



NEWSLETTER 3 - Friday 29th September 2017

OCTOBER

- 2 Nursery Stay and Play sessions commence
- 4 Family Learning Day 10.00-10.45am
SFSA meeting 11am
P4 Badminton Festival
- 5 P1 photo - Evening Express
- 9 Global Citizenship Week
- 11 P3 Sharing Learning 10:15am
- 12 Halloween Disco 6-7:30pm
- 13 Last day of term
- 30 First day of term 2
- 31 Puppet Show/Illusionist - pm

DECEMBER

- 6 Nursery Concert
- 8 Panto P1-7
Nursery January intake taster session
- 11 School Dress Rehearsal
- 12 Afternoon Concert 1:30pm
- 13 Evening Concert 6pm
Nursery trip to Boomerangs
- 15 Nursery January intake taster session
- 18 All P6 and P7 party 1:30pm
- 19 All P5 and P4 party 1:30pm
- 20 Nursery party whole nursery pm
- 21 P1-3 party 1:30pm
- 22 Church Service 2pm
Last day of term

NOVEMBER

- 2 Bags to School
P7 trip to Aberdeen Science Centre
- 6 Nursery Keyworker Reporting begins
Shoe Box Appeal
- 8 Parent Appointments 3:30pm
- 9 Parent Appointments 6pm
- 13 In-Service
- 14 In-Service
- 16 Parent Improvement Planning Group 9am
- 18 Christmas Fayre 2pm-4pm
- 24 Flu Vaccine

JANUARY

- 8 Back to School
- 29 Family Learning Day 1.30-2.30

- Pupils of the Week

Congratulations to all who have been 'Pupils of the Week' - Jamie, Michael, Ollie, Betzie, Jace, Ruby, Marisa, Archie, Adam, Sophie, Saffron and Rylee. Our 'Nursery Stars' - Ryan, Katie, Lily and Jak. Well done!

- Developing the Young Workforce

As part of Curriculum for Excellence, it is vitally important that children learn about the world of work from a young age. It is super to have the support of local companies and parents working in partnership with us as our pupils learn about different jobs and some of the skills needed for these. Connections are then made between skills acquired in school and how these are relevant in the wider world.

P3 and P7 recently had a joint visit from staff at the site who work at plimited. They were treated to a presentation before posing a set of questions to the visitors linked to their 'Energy' topic. P3 have been finding out about the Gas Site's special 40th birthday this year and will be sharing their learning with family and friends on Wednesday 11th October at 10.15am. Jamie Henderson who works with Shell at the site also visited school and provided the children with lots of information. Read on to find out more...

I learned that there is more than one company at the gas site. Reuben
I learned many more things about the gas terminal when Jamie came up to talk to us. Sapphire
I learned that if you work at Shell, people have to work overnight or 98 hours per week for shutdown. Ellie

I enjoyed Jamie coming in and answering all our questions and telling us all about his job. Lennon

I enjoyed seeing the px powerpoint of the gas site. I had no idea that it was so big. Mia

I enjoyed the presentation that the gas site did. I learned how big the site was. Dylan

- School Magazine 'Blaze'

Thank you to everyone who responded to the survey sent out by our pupil Magazine group. Some excellent feedback was given and lots of ideas to help the pupils develop the magazine further. Look out for issue 3 due out prior to Christmas!

- P1 Visit to St Fergus Church



P1 recently visited St Fergus Church and were shown around by Rev Jeff.



It was the best church ever. Brendan

It was the best day ever! We learned about the font and the pulpit. Zac



The stained glass windows were very pretty. Iona

- Family Learning Day

Our next Family Learning Day will take place on Wednesday 4th October. Remember this is an opportunity for all family members - parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, younger siblings, to come into school and have the opportunity to interact with the children in their learning environment. A Head Teacher presentation on mental maths and problem solving will be given in the school hall at 10am followed by visits to classes from 10.15-10.45am. We look forward to seeing you. If you are unable to attend during the day, and would like a copy of the presentation, please contact the school office.

- SFSA

The Bingo Tea was held on Friday and was a resounding success raising £585.50. Thank you to all who supported in any way from helping on the day to set up and clean away, to run the event, bake, donate and attend! We appreciate your kindness and this will go a long way in boosting SFSA

funds which support the school with much needed resources.

SFSA will hold a meeting to organise coming events on Wednesday 4th October after Family Learning Day at 11am in the gym hall.

- Gas Site say 'Thank You'



Thank you for the brilliant banner and all the lovely drawings - they were commented on a lot.

Bethany Duthie and Kyle Fraser were awarded a WH Smith gift voucher for their quiz entries. Well done!



Everyone enjoyed a piece of the 40th celebration cake.

- P4 Badminton Festival

Ten P4 pupils will be representing the school at a Badminton Festival on 4th October. Mrs Robertson has been

frantically training pupils! Thank you Mrs Robertson for all you do!

- P1 Evening Express Photos

P1 will be visited by a photographer on Thursday 5th October for the P1 supplement.

- Parking

To continue to try to solve the problems we experience with people dropping off and collecting their children in a way which is dangerous, our JRSO will be trialling putting out cones provided by Police Scotland. Please support our pupils in staying safe and help us try to solve congestion issues around the school by staying away from the coned areas and being careful when driving near the school. It is unfortunate that a large amount of head teacher and pupil time has to be spent trying to get people to park in a sensible way. Please also remember the car park is for STAFF use only. Your support is greatly appreciated.

- Thank You!

Thank you to Mr Holland who recently supported the MOD Police when the school alarm went off!

- Shoe Box Appeal

Shoe Box Appeal leaflets have been handed out, any boxes should be handed into school by the 6th November. Thank you!

- Leavers' Legacy

P7 Tuck Shop Tuesday Success! P7 started their first fundraiser on Tuesday, they took over the tuck shop and made a whopping £50 by making extremely yummy and donating supermarket goodies. Thank you all for

buying our delicious treats and for helping us raise our total! Rylee, Mayah and Saffron

- Nursery News (ELCC)



We are continuing our 'myself' theme and are beginning to name the basic parts of the body and made a collage body and stuck body parts in the correct places. We are also beginning to describe how they work and what we can do with them.

Heart - *It beats.* Vanessa Lyn
It moved the blood around the body. Elsa
Head - *It nods.* Jak
Foot - *Stamp and walk.* Katie
Hand - *Clap.* Amy
Mouth - *Speak and eat.* Jude
Eyes - *Look.* Noah J

- School Website

Remember to have a look at the Latest News section for more information and photos of what's been going on here in school.

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