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APRIL 2018

Dear RDM Family,

I'm hoping that you all had a lovely Easter break. We are looking forward to term 4 at RDM and all of the lovely weather we are hearing about on the news! Included in this newsletter are important dates for the term ahead and a celebration of some BRAW news from Term 3 at RDM.



HMIE REPORT

As you are aware, we were visited by HMIE Inspectors last term. I'm pleased to let you know that the report for this inspection will be available on Tuesday 24th April 2018 from www.education.gov.scot.

CLUBS TERM 4

Year group	Activity	Day/Time	Person to contact	Location
Monday				
P6/7	Aerobics	12:35-1:05pm	Miss Mitchell	Gym Hall
P3/4	DIY Club	1-1:30pm	Mr Boyd and pupil leaders	P5/6 classroom
P5/6	Friendship Club	12:35-1pm	Mrs Burke	Sensory room
P2/3	Theatre Club	1-1:30pm	Miss Rose and pupil leaders	Music Room
P4/5/6	Card Games	1-1:35pm	Mrs Elder/Mrs Aitchison	Treasure Trove
P1-3	Gardening club	3:20-4:20pm	Miss Creamer/ Mrs King	Outside
Tuesday				
P2/3	Highland dancing	1-1:30pm	Miss Creamer and pupil leaders	Gym Hall
P1	Drama Club	1-1:30pm	Teacher (tbc) and Pupil leaders	Music Room
P4	Animation Club	1:05-1:35pm	Mr Foley and pupil leaders	P4a classroom
P4/5/6	Science Club	1-1:35pm	Mrs Elder/ Mrs Aitchison	Treasure Trove
Wednesday				
P3	Dance Club	1-1:30pm	Mrs Hunter-Bell	Gym Hall (starts 2 nd May)
P1-7	Emotion Express	1:15-1:30pm	Playground assistants/pupil leaders	Buddy stops / wildlife garden
P2	Art Club	1-1:35pm	Miss Boyd/ pupil leaders	Classroom
P4/5/6	Relaxation Club	1-1:35pm	Mrs Elder/ Mrs Aitchison	Treasure Trove
P1	Football Club	3:30-4:30pm	Mr Lackie (Scone Thistle) and Mr	Outside

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Thursday				
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P4/5	Global Citizenship	1:05-1:35pm	Mr Foley/Miss Boyd	P4a classroom
P1	Fun and games club	1-1:30pm	Playground assistants/ pupil leaders	Outside
P4/5/6	Art Club	1-1:35pm	Mrs Elder/ Mrs Aitchison	Treasure Trove
P6/7	Netball	1:05-1:35pm	Mrs Bell and pupil leaders	Gym Hall
P5	Canoeing Club	4:15-5:15pm	Mrs Pattinson/ Mrs Bell	Strathallan Canoe Club
Friday				
P4 and P6	Team games/exercises	12:35-1:05pm	Mr Barwick and pupil leaders	Gym Hall
P5	Drama and dance	12:35-1:05pm	Teacher (tbc) and Pupil leaders	Music Room
P4/5/6	Board Games	1-1:35pm	Mrs Elder/Mrs Aitchison	Treasure Trove



SCHOOL CROSSING PATROLLER

I am delighted that Tayside Contracts have been able to appoint a new crossing patroller – Constance Comer. Many of you will already know Constance and we welcome her to the team at RDM. I have been asked to advise you from Tayside Contracts that due to Health and Safety reasons the crossing patroller is allowed to cross at a maximum of 2 points.

These are –

1. Stormont Road: from the school to the park
2. Abbey Road: from the park across to the Spar side.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

RDM are now offering an online school uniform ordering service. This can be found at www.beschoolwear.co.uk – we have added this to the information tab on our App for easy access.

All items of uniform can be ordered from this company, and the uniform ordered is the same brand to the items we currently have.

All items can be paid for online and delivered straight to your door.

Items listed are not compulsory, apart from School Jumpers and book bags.

Other items can still be purchased elsewhere. However, the polo shirts and jackets do have the RDM logo on them and there is also a gym bag option available which lets you purchase a bag, shorts and a t shirt all in one!



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We are also encouraging parents to purchase a t shirt in your child's house colour so this can be used throughout their time at RDM for all house events. Please note that uniform will no longer be available to purchase from the school office. School ties can be purchased from Aitkin and Niven in Perth. Should you experience any problems with this, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

PARENTPAY

We are being encouraged to become cashless at RDM. Therefore, if you are not yet signed up to ParentPay – please do contact the office who will be happy to assist you with this. Parent pay will allow you to pay for any school related items through a secure website.

DINNER HALL

Following updated guidance during our inspection visit. Packed lunches and school dinners will now sit mixed in our Dinner Hall. This will allow classes and year groups to enjoy lunch together. We would remind all parents that we do have children with allergies and peanut products should be avoided as snacks and in lunch boxes.

PARKING / Walking to School



We appreciate that parking in and around RDM at drop off and pick up can become congested. We would ask that when parking consideration is given to local residents who need to be able to access their property.

