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Weekly Newsletter

Welcome back to all our returning pupils and a warm welcome to all the children and families who are new to Riverbank School. We hope that you enjoyed the holidays and had the opportunity to enjoy the lovely warm weather we had in Aberdeen.

Below are some important dates for your diary for the coming session, we will update these every week in the newsletter.

There is also a reminder about the changes to our lunchtimes and the change to our home dinner policy which we let you know about at the end of last term.

Diary Dates

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Tuesday 21 st August 2018	All P2-P7 pupils return
Friday 21 st September 2018	Local Holiday
Monday 24 th September 2018	Local Holiday
Friday 12 th October 2018	Last day of term
Monday 29 th October 2018	First day of term
Friday 16 th November 2018	In Service day (school closed to pupils)
Friday 21 st December 2018	Last day of term
Monday 7 th January 2019	First day of term
Monday 11 th February 2019	Mid term holiday
Tuesday 12 th February 2019	In Service day (school closed to pupils)
Wednesday 13 th February 2019	In Service day (school closed to pupils)
Friday 29 th March 2019	Last day of term
Monday 15 th April 2019	First day of term
Friday 19 th April 2019	Good Friday – school closed to pupils and staff
Monday 6 th May 2019	May day holiday
Tuesday 7 th May 2019	In Service day (school closed to pupils)
Friday 5 th July	Last day of term

School Lunch Times / Home Lunches

You may remember that we consulted with staff, parents and pupils regarding the lunch times and the situation regarding home lunches. In response to this consultation we will be making some changes next session. From August 2018 our lunch times will be:

12.00 – 1.00 Primary 1 & Primary 2

12.30 – 1.30 Primary 5, Primary 6 & Primary 7

1.00 – 2.00 Primary 3 & Primary 4

We will trial this until the end of December when will then review the situation.

Due to an increase in incidents involving our children within the community at lunchtime, we also consulted with parents, pupils and staff regarding 'Home' Lunches. We also discussed this with the other schools in the area and based on this we are making a change to the arrangements for children going out at lunchtime.

From August 2018, all children from Primary 1 – Primary 7 will need to be signed out by a parent at lunchtime if they wish for them to go home. The parent will need come to the office to meet the child at their allotted lunch time where they will then 'sign' for them. Children will no longer be permitted to go 'out' for lunch unless accompanied by an adult.

Please ensure that your children know that they will not be able to leave the school at lunchtime unless they are signed out at the office by an adult as we would not want the children to be disappointed in any way.

Thank you for your support with this.