

Auchenblae School Newsletter

1st April 2016



I hope you all enjoyed the Easter weekend and have a relaxing break planned for the two week holiday. Let's hope the weather is kind to us and we can get outside and enjoy the amazing environment on our doorstep.

Nursery News

A big thank you to all the parents who came in to help in Nursery during this busy term. Your support for Sports Relief helped us raise £84.

Thank you to everyone who decorated an egg for our Easter display.

The children all enjoyed their trip to Glamis Castle. We had lots of fun and their behaviour was fantastic. We are looking forward to a busy fourth term with lots of transition activities and much more outdoor adventures.

Can I politely remind parents that Nursery pick up is at 12 O'clock. We have quite a short turn around for the afternoon nursery and while staff will always be available for a chat, we need to have time to get everything ready. Thank you for your understanding.

Staffing

We continue to work hard with Aberdeenshire Council to resolve staff recruitment issues but please be assured that children receiving quality learning and teaching within a safe and happy environment is paramount to every decision we make.

Nursery and P1/2 Trip to Glamis Castle

In the words of Maggie and Erin:

'First we got on a bus, it was quite short. Someone came to tell us about the castle. My favourite bit was the story about the Grey Lady. I liked the Queen's room. We had lunch outside and then we got to play on the playground before going home.'

All the children had a fantastic time and we would like to thank the parent helpers who came along.

Online Payment of School Lunches

Thank you to all those who have registered online for the payment of school lunches. We still have quite a number of families who haven't registered and it would be really appreciated if you could log in before the start of next term. This also applies to P1-3 parents.

Gordon Highlanders P5 – P7

P5/6 and P6/7 had a wonderful trip to the Gordon Highlanders and Maritime museum. We handled some interesting artefacts and equipment from WW1 and WW2 and listened to stories that helped enhance our learning about this topic. The museum near Hazelhead is highly recommended for a second visit as we didn't have time to see all the exhibits.

Sport Relief

We had fantastic running weather for our Sport Relief fun run this year. All the children looked fabulous in their costumes and we really appreciated the parents dressing up and helping us to make it a success. We raised £215 for Sports Relief! – Well done everyone.

Rotary Quiz

Well done to the five P7 girls who represented the school at the annual Rotary quiz, after a very strong start we hung on to claim second place. The girls were excellent advocates for the school and worked very well as a team.

Cross Country

Well done to our Cross Country runners who ran at a wet and muddy Denlethen woods race. It was great to see the boys and girls cheering each other on and showing great sportsmanship to the other runners. The next, and last, race is at Luthermuir where the children will receive medals and certificates.



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Dates for the diary:

Monday 18 th April	First day of term 4
Thursday 21 st April	P4 pupils swimming lessons at Stonehaven Leisure Centre for five weeks
Friday 22 nd April	Sportshall Cluster Badminton Festival at Mearns Academy Community Campus for five P3 and five P4 pupils
Monday 2 nd May	May Day - School closed
Wednesday 18 th May	Parents Evening 3.30pm – 5.30pm
Thursday 19 st May	Parents evening 5 00pm – 8.00pm
Sunday 22 nd May	Kids and Kites
Saturday 4 th June	Summer Fair
Tuesday 14 th – Friday 17 June	P6 and P7 pupil residential trip to Abernethy Outdoor Centre
Monday 20 th - Wednesday 22 nd June	P7 visit to Academy
Friday 1st July	Last day of term

Parent Council News

PC information

Football will start back after the Easter Break on Thursday 21st April on the school football pitch

P1 to P3 age group 4:30pm until 5:30pm

P4 to P7 year groups 5:30pm until 6:30pm

Due to numbers in the younger session we have moved a few P3s up into the later time slot.

Please follow the School Website for event dates

Next PC meeting 26th May 3:30pm School Hall



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