

Dear Parents

I thought it would be helpful to give you a quick update on school information before we close for the school holidays at the end of next week. The children are having an enjoyable and productive end to the term through the activities and experiences planned for them, and we are certainly ending the session on a high note.

Dalguise Residential Trip

The children had a fantastic time on their trip to Dalguise and worked hard on the challenges they were set including kayaking, cycling and climbing. I also heard about a spectacular staff and pupil water fight where the teachers were definitely the winners!



Theatre Modo

The Circus Workshops were also a great success with the children, who can now juggle and spin plates like professionals. Thank you to the Parent Council for organising and helping to pay for this. Thanks also to everyone who helped with the coffee afternoon following the Theatre Modo performance – your help, donations and baking are very much appreciated.



School Concert Donations

Thank you for all of your donations at our school concert this month. The total raised was £209.42. We plan to make a donation from this of £100 to the Royal National Lifeboat Institution and to buy a new camera for the children with the remainder.

Staffing for next session

Our new teacher for P2/3, Miss Le Quesne, has already been for a tour around the school and will be coming in on Friday 28th June to meet the children in her new class.

Talent Show

The Pupil Council are organising a school Talent Show on the afternoon of Wednesday 3rd July. All children can take part if they wish and there will be an opportunity for prize winners to earn House Points.

UNICEF Day for Change

The school Citizenship Group is organising an event to support UNICEF's Day for Change, which has a focus on hunger this year. The group is planning activities linked to this theme on the morning of Thursday 4th July. The children can come along to the library and try out the activities and are asked to please bring a donation for UNICEF.

End of Term School Assembly

The end of term assembly will be led by our Primary 7 children, who are leaving us to move on to Ellon Academy. This will take place on the last day of term, Friday 5th July at 1.45pm. Again, all parents, family and friends are most welcome to join us.

Parent Feedback Questionnaires

There has been a disappointing response to the Parent Questionnaire sent out earlier this month as we have only had six forms returned! We really need and appreciate your feedback on what we are doing well and areas that we can develop or improve on in the school. This helps us to provide the best education that we can for the children. Forms can be sent to school with the children to place in the box outside the school office. If you need another form, please let us know. I would really appreciate it if you could find time to give us your views. Many thanks for your support.

Aberdeenshire Council Enhanced Provision Plan

You may recall that a letter to parents was sent home earlier this month regarding meetings to inform parents about Aberdeenshire Council's plans for School Enhanced Provision. This refers to special schools, developmental nurseries, learning centres, units and bases. Parents are now being asked to give their feedback on the proposals using a link to a survey monkey, as follows:

<https://surveymonkey.com/s/R9LNLYR>

Calendar Dates

The last day of term is Friday 5th July, when the school closes for the summer holidays. The first day of term for the new session is Tuesday 20th August for pupils. School staff return on Monday 19th August, which is an In-service day.

If you would like more information on any of the above, or if there is any other matter that you would like to discuss with me, please do not hesitate to contact me in school.

Wherever and however you spend your summer, I hope that you all enjoy some lovely family time with the children over the school holidays

Kind regards

Sandra Masson
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