

St Fergus Primary School

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NEWSLETTER 4 - Friday 13th October 2017

OCTOBER

- 30 First day of Term 2
- 30 Play @ home books issued for Nursery
- 31 Puppet Show/Illusionist - pm

NOVEMBER

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

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

JANUARY

- 8 Back to School
- 29 Family Learning Day 1.30-2.30
Stay and Play Nursery

- Pupils of the Week

Congratulations to all who have been 'Pupils of the Week' - Zac, Lucas B, Josh, Alexa, Clayton, Bethany, Aiden Bain, Toby, Stuart and Amy. Our 'Nursery Stars' - Noah Jernslett, Noah Johnston, Elsie and Elsa. Well done!

- Developing the Young Workforce

P1 had a visit from Zac's mum telling them all about working at the gas site.

You need to get a card to get in the gas site. Bailey

She uses her picture to scan her, I wanted to test the metal container.

Zac

Thank you very much to Zac's mum for taking the time to encourage the children and help them begin to learn about the world of work.

- Macmillan Coffee Morning

On Friday 29th September, P3 and P4/5 held a coffee morning for parents and friends. In the afternoon there was activities for all the classes in school. The children sang a Macmillan song entitled 'Tulips and Coffee'. The total amount raised was £1112.73! A big thank you to all the parents who helped make it such a successful fundraiser. (Mrs Stephen/Miss Cantlay)



It was really busy the whole day.

Priscilla

The children had lots of fun doing it.

Marisa



We raised lots of money. Lucas

I enjoyed the photo booth because we took lots of funny pictures of children dressed up. Heidi

- P4 Badminton Festival

Ten pupils from P4 participated in a badminton festival with other P4s from schools in the Peterhead cluster. They really enjoyed the experience.



I liked ow we all worked in a team and how all of us used our incredible human strength! Teddy

I liked the Frisbee part, I got most points. I also liked running around and

trying to collect as many shuttlecocks as I could before the whistle. Grace

P3 Sharing Learning



Families and classes were treated to a marvellous assembly on Wednesday! There was singing, dancing, costume change and lots of interesting information. Abba, Elvis and Status Quo were all performed and we even had a visit from Her Majesty the Queen! Storm Troopers and Darth Vader stormed into the scene to fight with Princess Leah before hearing lots about... what year? 1977! Miss Cantlay and the pupils gave an excellent performance about the year that St Fergus Gas Site started.

- Family Learning Day



It was super to have such a large number of parents/families into school for our recent Family Learning on mental maths and problem solving. Please contact the school office if you wish a copy of the presentation.

- SFSA

Thanks again to our wonderful school association who work tirelessly to support our school. Thank you for organising a wonderful Halloween disco, children all had a great time! The Christmas Fayre planning meeting will be held on Wednesday 1st November at 1pm in the VILLAGE HALL . A reply slip has been sent home, please take a moment to respond.

- Bags to School

Please have bags back first Thursday after holidays.

- School Meals

New menus have been issued. Please check school bags!

- Sponsored Walk Total

The grand total raised from our recent sponsored walk was £2332.50. Once again, thank you for your support for school/nursery.

- Aberdeenshire Youth Volunteer Award

If you know of anyone who would be a candidate for a Youth Volunteer Award please read below.

Aberdeenshire's Pupil Participation Forum (PPF), which represents all 17 secondary schools is pleased to announce the launch of the Aberdeenshire Youth Volunteer Awards 2017. This event is to celebrate and recognise the volunteering efforts of young people of school age in Aberdeenshire and is organised and run by the young people of the Pupil Participation Forum.

Anyone can nominate a young person by clicking on the following surveymonkey link.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/3PTDKXW>

The closing date for nominations is the 8th November 2017.

- Daily Dozen

We are excited to share our plans to introduce a 'Daily Dozen' where 12 children will meet with the head teachers to talk about various issues such as; what interests they have

inside and outside school, what they would like about school, what they would like to improve in school, how they can improve their learning, how they are progressing with their learning etc. This will be used to try to improve the school experience for our children by building better relationships and helping pupils understand their role as the most important person in improving their learning. All children will take part so that all have a chance to have their voice heard.

- Congratulations

Congratulation to Emma Steel for winning the Trust 3k on Sunday 1st October at Ellon. Emma received her gold medal at assembly.

- Leavers' Legacy

P7 have been having the time of their lives! For the past 3 Tuesdays, they have sold homebakes, kindly donated by their parents, and have worked hard to advertise their stall so that they will be able to do their Leavers' Legacy which is to do up the P7 classroom. There have been unicorn cupcakes, butterfly grapes and crisps, kebabs with fruit and marshmallows and so much more. We have raised a grand total of £222.34.

- Parking

The issue with people parking in dangerous areas is beginning to improve due to the placing of cones. However parents are still parking in the staff car park. This seems to be a particular issue with people dropping off and collecting children going to nursery. Please DO NOT use the school staff car park.

- In-Service

School will be closed to pupils 13th and 14th November. Staff will be developing Visible Learning with all schools in Peterhead Cluster and also spending time looking to improve our Cross Curricular Themes by ensuring there are clear links to the unique setting of our school. Some staff will also be developing their understanding of Dyslexia and Autism.

- Nursery News (ELCC)

The boys and girls enjoyed their Stay and Play sessions with their mums and dads recently. We were able to show them what we have been learning about and they played in different areas and even had snack with us.

I did mummy's hair. Britney

I liked her to play in house corner.

Harvey M

I liked her playing with my friends.

Nicole

Thank you to Noah and his mummy for bringing up their baby bunnies we loved how soft and fluffy they were!

We have started learning about Autumn and enjoyed an Autumn walk to collect the leaves on Topper Tuesday.

- 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.

www.st-fergus.aberdeenshire.sch.uk

- Twitter

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