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Aberlour School News

October 2021 Newsletter

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents & Carers

Welcome To October's newsletter and Term 2, I trust all our families had a lovely holiday. Already the staff are busy preparing lessons, experiences and Christmas for the children, which due to continued Covid-19 restrictions will look different again this year. Classes are working on their personalised Christmas cards, crafts for sale and a class performance to include in an end of term whole school video. Please look out for order forms for cards and crafts.

This week we welcome Mrs Morgan to the Aberlour Staff team working alongside Mrs Cairns on a Thursday and Friday, as our Principal Teacher of Additional Support Needs. We wish her every success in her new post and I know she is looking forward to getting to know our families.

You will shortly be receiving from each of your child's class teachers their class's termly information sheets detailing what the children will be learning and some of the activities that they will be involved in, remember to follow us on twitter and Facebook to see first hand some of the learning happening across our classes at <https://www.facebook.com/AberlourPS> and <https://twitter.com/AberlourPS>.

Please do not forget that there are two In-service days this term as opposed to the one last year. The In-service days this term are on **Monday 15th and Tuesday 16th November** and school will be closed to pupils and parents and carers. For the teachers and support staff it is work as usual, with a packed schedule.

Thank you all for your continuing support this session. Looking forward to a fun filled term of learning – is that jingle bells I hear in the distance!

Mandy Macleod

Head Teacher

On behalf of Aberlour Primary School Community

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KINDNESS

PRIDE

BELONGING

ACHIEVEMENT



Elections were held at the end of last term for our House and Vice Captains.

Well done to everyone who stood for election and congratulations to this year's representatives.



Ospreys

House Captain
Vice Captain

Chloe Burr
Murray Cameron



Eagles

House Captain
Vice Captain

Amelie Spurrier
Ethan Walker



Falcons

House Captain
Vice Captain

Francie Meynell
Luke Reid



Harriers

House Captain
Vice Captain

Max Teunion
Harry Belton



CLOTHING

May we ask that pupils come to school prepared for changes in the weather i.e. appropriate jackets and footwear. The school does not supply jackets in inclement weather.



PE

Please can pupils wear PE clothing/shoes that is suitable for outdoor use.

We plan to continue to take PE lessons outside unless it is raining heavily

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Parent Council AGM Meeting

The next Parent Council meeting will be our AGM

Meetings are held on line via Zoom and the Parent Council are actively looking for new members 😊

Please contact the school if you would be interested in supporting the Parent Council admin.aberlourp@moray-edunet.gov.uk

Dear Parents/ Carers

To raise much needed funds for the school, The Parent Council are organising a Christmas Raffle.

In order to make this a success we would appreciate donations for the raffle, any kind of donation big or small will be appreciated. Donations could be anything, bottles, toiletries, homeware, or gifts.

It would be appreciated if donations could be handed into the school, this will enable us time to get them organised and advertised before the Christmas period.

Thank you in advance for your help. It is much appreciated by pupils and staff of the school, especially during this difficult period where we are extremely limited as to holding fundraising events.

Aberlour Primary Parent Council



Christmas Raffle



Please ensure you clearly label all of your child's belongings. This includes ALL their school uniform, shoes, PE kit, water bottle, bags, hats, scarves and gloves. Named items are normally returned to your child's classroom. Unnamed items are put into Lost Property.

Parents can ask the office if they wish to look for lost items. We will only keep items for a term after which any school uniform is donated to the school second hand stock to be resold and any other items are donated to charity.

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PLEASE

**NO PEANUTS
OR
NUT PRODUCTS**

We have pupils in school who suffer from different allergies including nuts.

Please could I take this opportunity to ask everyone to be mindful of this fact when providing your child with a packed lunch or break time snack.

In order to safeguard our pupils further, any child that brings in food with obvious signs of nuts, will be asked to NOT eat these in school but take them home.

As always we appreciate your continued support on this matter as we ensure the safety of all pupils in our care.

Homework is underway.

Please remember it is your responsibility as a parent/carer to encourage and support your child in completing the homework tasks set.

These tasks do reinforce learning and teaching and help with your child's progress.

Homework will be issued on a Monday by your child's class teacher on their class team.



STAY SAFE THIS BONFIRE NIGHT

- Follow the fireworks code
- Keep a safe distance
- Think of others
- Do not use fireworks before 6pm or after 11pm – It is now illegal

This extends to Midnight on the 5th November and 1am on Hogmanay, Chinese New Year and Diwali

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SCHOOL WEATHER & INFORMATION LINE

0870 054 9999

Enter Aberlour Primary School PIN number:
031080

Press 1 – to hear severe weather information

Press 2 – to leave a non-urgent message

Press 3 – to hear general school information

Press 4 – to enter a different school PIN number

Press # - to end call

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Dates for Your Diary 2020



Oct/Nov

Monday 25 th October	Start of Term
Friday 29 th October	Come as You Please Day  Donations in aid of School Funds
November 	Parent Council Meeting 6-7pm via Zoom Date TBC either 9th or 16th November
Monday 15 th November	School closed for In-Service
Tuesday 16 th November	School closed for In-Service
Friday 26 th November	Come As You Please Day  Donations of Chocolate in aid of the Chocolate Heaven Stall Fundariser

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Dec

Friday 3 rd December and Saturday 4 th December	Aberlour Christmas Market Please support our Parent Council Stall
Wednesday 15 th December	School Christmas Lunch - Christmas jumpers can be worn that day 😊  and On Line Panto in School 
Monday 20 th December	Christmas Parties – Come to school dressed in your party clothes 
Thursday 23 December	Term ends
Christmas holiday: Friday 24 December 2021 - Friday 07 January 2022 Spring Term starts: Monday 10 January 2022	

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