



# First Class

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Honesty

Respect

Happiness

Achievement

## Kinellar School Garden

### KINELLAR SCHOOL Garden Fund



Every little helps!



**291 FAMILIES**  
In Kinellar School



**£3.43**

The cost of a coffee or ice cream



**£998.18**

towards our new garden

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## Feedback Please!

We would value your feedback on how we can increase the level of engagement with the First Class Newsletter. Please click [here](#) to help us make improvements.



## Decider Skills



### **It will pass**

At our assembly this week are learning about the Decider Skill 'It Will Pass'.



This likens distressing situations to passing through a long tunnel. Keep going, it will pass.

## In Service Days

Remember that school will be closed to pupils on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> and Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November for in-service training.

## Flu Vaccines

Flu vaccines will be taking place in school on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> November.

Thank you to everyone who has returned the consent form. If you no longer want your child to have the flu vaccine or if they have already received it from their GP, please let us know in writing by Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November.

## Staffing

Welcome to Mr Mark McConnachie who will be joining the team on 18<sup>th</sup> November to teach P7L!  
Mrs Sharon Driver and Mrs Laura Allen will be covering some of our teacher non class contact time this term.

## Contact Us

Parents should only come to the front door and office if they have a previously arranged an appointment. If you have any questions, please email or call a member of the admin team.

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As ever if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact us below.

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## School Day timings

Now that we have reverted to a 9am start we expect all pupils to be ready to come in to school when the doors are opened. Pupils who enter school after 9am will be marked as 'late' and should come in via the main entrance rather than the classroom doors downstairs.

## NHS Inform

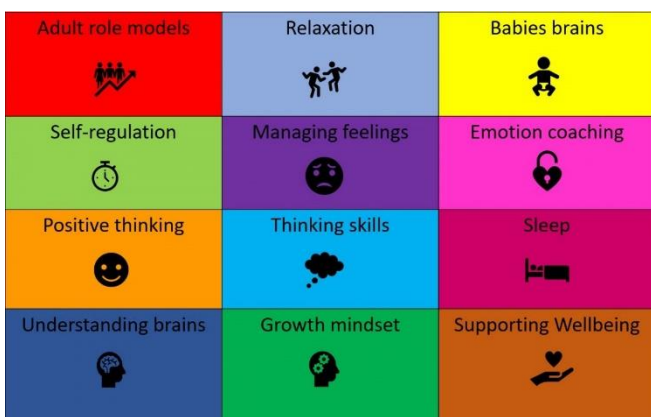


Click [here](#) to access the NHS self help guide to find out the testing and isolation guidelines for your specific circumstances.

## Class Newsletters

You should receive your child's class newsletter this week. Please ensure you read this for updates specific to individual classes.

## Family Information



Aberdeen Educational Psychology Service have developed a helpful suite of leaflets for families on the topics above. We will include one of these in the next few newsletters.

Please click below:

[How to be a Positive Role Model](#)

## Christmas Events

We are reluctant to mention Christmas quite so early however, we want parents to be aware of some of our plans for the festive period. We will not be having class parties this year, but rather holding a variety of different activities and events over the last few weeks of term.



We are excited for the return of **Elf Shelf** again this year. This is an opportunity for pupils to do some Christmas shopping here in school. This will take place during week beginning 6<sup>th</sup> Dec, further communication will follow from KSPC.



**Christmas Jumper Day** will take place on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December and money raised will be for Save the Children



**Christmas Lunch** will also take place on this day. These will be ordered via Microsoft Forms again this year and will be communicated shortly.



We are delighted that M&M Productions will be returning this year for our **Pantomime** on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> December. They will be performing Beauty and the Beast.



We will be running our gift collection for **VSA Giving Appeal** again this year. We are always so proud of our school community in the kindness shown via this initiative. More information to follow. Last year pupils also wrote **letters and Christmas cards** to vulnerable and lonely people associated with VSA. These were greatly appreciated and we received some lovely feedback so we plan to continue this.

We plan to hold a **Christmas activity day** where every class will be involved in various challenges and problem solving tasks with a Christmas theme. Teachers have also been given a budget to purchase a **Christmas craft** to complete with their classes.

Finally, a quick reminder that pupils are encouraged to send 1 Christmas card to their whole class rather than to individuals.

