



First Class

March 2023

Honesty

Respect

Happiness

Achievement

Well, it certainly seems like Spring is in the air. We hope you all had a lovely midterm break and enjoyed the sunshine.

Thank you for all your donations for Miss Singer's bench. We have raised over £600 which is amazing, and we are currently looking at our options and hoping to get a plaque ordered too.

Ongoing Strike Action

The EIS have announced the next set of strike dates to be on 22nd and 23rd March. This is subject to change depending on the ongoing negotiations. However, the Night at the Musicals performance for P4-7 will now be on **Wednesday 29th March**. We are currently looking into arrangements for the P6 trip to HMT which is organised for 23rd March.

Parental Portal – Prize Draw

We will soon be holding a prize draw for all families who have signed up to Parents Portal. If you have not done so yet, please see the information in Newsletter Issue 96 [here](#).

[parentsportal.scot](https://www.parentsportal.scot)

P4-7 Rugby

Active Schools will be delivering rugby sessions for Primary 4-7s these will be taking place outside on the field so please ensure your child comes dressed appropriately in their PE school uniform. It might be a good idea to bring a spare pair of socks and shoes in case their feet get wet and muddy.

Mondays P6K P6S P7S P7K P5S

Thursdays P4S P5K P4K

Night At the Musicals



More information will follow soon about how to purchase tickets. There will only be availability for 2 per family and choice of performance will be allocated on a first come, first serve basis.

Students

P2K will have a university student, Miss Edwards, working with them this term. They have also enjoyed having Dionne Ray, a former Kinellar pupil, in their class 1 morning per week as part of her Foundation Apprenticeship which she is completing through Inverurie Academy.

KSPC

Thank you to KSPC for their continued support in fundraising for the school and their commitment to using this money effectively. Of course, this is only possible because of the donations from parents across the whole school.

So far this session, they have funded the following:

- Upper Stages Play Resources
- A digital piano for the school
- Seasons for Growth Resources
- Belief and Equality Resources
- Contribution towards Lendrick Muir transport
- £100 per class for trips

We are sure you will agree that the disco was a great success. We were very impressed by the behaviour of the children and it was super to see so many parents helping out.

We will shortly be working with KSPC to create Tea Towels to celebrate the King's Coronation. More details to follow!

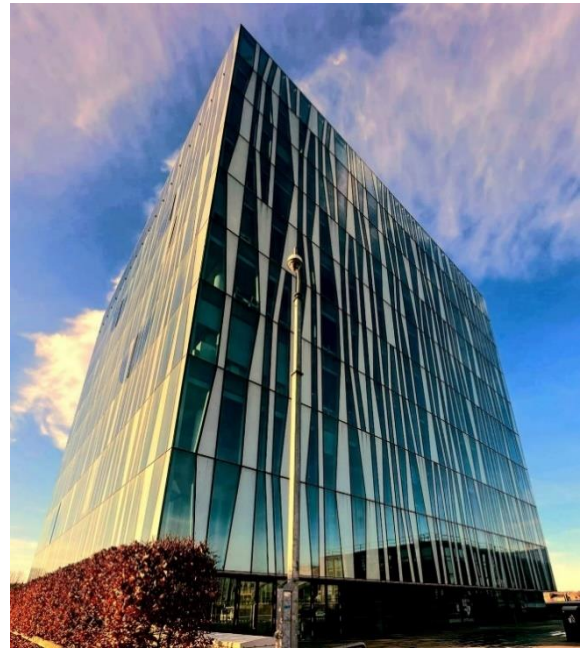
Rotary Club Competitions

We were delighted with all the entries for both the Young Photographer and Young Artist competitions. We were impressed at the quality of the artwork produced and the photos captured. Mr Hatter who is part of the Rotary Club and a professional photographer enjoyed working with our P6 and P7 pupils and was in school last week to announce the results.

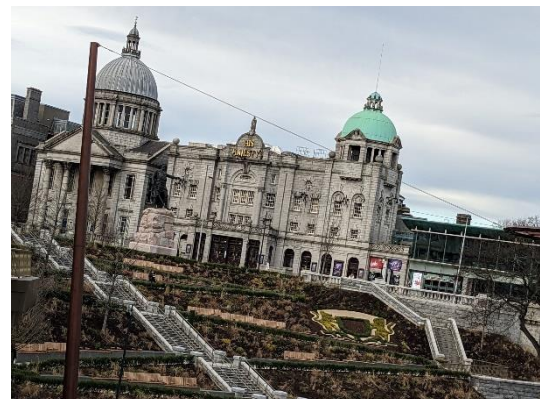
Photography Competition - Junior category, 1st place Josh, 2nd place Jace, 3rd place Madison and Kayleigh highly commended.



Winning Photograph taken by Josh



Ethan in P7 was overall winner for the intermediate category in photography.



The winning photos will be framed and returned to the pupils. Ethan and Josh's photos will be going forward to the district round. We wish them luck.

Young Artist Competition - Junior Category
1st Place Emelia, 2nd Place Rebekah and Alexander got a commended.



Intermediate Category 1st Place Keziah, 2nd Place Cassie and Ethan got a commended.



All winners will have their artwork framed and Mr Hatter is hoping to have it displayed in an Art exhibition next month. More details to follow.

Young Writers Competition

Some of the Primary 6 and Primary 7 pupils produced some fantastic pieces of writing on the theme of peace. We were delighted that Kinellar School took 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.

1st place was awarded to Chloe
2nd place was awarded to Zoe
3rd place was awarded to Jack

Rotary Quiz

The rotary club have organised a quiz for P7 pupils. This is something that has happened previously prior to the pandemic. Those pupils interested in being part of the team took part in a quiz and those who scored the highest were given a space.

