, backstroke and breaststroke for 7-8 year olds
- 2 lengths (50m) for 9-10 year olds
- 4 lengths (100m) for 11 year olds.
- Applicants should have completed Level 5 swimming lessons or equivalent.

SCILL - Supporting Children in Learning for Life

On 1 October Gillian Archibald, advanced Dietician, will be talking about strategies for coping with fussy eaters and reducing the stress of eating.

The parent support session will take place at 9.30 am till 11.30 am in Activity Room 1, Hill of

Banchory Community Education, Firbrae, Banchory, AB31 5ZT.

If you have any particular areas that you would like Gillian to cover, please email admin@scill-aberdeenshire.org.uk by 25 September.

Gillian's talk will be followed by a monthly support session for anyone who would like to share their experience of caring for children with additional support needs. SCILL Library will be available to browse and borrow. Refreshments will be provided.

Exploring the Microscopic Ocean

A workshop for 8-12 year olds, Wednesday 17 October 2018, 10.30am-12 noon

Join microscope expert Dee Lawlor to explore the ocean and find out how real scientists make incredible discoveries. Using our microscopes we will discover how the tiniest organisms make big impacts.

This fun and hands-on October holiday workshop takes place at Aberdeen Maritime Museum. £5+booking fee per child.

There are 3 free creative sessions to get involved in featuring Halloween crafts and games, museum object handling and wind and rain themed activities. Suitable for all primary aged children.

For full details and tickets please visit: www.aagm.co.uk/whatson.

Forthcoming Events

Tuesday 18 September	- PTA Meeting (Evening)
Thursday 20 September	- Tempest Photographer
Friday 21 September	- Tempest Photographer - P6P Assembly
Tuesday 25 September	- P7S Caf�
Wednesday 26 September	- P7K Caf�
Thursday 27 September	- P6/7 Caf�
Friday 28 September	- P6S Assembly - PTA Quiz Night

OCTOBER

Monday 29 October - Term 2 begins

- Wednesday 31 October - Nursery Halloween
- NOVEMBER**
- Friday 2 November - Assembly-Rev Neil Meyer
- Tuesday 6 November - PTA Meeting (Evening)
- Wednesday 7 November - Nursery Parent Coffee (am & pm)
- Friday 9 November - P6/7 Assembly
- PTA Disco
- Monday 12 November - In-Service
- Tuesday 13 November - In-Services
- Friday 16 November - P4P Assembly
- Monday 19 November - Parent Council Meeting (Evening)
- Flu Immunisation begins
- Tuesday 20 November - Nursery Cafes (am &pm)
- Wednesday 21 November - Nursery Cafes (am &pm)
- P2-7 Curricular Evening
- Friday 23 November - P4S Assembly
- P1 Book Event
- Tuesday 27 November - P3K Cafe (am)
- PTA Meeting (Evening)
- Wednesday 28 November - P3S Café (am)
- Friday 30 November - P4K Assembly
- St Andrew's Day Ceilidh (nursery)

DECEMBER


- Tuesday 4 December - P5K Café (am)
- Wednesday 5 December - P5P Café (am)
- Early Years Parent Coffee (am & pm)
- Nursery Open Night
- Thursday 6 December - P5S Café (am)
- Thursday 13 December - P2 Nativities (am)
- Thursday 13 December - Nursery Christmas Event (Session 1)
- Friday 14 December - Nursery Christmas Event (Session 2)
- P1 Christmas Singalong (pm)
- Monday 17 December - P6 & P7 Christmas Party

- Tuesday 18 December - P5 Christmas Party
- Wednesday 19 December - P3 & P4 Christmas Party
- Thursday 20 December - P1 & P2 Christmas Party
- Friday 21 December - Church Services
- Nursery Parties
- End of Term 2

Holidays for 2018/2019 Session

- Monday 15 October to - School Holidays
- Friday 26 October 2018
- Monday 24 December to - Christmas Holidays
- Friday 4 January 2019


 Tracey Michie
 14 September 2018


 Hayley Williams

Parent/Guardian Comments

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SCHOOL



Reach for the Stars





School Photographs - Thursday 20 September and Friday 21 September 2018

Please detail any **family** requirements below (Individual Photographs will be taken automatically - unless you advise us otherwise)

****NB We will only take family photographs when requested to do so ie by completing the slip below****

Name	Class	Nursery Session 1 or 2	Pre-Nursery



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