January Newsletter – week beginning Monday 7th January 2019

A Happy New Year to all our families.

<u>Parent comments</u>: Thank you for returning the interim report. If you haven't done so, please return as soon as possible.

Primary 1 Enrolment Week – 14th to 18th January 2019

Please be aware that Nursery Pupils due to start their Primary 1 in August 2019 will be issued enrolment forms from Friday 11 January.

All children who reach their fifth birthday by 29th February 2020 are invited to register for Primary 1 admission in August 2019. Please complete the form and return to the school office and bring your child's **birth certificate**along with **evidence of the parent/carers home address**, (for example a recent utility bill or bank statement) anytime during enrolment week.

If you are currently out-of-zone, please read the information and complete the form which is online at: https://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/schools/information/choosing-a-school

January Events:

- Badminton Club will be restarting tomorrow (8th January)
- Recorder club will be restarting next Monday
- School Council meeting on Tuesday 15th January at 7pm

Scottish Poetry – Friday 25th January

All pupils will come home this week with a Scottish poem. The class teacher has taught each poem and the children are now asked to learn it off by heart. This poem will then be performed to the class on Monday 21st January, and three pupils from each year group will be selected to recite their poem at the Scots Verse Competition on Friday 25th January. Mrs Engel, a former teacher of the school, will select a winner and runners up from each year group.

Visiting Specialists

This term the children will have Drama on Tuesdays with Mrs Jardine. Also on Tuesdays Mrs Thomas will be teaching French. Mr Witt will continue teaching PE on Thursdays. Could you ensure that children have their PE kit every Thursday. Also, children will have science input every second week with Mrs Stutter on a Wednesday.

Our School Website

We are going to use the School Website to act as a reference point for information. There is a lot of information which we will provide that will support the running of the school and how to support your child. Each week this term we will be adding material to the website. This week we have added calendar dates for school events. Take time to look at the site and we hope that this will become useful for you.

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 24th January Life Education parent / carer session 2.30 pm – 3.15 pm

Thursday 7th February Gymnastics showcase pm

Friday 8th February Half term holiday

Monday 11th February Half-term holiday

Tuesday 12th February In-Service Day (school closed)

Wednesday 13th February In-Service Day (school closed)

Friday 1st March Primary 4 class sharing assembly 2pm school hall

Tuesday 19th March and Wednesday 20th March - Parent interviews

Wednesday 27th March Coffee morning Friday 29th March End of Term

Monday 15th April First day of Summer term

Friday 19th April Good Friday – School closed

School Council events

There are two main fundraiser events this term. Further details will follow.

Sunday 27 January – Cinema at the school

Saturday 2 February – Race Night at the Bowling Club.

Lost property

We have a considerable amount of lost property items in the library area. If you are missing some school uniform, please have a look through the box. Please ensure that you child's clothing is named, it makes it much easier for us to return misplaced items of clothing.

Regards.

Drumoak School

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