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September Newsletter



We have now been back in school for a few weeks and are all familiar with the new routines that keep us safe. This means that we can now really focus on our learning.

Welcome

We welcome Blair Farquharson who has joined us as our new school cook and also Zara Brown into P7.

Roles and Responsibilities

We are happy to announce our **House Captains** for the year -

Rowan – Zara Brown

Hawthorn – Fraser Banks

Willow – Oliver Hastie

Who are looking forward to leading their House and organising fun events for the whole school to take part in.

Our **Junior Road Safety Officers** are - Jaryn Johnstone, Saskia Ashby, Dougal Howlett

Who will take the lead on our Road Safety Assemblies and run many competitions throughout the year to raise everyone's awareness of road safety.



Gardening

We have been making the most of the nice weather and have spent some time getting all our planters ready for next year as they had been a little neglected with school being closed from March. We got all the weeds out and planted some bulbs which we hope will look lovely next spring.

Loose Parts Play

We are keen to develop our loose parts play outside and have a fantastic setting to do just that. It's amazing what a bit of imagination and some log pieces can create. Over the next few weeks we hope to add to our loose parts and get even more creative at playtime.



COVID 19

A reminder that if your child or anyone in your household shows any symptoms of Covid 19 they should contact nhs 24 for advice on how to access a test.

<https://www.nhsinform.scot/> Symptoms include any one of the following; a temperature, new cough and or a loss of taste or smell.

To book a test contact: <http://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

If anyone in your household does have a test please let the school know and advise us of the result asap.

Reminder: If you child has been vomiting or has had diarrhoea, they must stay off school for 48 hours after their last incident.

IPads

It is very important that ipads are brought into school every day and charged. These are used regularly in lessons.

P4 and P5 will be receiving their ipads around October time.

Please remember to send children to school with a water bottle and a suitable coat now that the weather is getting colder.

PE

Children will be having PE lessons on Monday afternoons and Friday mornings. Please remember to make sure that your child comes in dressed for PE on these days.

Parent Council 50/50 Lottery

Reminder, you still have until Friday 18th September to get your name in the draw. Entries are unlimited. The more entries in, the bigger the prize money and the more money the school will receive.

Nametags

Please remember if you order nametags through this website to quote the schools ID number which is: 30388

www.mynametags.com

Xpressions App

A reminder to download this app if you have not already done so.

Reminders:

We are still collecting milk bottle tops for cancer research and empty crisp packets for the school, so please keep sending these in.

Parent Council

Next meeting TBA.

Autumn term

Due to national guidance all schools resume on Tuesday 11 August 2020. As a result, the 2021 Summer holidays will start a week earlier, on 23 June.

- Monday 10 August - Staff in service day
- Tuesday 11 August - All resume
- Friday 9 Oct 2020 - Last day for pupils and staff - mid term holiday
- Monday 19 Oct 2020 - All resume
- Thursday 12 Nov 2020 - Staff in service day
- Friday 13 Nov 2020 - Staff in service day
- Monday 30 Nov 2020 - St Andrew's Day holiday, school closed
- Friday 18 Dec 2020 - Last day of term for pupils and staff

Winter term

- Tuesday 5 Jan 2021 - All resume
- Thursday 11 Feb 2021 - Last day for pupils - February holiday
- Friday 12 Feb 2021 - Staff in service day
- Wednesday 17 Feb 2021 - All resume
- Thursday 1 Apr 2021 - Last day of term for pupils and staff

Summer term

- Monday 19 Apr 2021 - All resume (Good Friday falls within Spring break)
- Friday 30 Apr 2021 - Staff in service day
- Monday 3 May 2021 - May Day holiday, school closed
- Wednesday 23 Jun 2021 - Last day of term for pupils and staff

Casual holidays

Each [learning community](#) allocates 2 casual holidays for pupils and staff which are usually aligned to their local festivals.

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- Monday 19 Oct 2020
- Wednesday 17 Feb 2021

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