



# First Class

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## Break/Lunchtime Arrangements

Children are encouraged to enjoy the fresh air during lunch time and morning intervals. Whenever possible children will be outside at break times and lunchtimes, we therefore ask that children always come with suitable clothing for outside play.

## Scottish Schools Soccer 7s Tournament

Well done to our ten P7 pupils who were chosen by their coaches to represent Kinellar School at the Scottish Schools Soccer 7s tournament last week. A big thank you to Simon McKenzie, Ivor Stewart and Ben Page who transported the boys to and from the tournament and supported them there.



## Open Day

Thank you all those who attended our Open Day on Saturday and to the Parent Council who provided teas and coffees. It was brilliant to see so many people and hear so many stories about our school.

## First Day at Midmill

We are really looking forward to welcoming you all to Midmill on Friday 18 November. Please follow the guidelines you have been sent regarding school transport.

If you are driving your own child to school and picking them up, please ensure you use the drop off and pick up zone. There are no pavements in the car park so pupils should not be dropped off there.

## Escort Vacancies

The advert for the role of bus Escorts has now been published. If you would be interested in applying for this, please click [here](#).

## Flu Vaccines

We apologise for confusion caused regarding Flu vaccines. These will be held in Midmill School on 7 and 8 December.

Any change of consent from parents regarding flu vaccinations must be in written form otherwise the previous consent will take precedence.

### **Parent Meetings**

You should have received a letter this week about our upcoming Parent Meetings. Please sign up to a time to meet with class teachers. If you have more than one child please ensure you have a 10 minute gap between appointments.

### **Lost Property**

We have a huge amount of lost property in school. This will be displayed by the Parent Council during the Parent Meetings on the 24 November and 1 December. Any clothing not collected by this point will be put in the Rag Bag.

### **School Uniform**

There will be a stall selling school uniform at Parent's evening on 24 Nov and 1 Dec in Midmill School.

### **P1-3 Nativity**

Pupils from P1-3 will be performing in the Nativity on Monday 19 December at Midmill School. There were be two performances and we will be issuing more details in the coming weeks.

### **Night at the Musicals**

Pupils from P4-7 will be putting on a show 'A Night at the Musicals' on Thursday 15 December at Midmill Primary. There were be two performances and we will be issuing more details in the coming weeks.

### **Disco**

The Parent Council are organising our Christmas Disco for Friday 9 December at Midmill Primary. In order for this to go ahead they need some parent helpers. If you are able to help please email the Parent Council [kinellarschoolparentcouncil@yahoo.com](mailto:kinellarschoolparentcouncil@yahoo.com).

The Disco will be from 6.00-7.15pm for P1-3 and from 7.45-9.00pm for P4-7. We will be issuing tickets for this at a cost of £3 per child.

There will also be a tuck shop which your child may want to bring some money for.

### **Communication**

On Friday 11 November our server will be down from 11am onwards. We will then only be able to use phone lines.

From Friday 18 November our address and phone number will be:

**Kinellar School  
c/o Midmill School  
Carnie Road  
Kintore  
Inverurie  
AB51 0QH**

**01224 472888**

### **Dates**

<b>14 Nov</b>	Inservice
<b>15 Nov</b>	Inservice
<b>16 Nov</b>	School Closed for Move
<b>17 Nov</b>	School Closed for Move
<b>18 Nov</b>	First Day at Midmill
<b>24 Nov</b>	Parents Night
<b>1 Dec</b>	Parents Night
<b>7-8 Dec</b>	Flu Vaccines

As always if there is anything we can help you with, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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## Kinellar School Parent Council Update

We recently announced that Maddie Caldwell was the winner of the logo design competition for the Kinellar School Parent Council and we are very pleased to include it in the newsletter for the first time. Prizes are on their way!

The School held a very successful Community Open Morning last Saturday and we wanted to thank the School for letting us be part of a great event.

We held our last Parent Council meeting at Kinellar for some time on Wednesday November 9th (the minutes are available on the website). It was a very productive and informative meeting with good discussions about current issues. We also used the meeting to finalise arrangements for our Christmas events. We are very pleased to be running Elf Shelf from Midmill this year. It will be open from 1pm on Monday December 5th through to 12noon on Thursday December 8th. Elf Shelf is only open during the School day. There will be opportunities for each class to wander through Elf Shelf and let the kids spend some hard-earned pocket money on loved ones.

Following Elf Shelf and as previously announced there will be a Christmas Disco on Friday December 9th. The Parent Council will be attendance but as mentioned earlier in the newsletter we will need additional Parent volunteers and we look forward to hearing from you.

At our AGM in September we, as a Parent Council, committed to consult with the wider Parent community on how we communicate and engage with you. Our Facebook page is very popular but we realise not everyone has access to Facebook and just recently we have been given access to a page on the School website which allows you to view minutes from previous meetings and other relevant documents. However we are very keen to get your direct feedback on how we communicate

and have prepared a very brief Survey Monkey. The link is below and will not take long to complete and submit -

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/FKGR726>

We will share the results of the survey with you in due course.

Finally we look forward to your continued support as we move our events to Midmill. All of the Parent Council are excited about the move to Midmill and the facilities now available to us to run our events. It gives us a taster of what we can expect with the new Kinellar Primary School.

Please continue to contact us on our Facebook page or at [kinellarschoolparentcouncil@yahoo.com](mailto:kinellarschoolparentcouncil@yahoo.com)

p.s. Remember your bus passes next Friday!

