

January 2020 Newsletter



Dear Parent/Carer

I can't quite believe that we are nearly midway through the school academic year.

Burns Competition – A huge thank you to Reverend Barbara-Ann who has had the very hard task of judging this year's Burns poetry competition.

East and Old Church – Our partnership working with East and Old continues to flourish. We now use the minibus twice a week to transport groups of learners to "Forest School" and equine care skills. The congregation are contributing weekly to our food bank. Our senior pupils assist with "Heavenly Bites" once a month where they cook a dish, then serve it to members of our community.

<u>"Bring a can if you can"</u> – Many thanks to everyone who has contributed to our food bank. Our next collection date is Friday 7 February.

Parent Council – Our parent council is meeting on Monday 27 January from 6-7 pm in the Strathmore Snug. All are most welcome!

<u>"Dekko Comics"</u> – The author of "Dekko Comics" will be visiting P4,5 and 6 on Tuesday the 28th January. We have purchased comics, which are dyslexia friendly, for the pupils to use. Many thanks to the parent council for bringing these to our attention.

Farmhouse Breakfast – Some of our learners will be enjoying a healthy breakfast provided by RHET on Wednesday 29 January. Look out for pictures on SeeSaw!

Family Learning Café – The P6 Learning Café will take place on the afternoon of Friday 31 January. This will take place from 2 pm – 3 pm.

<u>Developing the Young Workforce</u> – On Wednesday 12 February we will be welcoming a wealth of visitors from different employment sectors to share with our children the importance of literacy and numeracy in the workplace.

In-service day – School is closed to pupils only on Thursday 13 February.

<u>Mid Term break</u> – The school will be closed to everyone on Friday 14 February and Monday 17 February. It will re-open on Tuesday 18 February.

<u>Badminton Club</u> – On Tuesday 18 February some of our badminton club with be travelling to Dundee to take part in a badminton tournament. A huge thank you to Mr Ollernshaw for organising this.

<u>**M and M productions**</u> – "The Secret Garden" will be performed in the gym hall on Tuesday 18 February. There will be no cost to pupils for this.

Dates for the diary:

P1, P3 & P7 Visit from NHS Dentist Thursday 30 January Tuesday 25 February P7 pupils at Forfar Academy M & M Productions Tuesday 18 February Friday 31 January P6 Learning Cafe Friday 28 February P3 Learning Café Thursday 5 March World Book Day (No costumes) Friday 13 March P5 Learning Café Tuesday 17 March Parents evening Wednesday 18 March Parents evening Friday 27 March P1 Learning Cafe Easter Service at 9.45 am (note change of date) Thursday 2 April Friday 3 April Last day of term 3 First day of term 4 Monday 20 April Friday 8 May May Day holiday (note change of date) In-service day (school closed to pupils) Monday 25 May Tuesday 26 May in-service day (school closed to pupils) Friday 5 June Sports day at 9.30 am Saturday 6 June Parent council summer fayre Wednesday 10 June P7 pupils at Forfar Academy Wednesday 10 June Move up morning – pupils to meet their session 20-21 teacher Thursday 11 June P7 pupils at Forfar Academy Friday 12 June Report Cards issued 17/18 June Summer Show Tuesday 23 June P7 Leavers Assembly Wednesday 24 June End of term prize giving at 1.45 (note change of date) Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you have any queries.

Yours faithfully Jennifer Garnes Head Teacher