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NEWSLETTER 3 - Friday 22nd September 2023



SEPTEMBER

- 28 British Red Cross First Aid Training for P6/7
- 29 Macmillan Fundraiser organised by P1 & P7



OCTOBER

- 02 ELC Play n Stay Week
 - 04 SFSA meeting 6:30pm
 - 06 SFSA Bingo Tea - village hall
 - 09 Global Citizenship Week
 - 11 Family Learning Morning 9:30-10:30am
 - 13 Last Day of term 1
- Standards & Quality Report shared with parents

- 30 First Day of term 2



NOVEMBER

- 02 SFSA Halloween Disco in school hall 6-7:30pm
- 07 Parent Improvement Planning Group meet with HT
- 10 Celebrating Success pm
- 15 Children in Need Day
- 16/17 In-service Days (School & ELC closed to pupils)
- 20 ELC Key Worker Reporting Fortnight
- Flu vaccines
- 24 Interim reports issued to parents
- 29 Parent Appointments 3:30pm>
- 30 Parent Appointments 6pm>

- Sponsored Walk/Toddle



School and ELC enjoyed a fabulous, sponsored event - what better way to spend a Friday and improve wellbeing than a lovely walk in the sun!



Can all outstanding sponsor money please be handed into the school office ASAP



- Macmillan

Mrs McLean, Miss Cantlay and our P7 pupils



along with their P1 buddies will be jointly organising a Macmillan fundraiser on Friday 29th September. We ask that all children in school and ELC come wearing purple and/or green that day and bring a donation for Macmillan Cancer Support. There will be fun activities in classes and the whole school will join together in the hall for some pancakes and fairy cakes as part of the 'world's biggest coffee morning'. P7 will then lead an assembly for the rest of school in the afternoon.

- St Fergus School Association (SFSA)

Scarecrow Trail

This year St Fergus School Association has decided to have a scarecrow trail. They would like all entries to design and build a scarecrow, then display it in your front garden. Your scarecrow can be any design you wish, there isn't a specific theme. You have until 29th September to sign up. Scarecrows will be judged on the weekend of 6-8th October and prizes given for 1st 2nd & 3rd. It is a family entry rather than per child. However, each child is welcome to enter individually if they wish, just pay extra entry fees per child.



To join the SFSA scarecrow trail, fill in the form sent home with your child, pop £5 in and you will be allocated a number for easy judging.

SFSA news

Thank you to everyone who came along to our informal SFSA (St Fergus

School Association) team meeting and joined our team. We are grateful to all the helpers, you help our events run smoothly, Thank you.

There is still time to join our scarecrow trail if you haven't already and still some straw available. I'm looking forward to seeing all the scarecrows brightening up our village and surrounding area.

Looking ahead we have some dates for your diary.

We have a bingo tea Friday 6th October. In the village hall, doors open 6:30pm, eyes down 7pm.

Halloween disco for P1-7 Thursday 2nd November in the school hall.

We are also planning a cooking demonstration Friday 3rd November in the village hall. More info to follow.

Please let us know if you are free to help at any of these.

Our next SFSA meeting is Wednesday 4th October at 6:30pm in the school.

Come along and see what we do.

(Adele Smart, SFSA Chair)

Donations of raffle prizes for the Bingo Tea would be appreciated. Also, prizes suitable for giving to children during the Bingo games so that every child participating receives a prize. These need to be handed into the school office by Thursday 5th October.

- ELC

The children have been talking about families and have been mark making pictures of their own family.



We were encouraging them to use a pincher grasp of their pencil and add detail. The children could name family members and we talked about the different sizes of families and the different family members. We used the small world families to encourage the children to re-enact scenarios of family life.



The children used the role play area as a house and were caring for the baby dolls, feeding, changing and washing them. They all showed great understanding of how to care for a baby. The children had fun doing their sponsored toddle throughout the week and did some laps in the hall as well as outside. The Friday afternoon children joined in with the school and manged 2 laps around the village! Well done everyone who took part.



- Pupils of the Week

Congratulations to all who have been 'Pupils of the Week' - Charlotte, Sophie, Zachary B, Emilia Burnett, Daniel, Sophia Morris, Charlie & Maya and our 'Nursery Stars' - Thomas & Cruz, well done!

- Twitter

Remember we post photos and comments of what's happening in school live onto Twitter. Can we take this opportunity to encourage as many parents/families as possible to start following school on Twitter @StFergusSch

Also, our school website gives you current information on all that's been happening in school as well as access to various resources/documents.

<https://st-fergus.aberdeenshire.sch.uk>

