

## JANUARY 2018

Dear RDM Family,

Welcome to Term 3 at RDM. I'm delighted to hear about the many exciting learning opportunities planned across the school this term. ROADMAPS were issued at the end of last week – please do have a look at these to check what key learning is being undertaken and how you can support at home – if you have not received this, please do let us know. We have for reference also included the codes which link to the Experiences and Outcomes, should this be of interest to you.



### BRAW AWARDS

To celebrate the Year of Young People in Scotland (#YOYP2018) we have been thinking about all things BRAW! This year at RDM we will be working towards having a BRAW school with lots of BRAW things to celebrate! Look out for our BRAW awards which we will celebrate and present at assembly each week.

### SCOTS POETRY COMPETITION

This Friday we look forward to our annual Scot's poetry competition. The winners from each class will have an opportunity to perform at assembly on Friday this week. **Pupils are permitted to wear something TARTAN if they wish to do so.** We are looking forward to welcoming members from the Scone Seniors who will help judge our P6/7 contest.



### BIG TALK

This session at RDM we are working hard to improve standards of WRITING across our school. Recent training we undertook in November, highlighted the need for us to promote TALK in a much greater way across our school. As a staff team, we have decided to have different TALK themes each week at RDM – everyone will be encouraged to get on board with this! We will announce the theme in assembly on a Friday and tweet it out to our community – this will be accessible through the APP. Please help us by talking to your child / children about our TALK theme!



## **SCHOOL APP**

If you have not yet had an opportunity to download our new school APP, please do so. This can be downloaded on apple and android devices.

1. **Go to the app store**
2. **Search: PSA primaryschoolapp**
3. **Once you've opened the app just search for 'Robert Douglas Memorial School'**

Our App links to our twitter feed **@RDMScone** and we will keep updating and developing our use of this over time.

## **SCHOOL SPORTS AWARD**

This year we are working on the criteria to become a GOLD sporting school. Here Jack Adamson in P6 provides us with an update as to the work of the School Sport Committee.

*Last term, pupils in P4-6 and the AB, were elected to represent their class on the new School Sport Committee. The committee meets two times every term to discuss school sport and ways to increase participation in sports clubs and events. RDM has silver School Sport Award, this year we are working towards applying for our GOLD award. As well as putting forward lots of ideas, so far we have made a school and community sport noticeboard (outside the school office), have taken pictures of clubs to use as evidence for our School Sport Award and have carried out pupil surveys.*

*This term, there will be lots of sports clubs running, including a new Active Fun and Games club on a Thursday lunchtime, led by P6 helpers. The netball team will be taking part in matches in the Perth and Kinross Primary Schools Netball League. There are also tennis taster lessons available for P1-7, led by coaches from Scone Tennis Club.*

*If you have any suggestions or ideas about school sport at RDM, please put these in our suggestion folder on the School and Community Sport noticeboard.*



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## **CLUBS TERM 3 – Opportunities for Wider achievement**

Please find listed below the variety of Clubs we have on offer in Term 3. If your child would still like to participate in any of these – they should collect a permission slip for the adult leading these. There is a great variety here and we are grateful to all the staff who are supporting these.

<b>Year Group</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Person to contact</b>
<b>P 6/7</b>	<b>Aerobics</b>	Monday lunch time	Miss Mitchell
<b>P3</b>	<b>Scratch club (computer coding)</b>	Monday lunch time	Miss Whittle and pupils
<b>P5/6</b>	<b>Art Club</b>	Monday lunch time	Mrs McDonald
<b>P5/6</b>	<b>Friendship club</b>	Monday lunch time	Mrs Burke
<b>P7</b>	<b>Glee Choir</b>	Monday after school	Mrs Lambert, Miss Orr, Miss Whittle
<b>P5-7</b>	<b>Gymnastics</b>	Monday after school	Mrs Bell
<b>P4/5</b>	<b>Singing group</b>	Wednesday lunch time	Mrs Wilson and Miss Worner
<b>P2</b>	<b>Art Club</b>	Wednesday lunch time	Miss Boyd and Pupils
<b>P6</b>	<b>Homework Club</b>	Wednesday lunch time	Mrs Duff
<b>Invitation</b>	<b>Wind Band</b>	Wednesday lunch time	Mr McMullan
<b>P3/4</b>	<b>Tennis</b>	Wednesday after school	Scone Tennis Club Coach organised by After Schools co-ordinator.
<b>P6/7</b>	<b>Football</b>	Wednesday after school	Mr Barwick
<b>P7</b>	<b>Homework club</b>	Thursday lunch time	Miss Worner
<b>P1/2</b>	<b>Art Club</b>	Friday Lunchtime	Mrs Laughland
<b>P6/7</b>	<b>Cross Country</b>	Friday lunch time	Mrs Bell
<b>P6</b>	<b>Euroquiz</b>	Thursday lunchtime	Mr Boyd
<b>P4/5</b>	<b>Fair Trade</b>	Thursday Lunch time	Mr Foley, Miss Boyd
<b>P1-7</b>	<b>Science, Games and Card Games</b>	Daily lunch times	Mrs Elder/Mrs Aitchison

## SCHOOL FUND

As a school, we wish to thank-you again for all of your support in our fundraising events this session so far. From both the 'Bounceathon' and proceeds from tickets at our Christmas concerts – we have been able to do the following so far:

- ✓ Cater and provide food for every class at RDM for their Christmas party, including a special P7 party.
- ✓ Purchase ICT equipment – including projectors, 2 additional ipads and 20 x sets of headphones.
- ✓ Supplemented our reading material, to include more up to date novels in different stages of the school
- ✓ Supported more imaginative play in the infant department through the purchasing of new equipment
- ✓ Provided workshops for P6 pupils in African Drumming
- ✓ Purchased specific science equipment to enhance learning and teaching in our infant department
- ✓ Purchased additional sports equipment so support lunchtime clubs and opportunities for wider achievement
- ✓ Paid affiliation costs for RDM to participate in PKC and sporting events.

We will endeavour to be as transparent as possible with how we spend our school fund and will continue to consult with our staff and pupils on this.

## PARENT COUNCIL

As a reminder, The Parent Council has an email address that they can be contacted on:

[rmdprountcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:rmdprountcouncil@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

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January** 6.45 for 7.00pm in the P2/3 classroom.



# Robert Douglas Memorial School

*'Forward together in Learning'*



**KEY DATES for February – as highlighted in our APP:**

- **Nursery Registration – Week Beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> January – 9<sup>th</sup> February**
- **School is CLOSED to all pupils - Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February.**
- **School Photos, Families and Individuals. - Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February**

Thank-you for your continued support,

Mrs Lambert – Head Teacher

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