



First Class

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HAPPY EASTER- ENJOY THE SPRING BREAK!

Calendar Amendment

Please note that Term 4 begins on Monday 20th April. Apologies for the error on the Calendar of Events.

Red Nose Day



We are still to total the money raised but we had a very successful day with a tuck shop and a 'dress as you please' day. Thank you for your donations – we will let you know how much we raised in the next newsletter.

New Arrival for Mrs Munro!

We are delighted to announce the early but safe arrival of Jake Munro (3lbs 11) a brother for Evie.



Come and Join our Team!

We currently have a vacancy for a school key holder and cleaner. I have attached the details. Let us know if you are interested.

Future Plans for the School Community

Many of you will be keen to hear how the plans for the new school are coming along. We have no significant news but we thought we would alert you to some recent planning proposals. Have a look on the Aberdeenshire website at the proposed Aberdeenshire Development Plan 2016. Click on the link and view the document.

http://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/planning/plans_policies/next_ldp.asp

I also believe there are two meetings planned for public consultation.

Westhill Community Church 23.04.15

Inverurie Town Hall 22.04.15

Both consultations are 1-7 pm

Progress Reports

The teachers have been very busy writing reports for all the children. The SMT are in the process of reviewing all the data and these are due to go out to parents after we return from our May holiday. As always, the reports should be shared with the children and

there is a form for the child and parent to fill out. In the past the response of parents and children on the feedback forms has been very minimal. Please take time to give detailed feedback as it helps us to form a picture of the child and parents views too.

Kinellar Nursery

We are very proud of our youngest members of our school community. The nursery received a glowing report from the Care Inspectorate recently. The team in the nursery are always committed to starting the pre-schoolers on their learning journey. Keep up the high standard everyone! The Daffodil Tea went down a treat with lots of lovely Easter Bonnets on show. Thank you to everyone for supporting this event.



picture of what our strengths and next steps are. We are always keen to hear how we can improve.....let us know!



Rugby for Primary 4 and 5

Next term, P4 and 5 will be involved in a block of Rugby. The rugby is non-contact and usually involves becoming very muddy. Outdoor kits will be required. The class teachers will fill you in on the details.



Teddy Swap

Well done to P1G and P4G. Their theme of 'Reduce, Reuse and Recycle' was put to good use at their well organised teddy swap. Hopefully the teddies are enjoying their new homes.



Here are some of the teddies waiting for new homes!



Holly delighted with her teddy.

Carnival of the animals!

We were treated to P3M's performance/interpretation of 'Carnival of the Animals.' Mr Ross and Mrs Morrison have been working on a collaborative project to improve the quality of music teaching in the school. We were all really impressed with the

level of concentration and musicality shown by the children. We are hoping to put a link to a clip of this in the next newsletter.



Primary 3 are hoping to develop their skills next term when they attend a special event- watch this space!

Oliver!

Well done to Primary 5. Lots of commitment shown in their recent production of Oliver. We were all amazed by the standard of the performance which delighted many families and friends. We would like to thank everyone involved.





Scooters

We will be raising money for some more scooter Pods as they have proved very popular at the front of the school. They are overflowing but with a few more we should be able to accommodate most of the scooters that arrive at school. The scooters stay out in the pods and are usually safe but if left out all night might be a temptation. We will try our best to bring them in at night but please remember to look after your scooters!



Community Café Efforts

Well done to P1M and P5M for hosting a very successful Healthy café. Thank you for your support in this. We raised £450. In addition to this, another £450 was raised when P1G and P4G hosted their café with an environmental

theme. Our plan is to discuss with the children the plans for the proceeds. The pupil council are due to meet very soon. Playground equipment and Excellence Time resources are high on the agenda I believe.

Guitar

There are spaces for guitar lessons after school. The lessons are 3.15-4.15 and are aimed at the P4-7 stages.

Please email James at

first-startguitar@hotmail.co.uk



After School Clubs

Our other clubs will continue. We will advertise these the first week back in Term 4.

Lendrick Muir

We can't praise the Primary 7 children and the Lendrick Muir/Kinellar staff enough. They had a fantastic week away and I hope you were all following the events on Twitter. The children certainly got value for money and although some of them found it hard to be away from home, they all enjoyed the activities and days out. Here are some of the highlights.

Shelter Building



Low Ropes



Archery



Scottish Parliament



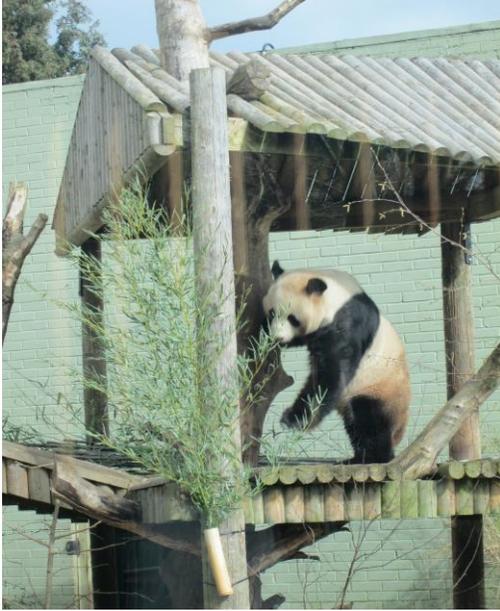
Trail bikes



Dynamic Earth



The pandas at Edinburgh Zoo



Bungee trampolines

