



# NEWSLETTER



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## Scottish Night

On Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February, in the village hall, we held a very successful Scottish Night. The 'Heilan' Coo' Drive followed by refreshments, raffle draw, chair auction and finally Scottish quiz was well attended by families, villagers and staff. An amazing sum of £840 was raised for school funds. We would like to thank the generosity of Mrs Dorothy Davidson and her family, the Community Association, Mr & Mrs Robertson, as well as the whole school community.

## Dalguise P6-7 Transition Sessions

Our primary 6 and 7 pupils will have further transition sessions with their peers at Portsoy ahead of the Dalguise trip in May. The remaining dates are the 10<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> March. Any remaining permission & medical slips should be returned to school as soon as they have been completed. We are delighted that Miss Smith will be accompanying the children in May.

## Police Visit

P4-7 will be visited by PC Mike Taylor on the afternoon of Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March to discuss Cyber Security.

## World Book Day

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March is World Book Day. **However, we are celebrating World Book Day on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2017, please come dressed as any character for your favourite book.** We will be having literacy activities throughout the week. We are sending home a World Book Day token for each pupil with this newsletter, which can be spent in any book shop of your choice. If you wish, it can also be used against the purchase of a book from our Book Club, a pamphlet for which is also attached. Any orders, with money/card details will need to be handed into the school office, along with the token, by Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March.

## NSPCC Assembly & Workshop for P6/7

The NSPCC will work with P6 & 7 pupils on a 'Speak out stay safe' theme on the afternoon of Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March.

## Parent Council Meeting

Our next Parent Council meeting is on Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> March at 1.15pm. This meeting is to discuss and make the final arrangements for our annual Daffodil Tea fundraising event. Hope to see you all there.

## Author workshop visits

P1-3 will meet author Vivian French at 1.15 pm on 10<sup>th</sup> March as part of 'Bookfest' an offshoot of the Portsoy Book Festival being held on the weekend of 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> March at the Salmon Bothy. A children's event with crafting and storytelling of the Doric version of the Gruffalo will be held in Portsoy Library on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March from 10 to 11.30 am.

## Dental Inspections for P1 and P7

All parents of primary 1 and 7 pupils should by now have received a letter regarding dental inspections for their children on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March. If you are happy for your child to have this check-up, no further action is required. If not, please follow the instructions on the letter.

## Generation Science Workshops

On 23<sup>rd</sup> March our P1-3 pupils will undertake a Day or Night Workshop with Generation Science here in school. P4-7 will also have a workshop on 'Power from the people'.

### **Red Nose Day**

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March is Red Nose Day. The theme is Dress Up or Dress Down, just wear a red nose or full out fancy dress. The choice is yours. **We will be dressing up on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March to celebrate Red Nose Day instead of Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March.** This is due to the hall being set up for the Daffodil Tea.

### **Daffodil Tea**

Our Parent Council annual Daffodil Tea will be held on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March from 10 am until 12 noon in the school hall. The Parent Council will be setting up the hall on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March from 1.30pm onwards.

### **SSPCA Visit**

On the afternoon of Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March, we will have a visit from an SSPCA officer. First there will be an informal chat with P1-3 pupils followed by a 'Wild about animals' session for P4-7.

### **Enhanced Reporting to parents Curricular Morning – Friday 31 March 2017**

**Primary 1-3** Would like to invite their parents from 10 – 10.45am for a Science: Planet Earth Biodiversity and Interdependence curriculum session where they will share with you what they have been learning about this term.

**Primary 4-7** Would like to invite their parents from 11 - 12.30pm for a Science and Literacy workshop where they will share with you their knowledge and understanding of chemical reactions followed by hands on experiments which they will guide you through.

We look forward to seeing you all get involved in child's learning experience as an end of term celebration.

### **Street Dance Sessions**

Our Parent Council wanted to set up and fund further Street Dance Sessions with Lisa, but unfortunately she has to postpone due to personal circumstances.

### **Easter Holidays**

School will close for the Easter holidays at 3 pm on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March and resume at 9 am on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April.

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