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#### **Weekly Newsletter**

# **Diary Dates**

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November
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Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December

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5.00 - 8.00 Parent Interviews

Flu Vaccinations day

4.00 - 6.00 Parent Interviews

Children in Need Day

Inset Day (school closed to pupils)

7.00 - 9.00 Parent Council Meeting\*

Pinocchio Pantomime in school P1-P7 Choir to perform at St Machar Academy

Christmas concert

9.30 & 2.00 P1 - P3 Christmas concert

9.30 & 2.00 P4 - P7 Christmas concert

Christmas Lunch

P1-P7 to HMT for Pantomime (pm)

P1 Party (pm) P2 Party (pm)

P3 Party (pm) & P2/3B

P4 Party (pm)

P5 Party (pm)

P6 Party (pm)

9.30 P1-P7 to St George's Church

P7 Party (pm) Last day of term First day of term.

#### Parent Council Meeting - change of date

Please note the change of date of the Parent Council meeting, the Parent Council has very kindly agreed to change the date from Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> of November to Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> of November as Mrs Ironside is unable to attend the meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. We hope that this does not cause any inconvenience.

# **Children in Need**

As we are closed to pupils on Children in Need day due to the in service day we will be celebrating this on Thursday 16th of November. The theme this year is spots, so we are asking the children to dress up in spots for the day and to donate £1 for the privilege. The children will undertake activities in their class during the day to help them understand the purpose of Children in Need.

#### **Primary 1 – First Class Photos**

The photographs of the P1 classes have now appeared in the Evening Express, copies of these can be purchased direct from Aberdeen Journals.

# School Closure - Reminder

A reminder that the school is closed to pupils on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> of November as this is a training day for staff. On this day the majority of Riverbank Staff will be learning about Emotion Coaching, whilst the Riverbank SMT will be learning about Visible Learning – feel free to google these to find out more!

# Parent Interviews - reminder

The parent interviews are on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> of November and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> of November. If you have not yet received your appointment time please contact your child's teacher to arrange this. Parent interviews are held in your child's class with the exception of the children who are taught in the modular unit. Below are the details of where the parent interviews will be held for those classes who are usually in the modular unit.

P5R – Music Room

P5B – SfL Room

P6S – Dining Hall

P6N – Library

# **Smoking / Dogs on School Premises**

It is Aberdeen City Council that no smoking is permitted on Aberdeen City Council Property, this includes the playground and the area between the school and Aberdeen Lads Club (which is also an Aberdeen City Council Property), and therefore we ask that parents do not smoke within the playground or in the road which leads to the school kitchens.

We would also wish to remind you that the Law in Scotland does not allow smoking in cars when anyone under 18 is in the car. If a report of this is made to the school we would pass the information to the police, equally if any parent observes this they could also contact the police. Aberdeen City Council also has a policy of open access to school grounds therefore the playground is open to the public out with school hours, but the council has a policy of no dogs to be on school grounds at **any time** – we ask you to respect this.

#### **Christmas Parties**

It may seem very early to be discussing Christmas Parties but we wanted to confirm the arrangements for the parties. All parties are in the afternoon, on the day of the party the children can go home for lunch and change into party clothes, or they can bring their clothes to school in the morning and then change after they have had their lunch.

We do not recommend that children come to school in the morning in their party clothes as they may not be in the condition the children would wish them to be by the afternoon.

Mrs Barber has discussed with her children which party they wished to attend and by a majority vote they have chosen to attend the P3 party on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> of December.