



First Class

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Primary 7 Enterprise Event

VALENTINE'S DISCO WEDNESDAY THE 11TH FEBRUARY 2015

TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE P7 TRIP TO LENDRICK MUIR



School Crossing Patrol

We are in the process of trying to re-evaluate the crossing patrol resource in Kinellar. We are very keen to have a crossing patrol for outside our school and we are in talks to try and achieve this. The safety of our pupils coming to and from school remains a top priority.

A survey of the site is due to take place and we hope that the crossing will be extra busy

to ensure we secure a lollipop person for our crossing. More information on the date of the survey to follow.

Library

We are grateful to Aberdeenshire Library Services who have supported us in creating a more effective Library space. We have two parents who have also supported us in this but we now need more of you to help us run the library to ensure the children get the most out of it. If you are willing to help please leave your name and number at the main office and we can put you on a rota to support classes.

Nursery

A big thank you to Mrs Clark and the team in the nursery. The SMT have been monitoring progress in the Nursery and we are pleased to report that the Nursery and children continue to grow and develop.

P1 Enrolment

We have had a steady flow of applicants and new families coming to register with us. We will continue to monitor the number of children starting with us in order to allocate our classes for 2015-16.

Parent Council

The Parent Council met this week and have allocated us some funds to buy some much needed equipment and resources for the school. In the next newsletter we will give you an update on what we intend to purchase. Please join us for our next Parent Council meeting on 25 March at 7 pm.

First Aid

As some of you will be aware this is our second year of rolling out our First Aid program again this year the children received First Aid training to enable them to deal with emergency situations. P5 were awarded Level 1 and P6 and P7 Level 2. Although this is an expensive resource, we think you will agree, that it is invaluable should we need to use it.



Lendrick Muir

We are now on the countdown to Lendrick Muir the P7 residential event. We were encouraged by the attendance of parents at the recent meeting and hope that the parents feel confident about their children being away from home for the week.

On a similar note, the meeting for the P7 trip next year will have to be rescheduled due to unforeseen circumstances. Watch this space for a new date.

Cyber Bullying

P7 will shortly be taking part in a session on Cyber Bullying and Internet Safety. Unfortunately this is something that has come up regularly in school and we want to ensure all our children are safe online.

Disco

You will all be delighted to hear that we have a school disco on Wednesday 11 February. The disco will take place in the school hall

P1-3 - 6-7.30 pm

P4-7 - 7.30-9 pm.

The school disco is a P7 enterprise to raise funds for the bus to Lendrick Muir. More details to follow but put the date in your diary.

Staffing

As some of you will be aware, Miss Finch is due another operation on her eyes. This will mean a period of time off work lying very still. For those of you who know Miss Finch, this may prove somewhat difficult. However, she will be under strict instructions to do as she is told and will hopefully be back with us after a few weeks.

Mrs Aspey (P5) and Mrs Sangster (Supply) will follow the plans she has left for P6/5.

In her absence Mrs Farquhar will take up her remit for upper stages, if you have anything you would like to discuss, please contact the class teacher first. If your matter is urgent or you

wish to discuss an aspect of your child's learning and development please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Farquhar directly.

Active Schools

This term we continue to have dancing on a Friday led by Young Leaders from the academy. Hip Hop on a Wednesday led by MC and netball on a Monday.

In school we have rugby for P6 and P6/5 and a 3 week block of Judo for P2.

Pupil Voice

The next issue of First Class will include a section called Pupil Voice this will involve views from the children themselves as well as interviews from staff members (should make interesting reading). We are looking forward to hearing what the children have to say.

Likewise, if parents have anything they would like to add to our newsletter. Please email the school office.

Community Café

P1S and P4M have their Community Café on Friday 23 January.

Please note that P1G and P4G Community Café has been moved to Friday 20 March. This change was made to allow staff to go to Lendrick Muir.

Community Afternoon

This will take place on the afternoon of Wednesday 21 January any parent helpers would be gratefully received.

Spanish Club

Spanish Club continues this term and Miss Farres Garcia is contemplating starting another after school club in Spanish – more details to follow.

A Night at the Ballet

We were delighted to see Taylor Munro P7 in the Scottish Ballet this week. We obviously celebrate all of children's achievements no matter how small but we were overwhelmed by Taylor's performance – we are very proud.