Well done to Mia R, Hannah D, Elliot and Josh. Our reserve member will be Ethan.

We wish them the best of luck in the first round on Thursday 16th March.

RRSA Group and Book Swap

RRSA group

Well done to our RRSA group who have achieved Bronze accreditation for the school. This is a reflection of the work that is being done across the school community in relation to children's rights. They will now be working towards the Silver award.

Workshops

The RRSA group provided workshops to Primary 1 to Primary 2 to help them learn about their rights. The Primary 1 drew a picture of their favourite Right. A lot of the children illustrated Right number 31 which is 'I have the right to relax and play'. For the Primary 2s the RRSA group made up a 'kahoot' quiz about the rights which they all very much enjoyed. They then also illustrated their favourite right. We have been delighted with the group's enthusiasm and dedication to their responsibility as a group promoting the Rights of the child. The younger children very much enjoyed being taught by the older pupils and it

was lovely to see the learning relationship between our youngest and eldest pupils.

Book Swap

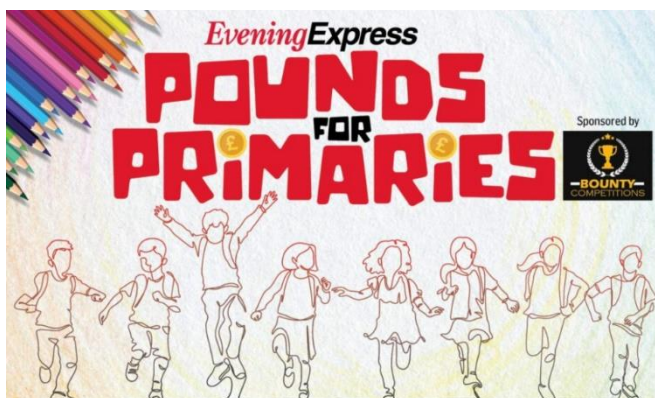
We took the decision with the Parent council to postpone the book swap due to the potential strike days. We will now be hosting the book swap after the Easter Holidays. Children will be asked to bring in a book on the last week of term and will then be invited to choose a new book during the first week back Thursday 20th and Friday 21st. Parent Council will work with P7 to organise and advertise this event.

Pound for Primaries

Pounds for Primaries is back!

Please collect tokens from the Evening Express as this could allow us to win money for our school.

Please hand in any tokens into your class teacher or to the school office.



ASL Parents Evening

Our Additional Support for Learning team will be holding a parents evening for those children they have been working with. An email will be sent out shortly to those parents eligible if you would like to meet with the ASL teachers please complete the necessary form emailed to you. The ASL team will then allocate you a time on Wednesday 15th March between 4pm and 6.30pm.

Water bottles in School

This is a gentle reminder that children should not be bringing shop bought drinks to school to drink during school hours. Children should have a reusable water bottle in school and we recommend this to be filled with water.

ALEC



Mr Musselwhite and Harold will be returning to Kinellar the week beginning 13th March. All classes will be attending a slot during this week inside the life tent. This is a really fun session where children will be covering health and wellbeing topics appropriate to their age and development.

The topics are as follows:

- P1 All about me
- P2 My wonderful body
- P3 Feelings
- P4 Meet the brain
- P5 Its great to be me
- P6 Friends
- P7 Decisions

There will be a Parent session on Wednesday 15th March at 2.30pm in the hall. Please complete the following form should you wish attend

<https://forms.office.com/e/JgaudGgwP0>

Bikeability

We are looking for volunteers to be able to support the Bikeability programme. The guidance on this has changed in recent years, and **most** of the volunteers will need to have completed the training and therefore need to be able to ride a bike. The course for volunteers is one full day or two half days.

We still require other parents to be extra 'eyes and ears' particularly when working on the road, however training for this is not essential.

The Bikeability programme for the pupils involves at least two hours work in the playground and 6-8 hours on the road. However, this will depend on capabilities and confidence. We have over 60 children this year in P7 so we will need a number of parent helpers. We feel it would be great to build up a

group of parents from all year groups or friends of Kinellar that could help facilitate this each year. Please complete the form to let us know if you are interested in being trained or if you are happy to volunteer as 'eyes and ears'.

This is an excellent opportunity for our learners however it does require significant support to make it happen. Please take some time to consider what you could do to help.

<https://forms.office.com/e/2s2RGmubJD>

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SUNDAY 14TH MAY 2023
CATEGORY 1 (600m, Ages 4, 5 & 6)
CATEGORY 2 (1000m, Ages 7, 8 & 9)
CATEGORY 3 (2000m, Ages 10.11 & 12)

Our popular Event Village will also be back with new additions for all the family!
Entries close Sunday 30th April or when all places are sold out.
Entries cost just £5 (plus £1.50 booking fee) and include a t-shirt, medal and chip timing. Visit www.rungarioch.co.uk to book your place!
But be quick... spaces are limited!

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Dates for your Diary

2 nd March	Rugby sessions start
3 ^{rs} March	P1 Growth check
7 th March	P7s to Kemnay Transition
8 th March	P7s to Inverurie Transition
13 th March	ALEC in school
15 th March	ASL Parents Evening
15 th March	KSPC Meeting
16 th March	Rotary Quiz Night
23 rd March	P6 trip to HMT?
23 rd March	Snapshot and Profiles home
27 th March	Collecting books for book swap
28 th March	P1 and P7 dental checks
29 th March	Night at the Musicals