This term our JRSO representatives are encouraging all pupils to participate in the 'Living Streets' Walk to School campaign.

From the beginning of the term your child will have the opportunity to take part in this initiative led by the Junior Road Safety Officers. Please do consider if you are able to walk to school or park a little further away and walk to school. Parking is additionally available at the Wheel Inn, with a short walk then to school.

Pupils will log their daily journeys to school each day using a Travel Tracker and earn reward badges for doing so. Thousands of schools around the UK participate in this programme and around one million pupils are enjoying the benefits of walking to school across the UK. If you have any questions about the programme, please visit: www.livingstreets.scot

Let's swap those school runs for school walks!

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SPORTS DAY

Sports Day is an important event in our Term 4 Calendar. This year it will be held (weather permitting) on **MONDAY 28th May 2018**.

Timings for this are as follows:

Infant Sports (P1-3): 9.30am

Upper Sports (P4-7): 1.35pm

We are encouraging all pupils to wear a t-shirt in their house colour. As a reminder these are:

Bonhard – Yellow

Stormont - Green

Mansfield – Blue

Douglas – Red



Nursery Sports will be held on: Wednesday 23rd May – 11am and 2.15pm

SPORTING NEWS SPORTS COMMITTEE UPDATE by ***Maddison Brand P6***

Last term children from RDM represented our school in many different school sport competitions.

Netball

Our P7 mixed netball team played in the P & K Primary Schools Netball League. This took place at Bells Sports centre and the team played 4 matches against other schools. Over these matches they showed great determination and teamwork.



Football

RDM boys' football team took part in the Soccer 7s football festival at the North Inch Community Campus in January. They played several games against other schools and finished in second place! Very well done!

Cross Country

P6s and P7s took part in the P & K Primary Schools Cross Country event at Perth Racecourse. The team were fantastic and came back with lots of silverware! The results were:

Chaela Elder – P7 Girls champion

Nicole Lennon – P6 Girls 2nd Place



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Elise Brand – P6 Girls 3rd Place

P7 Boys overall team champions

P6 Girls Overall team Champions

Many of these athletes will be taking part in the Scottish Schools event in Kirkcaldy this weekend. We wish you lots of luck!

Creative Day of Dance



Many classes from RDM took part in the Creative Day of Dance at Perth Concert Hall. They worked hard to perfect their routines and performed with confidence on the day. Well done!

P1a, P1b and P1/2c performed 'Where are you?' from Moana

P5a performed 'Hold my Hand' by Jess Glynn

P7a and P7b performed a 60s inspired routine.

As a Sports Committee, we would like to recognise wider achievements in sport. Many of these are shared in class achievement time but we would like to go 'one step further' in celebrating those who have represented at regional (Tayside) or national (Scottish) level competition. We have created a 'Sporting Starts' wall where we can write about these achievements and display photographs. We have spoken in assembly to tell everyone about the wall, but would also like parents to encourage their children to come forward and tell us about their news if they have been a 'Sporting Star!'

Please keep following our sporting achievements Twitter using **#rdmschoolsport**

Introducing our Sports Captains



These Primary 7 pupils have been elected this week and will be supporting all of the different sporting events happening this term at RDM!

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PARENT COUNCIL – Next Event

As a reminder, The Parent Council has an email address that they can be contacted on: rdmparentcouncil@gmail.com

You can also follow them on Twitter [@RDMParentC](https://twitter.com/RDMParentC) and Facebook: [RDM Parent Council](https://www.facebook.com/RDMParentCouncil) –

These are the only OFFICIAL PAGES which link with the school.

The next meeting of the Parent Council will be on

MONDAY 21st MAY @7pm

*minutes from the March meeting are available on our APP and website.

This is a great opportunity to be part of consultations based around decisions for our school and to hear what is planned for the future.

KEY DATES– as highlighted in our APP:

Date	Event
23 rd April	Glee Competition - P7 Glee Group (pm) – Perth Concert Hall
26 th April	P6 and P7 Take your child to work day
30 th April	Enterprising Mathematics Challenge: Primary Day 2018 (a team of P6/7 pupils)
7 th May	May Bank Holiday – School closed
14 th May	P5 Parents – Living and Growing Talk – 6pm
17 th May	P7 Visit to Perth Academy – Cupcake competition / Library Visit
21 st May	Parent Council meeting 7pm
23 rd May	P7 Safe Taysiders Event
23 rd May	Nursery Sports
23 rd May	Day and Night science performance for P3 pupils
28 th May	School Sports
7 th June	P7 Parents Open Evening Perth Academy
14 th June	P1-6 'Moving Up Day' - new class
14 th June	P7 to Perth Academy
15 th June	P7 to Perth Academy
26 th June	Specialist Provision Open Afternoon
28 th June	School Closes for Summer 12 noon

Thank-you for your continued support,

Lynne Lambert

Mrs Lambert – Head Teacher

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