



NEWSLETTER



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Staff

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome back Mrs Riddell. And we would like to thank Mrs Linda Stewart and Mrs Sarah Sharp for their recent support.

School Photographer Orders

Thank you for the orders already received. Please can any remaining parents/carers who wish to order school photographs from Anne Smith **please send in the order along with full payment by Friday 11th November.**

After School Craft Club for P4-7

Miss Smith is offering an afterschool craft club for primary 4-7 pupils to produce cane puppets for our Christmas Show, which will be held on Thursday 15th December, starting at 6.30 pm. The club will be from 3-4 pm on Thursday afternoons from this Thursday 10th November until Thursday 8th December. **Please complete, sign and return the permission slip by tomorrow (Wednesday 9th November).**

Christmas Performance

The children will be performing their pantomime 'Aladdin's Lump' to you on Thursday 15th December at 6.30 pm in the school hall. The roles have been allocated and the songs are already being sung happily throughout the day. We will appreciate your support in helping your child to learn their lines and practice their songs ready for the performance. There will be requests made on an individual basis for costume items which we'd appreciate if you could hand in by the morning of Wednesday 13th December for our dress rehearsal.

Parent Council Christmas Hamper

Our Parent Council Christmas Hamper list is up in school on the Parent Council board. They would appreciate your donations to the fundraising event of the Christmas Hamper, which will be raffled on the evening of the Christmas performance, Thursday 15th December. Please drop in to put your name against the items you wish to donate. Please do not put in any refrigerated items, just those on the list for food safety purposes, thank you.

Cross Curricular Learning in Term 2

Primary 1 – 3 will be discovering 'Granny's attic', and P4-7 are solving the question 'How did Wallace & Bruce shape Scotland?' Both classes are developing their Time Travel knowledge and understanding, breadth and application. Primary 4 – 7 will be working with Aberdeenshire Council's Media Unit to develop their digital literacy skills to create a short movie, which will demonstrate their Rights Respecting School's journey. This movie will also include a dance routine. To create this, pupils will collaborate with Lisa, a Street Dance instructor, to choreograph a routine. Many thanks to the Parent Council who have kindly donated the funds to provide the instructor. We look forward to viewing the movie once complete.

Bags 2 School

Thank you so much to all who dropped off bags. Together we collected 180kgs of clothing for which we received £72 for school funds.

Shoebox Appeal

The Pupil Council 4rights co-ordinators would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for donations for the Blythwood Care's Shoe Box Appeal. Your generosity is much appreciated.

Portsoy and Fordyce P6 & 7 Dalguise Trip

Please be aware that the next instalment of £60, for the joint Dalguise trip is due by Wednesday 23rd November. If you have not already done so, please make any cheques payable to Portsoy Primary School, and remember to enclose the payment card. Thank you.

Dalguise Transition

As part of our transition approach for Dalguise our P6 & 7 pupils will meet with their peers in Portsoy Primary on 22nd November, 6th & 13th December. They will be experiencing Health & Wellbeing outcomes through Circle Time approach where they will build friendships before going to Dalguise next year. During the sessions they will also get the opportunity to enjoy Koldaly music with Dr Goodwill. A transport permission slip will be sent home with the children going to Dalguise soon.

Children in Need Day

Friday 18th November is the annual Children in Need Day. The Pupil Council have registered to take part in the 'Spottacular' event. Further information will follow once the Pupil Council have decided on their 'Spottacular' approach.

In Service Days

Monday 14th and Tuesday 15th November are In-Service days and therefore the school will be closed from 3pm on Friday 11th to 9am on Wednesday 16th November to pupils.

Lesley Mair
Head Teacher



Dates for your diary

Monday 14th November
Tuesday 15th November
Friday 18th November
Thursday 15th December
Monday 19th December
Wednesday 21st December
Thursday 5th January 2017

In-Service Day
In-Service Day
Children in Need Day
Christmas Play – Aladdin's Lump
Christmas Party
School Closes at 3pm for Christmas Holidays
School resumes at 9am