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## Weekly Newsletter

### Diary Dates 2019-2020

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> October	P7 – 10.00 & P4 – 11.00	P7 & P4 sharing assemblies
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> October	5.00 – 8.00	Parent Interviews
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	4.00 – 6.00	Parent Interviews
<b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October - Holidays</b>		
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October	9.00	Pupils return for Term 2
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	All day	Photographer (individuals)
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	P6 10.00 am & P3 11.00 am	P6 & P3 Sharing assemblies
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	9.30 – 10.30 & 2.15 – 3.15	Open Day
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	P1 9.30 am, P5 10.00 am & P2 11.00 am	P1, P5 & P2 Sharing assemblies
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	All day	School closed to pupils (Inset Day)
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	All day	School closed to pupils (Inset Day)
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	11.00 – 2.00	Christmas Fayre

### Sharing Assemblies

The first of our sharing assemblies is on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> of October. Parents are invited to join us at 10.00 am for the Primary 7 sharing assembly and 11.00 am for the Primary 4 assembly. We hope to see as many of you as possible. Sharing assemblies for the other age groups are after the October holidays.

### Clothing & Footwear

As we enter a colder period in the year, it is important that your children come to school dressed for the ever changing weather. Children will be out at playtime and lunchtime unless the weather is severe, so gloves, hats and scarves are highly recommended.

Can you also ensure that your child has a pair of indoor shoes to change into when in school (gym shoes are perfect for this as they can also be used for PE) – this is particularly important as the weather gets wetter.

### Parent Interviews

Today you will receive your time for your appointment with your child's teacher – every parent receives a time slot, please let us know if you are unable to attend at the given time and we will do our best to rearrange this for you. The majority of parent interviews are conducted in your child's class and all parents need to enter via the entrance beside the school office. Details of where your child's teacher will be if your child is taught in the modular unit are detailed below:

P4L – Miss Littler – Room 15  
P4U – Mrs Ullah - Family Room  
P7M – Library  
P7E – Music Room – Room 17

These rooms are all in the main building of the school.

### **Early Learning Expansion**

The Early Learning and Childcare team have launched an Early Learning and Childcare (ELC) Expansion Survey. They are keen to find out the views of parents, carers and grandparents on ELC, which will play an important role in shaping how they progress towards the roll-out of the service expansion for August 2020. To take part in the survey please follow the link below.

<https://consultation.aberdeencity.gov.uk/operations/early-learning-and-childcare-parents-survey>

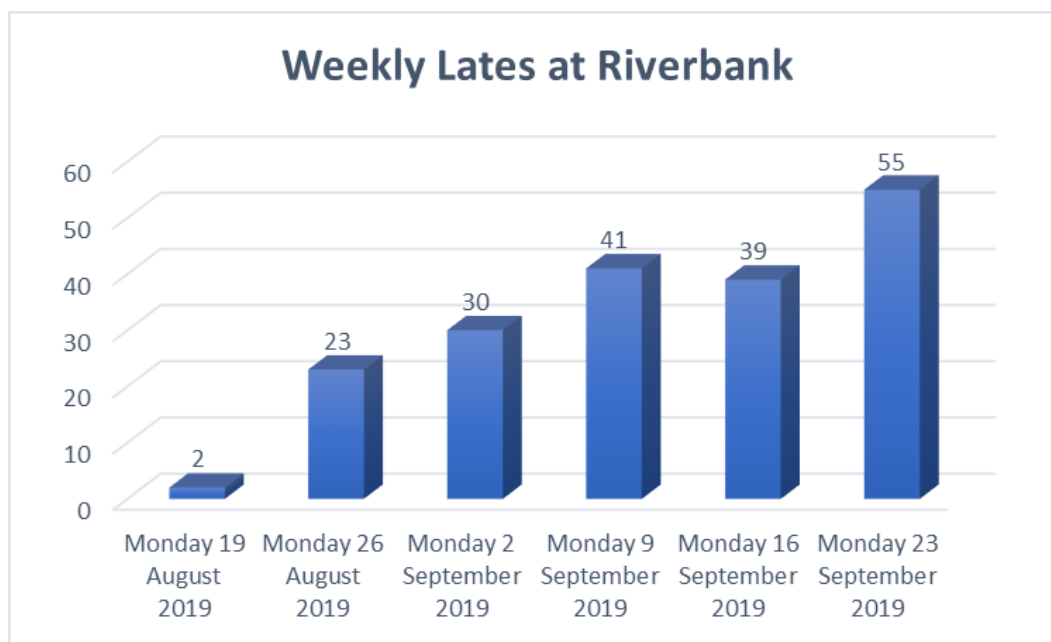
### **Snacks**

We have several children in school who have nut allergies, it is really important that the snacks you provide for your children do not contain nuts, so that we can ensure the safety of all of our children. Can you also remind your children that they should not share their snack at school? We appreciate that your children are being kind when they do so, but children may have allergies that others are unaware of.

### **School Attendance & Lateness**

Aberdeen City Council have issued new guidance regarding School Attendance and Lateness – attached is a leaflet about this. It is very important that your child has regular attendance at school and that they arrive on time.

As you can see from the table below you can see that we have had quite an increase in lates since we returned after the holidays. Parents of children who are regularly late will be invited to meet with Mrs. Ironside to discuss what support is required to ensure their child attends school on time.



### **School Playground Gates**

The school playground gates are opened and locked at the following times. Nursery parents who are still in nursery after the times will need to be accompanied by a member of staff to leave by the school office.

#### **Front gate**

Locked at 9.10 am

Opened at 11.20 am

Locked at 12.40 pm

Opened at 3.00 pm

#### **Back gate**

Locked at 9.10 am

Opened at 3.00 pm

The gates are locked to ensure the security of all the school children, so please do not ask staff to open them outwith these times.

Thank you for your support with this.