

# Fettercairn Primary Newsletter



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## ***Summer Time!***

In school there are lots of exciting things happening as we approach the holidays but as always the pupils and staff are working hard to make sure everything runs smoothly.

Ian Clarke  
Head Teacher

## ***Transition***

Over the last term we have had a number of visitors from Mearns Academy coming to speak to the Primary 7's about S1. The 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, and 21<sup>st</sup> June saw the P7's go up to Mearns for their three day visit. Over the last five weeks we have had the new P1s experiencing their class and different aspects of school life. The new nursery children have also had time to come and see the nursery ready for August.

## ***Staffing***

I would like to thank all the staff for working incredibly hard to take things forward this year and without their dedication to the school and children many of the things we do would not be possible. We all look forward to next Session to see what exciting new things we can work on. This year there are to be no changes to staffing. In Primary 1/2 the class teachers are Mrs Smith and Mr Clarke. In P3/4 the class teacher will be Miss Oberlander and Mrs Fleming will remain as the P5-7 teacher.

## ***Sports Week***

In May we had our sports week, which a great success with the children enjoying many different sporting and health related activities. It was an extremely busy week with circus skills, trips to Tesco and Montrose Links Park Trust, Sports Day, Generation Science visiting us and culminating in our Community walk. It was a great week and the children represented the school really well, with some great feedback from Tesco regarding the behaviour and positive attitude of the children. Well done.

This year's winners were: Nursery – Struan McBeath, Zoe Anderson, Merrin Salmon  
P1 – Floyd Moore

P2/3 – Grace Campbell, Guy Gibbons-Wood

P4/5 – Melina Pavlantis, Gregor King

P6/7 – Helena Gibbons-Wood, Kevin Smith

Potted Sports Team Winners – Esk 2

Overall House Winners – Esk/

## ***Sporting Activities***

This term we have had Morning Multi-sports and Dodgeball which have both been well attended. It is my intention to continue to run both these clubs but I will speak with the children before any information comes out at the start of the new session.

The Active Schools team completed their Cross country series which was well attended by pupils from Laurenckirk cluster and Stonehaven cluster. Many children from Fettercairn School took part and did really well. Congratulations to Sophie Adams for coming second overall in her age group.

## ***This Term***

In school P4-7 attended swimming lessons at Mackie Academy.

All our working groups are continued with lots of activities and learning taking place. I would like to thank all the staff for making these groups so successful. The children really enjoy these activities. Our support of Unicef and Day for Change raised £48. Thanks to all those who supported this great cause.

On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June we had our Curriculum Showcase in the school hall, where you were able to see and hear about some of the exciting things the children have taken part in this year. Thank you to those parents who filled out the questionnaire. The winner of the prize draw was Mrs Greengrass.

The dance, choir and performance clubs all took place again and are run by Logan Forbes, Ellie Dalgetty, Jodie Lumsden, Becky King and Helena Gibbons –Wood. I would like to thank them all for organising these opportunities for the other pupils.

Mrs Fleming also ran a Homework club that many children attended.

Our P7's also have their trip to Codonas on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June.

The Nursery leavers' assembly is at 11.15am in the school hall and the School's leavers' assembly is also in the school hall at 2pm. Both assemblies are on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June.

## ***Community Walk***

This year our annual community walk took place on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May in the morning. Thank you to everyone for taking the time to walk with the children and making it a very enjoyable event. I would also like to thank all those people who have given donations. The monies will be given to the Public Properties Committee to help with the Public Hall restoration.

## ***School Meals***

From week commencing Monday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2017 there will be a 5p increase in the price of a two course standard meal in all Primary schools raising the cost to £2.20.

## **Fettercairn Parent Council Newsletter – June 2017**

**AGM:** Following our annual general meeting of 20th June, we are pleased to inform you that the following persons have been elected for the forthcoming session.

**CHAIRPERSON/NURSERY REP:** Amanda Wilson  
**TREASURER:** Angie Watson  
**MINUTES SECRETARY:** Yvonne Stewart  
**PUBLIC PROPERTY REP:** Vicky Armstrong/

Our next meeting will be held on **TUESDAY 12th SEPTEMBER @ 9.15am** in the adult lounge. All very welcome to attend, but meanwhile if you would like to be added to our minutes distribution list please do not hesitate to drop us an email to [fettercairnpc@gmail.com](mailto:fettercairnpc@gmail.com)  
A copy of the minutes/reports are also available on our notice board in the adult lounge.

**END OF TERM DISCO:** We hope you all enjoyed yourself at our disco. Our grateful thanks go to Darren from DAB Entertainment for providing the music and to Isabelle for the refreshments. A total of 127 people were in attendance so I'm sure you'll agree she did a sterling job getting everyone "fed and watered". After the event Isabelle very kindly gave us a generous donation for our funds to which we are very grateful.

**FIRST AID:** On Friday 19th May the following parents successfully completed a First Aid training at work course and have been awarded their certificates. Our congratulations go to the following: ***Catriona Neil, Lisa Gibbons-Woods, Angie Watson, Helene Campbell, Jennifer Campbell, Vicky Armstrong, Stacey Masson, Kevin & Amanda Wilson.***

**SOUP AND SWEET - SATURDAY 18th NOVEMBER:** Preparations are well underway behind the scenes by our subcommittee for our forthcoming major bi-annual fundraiser. As with every fundraiser we will require help to make it a success, so a more detailed letter with information including how to book for the family photographer will be coming your way in September. Meanwhile if you know of anyone that may like to have a stall with us please just let us know via our email.

**AND FINALLY** may we take this opportunity in thanking you all for your support in what has been a busy but productive year and wish you all a lovely summer break.

### **BUZZZIN BEES GROUP**

The Buzzzin Bees parent and baby/toddler group would like to cordially invite parents /carers and their children to our summer holiday sessions in the park.  
Wednesdays during the holidays from 10.30-12.10, in Fettercairn Park and pavilion.  
You are very welcome to come and join us for some fun!  
Please bring your own snack. Tea and coffee will be provided.  
The sessions will be free of charge. Donations gratefully accepted.

## **SCHOOL TERMS/HOLIDAYS      SESSION 2017 - 2018**

### **TERM 1**

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August - Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October inclusive**

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> August - In Service  
16<sup>th</sup> October – 27<sup>th</sup> October - Holidays

### **TERM 2**

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December inclusive**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November - In Service  
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November - In Service  
22<sup>nd</sup> December – 7<sup>th</sup> January - Holidays

**TERM 3**

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018 - Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March inclusive**

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February - Occasional Day

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February - Occasional Day

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February - Mid Term

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February - In Service

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February - In Service

30<sup>th</sup> March – 15<sup>th</sup> April – Holidays

**TERM 4**

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April - Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July inclusive**

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May - May Day

7<sup>th</sup> July – 20<sup>th</sup> August – Holidays

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