

Dear Families,

Welcome to term 4 everyone. Term 4 is a busy but fun term in school that usually benefits from some lovely weather. Apologies in advance for the number of Microsoft Forms that are coming your way this term.

Staff News

Congratulations Miss Gallacher! Miss Gallacher is expecting a baby in October and will be going on maternity leave early next session.



Parental Consultations

Many thanks to those of you who have shared your views on our Curriculum Rationale and Homework. There is still time to complete these forms, they are open until 5th May:

Curriculum Rationale: https://forms.office.com/e/pPHjdw90iG

Homework consultation: https://forms.office.com/e/3YmZidpnsu

Reporting to parents

This session we will be sending our formal reports home in term 4 via Groupcall as per the last two reports. This is a change as we had planned to send out via Parents Portal. Reports will be sent out on Friday 19th May with our parent interviews taking place on Tuesday 23rd and Wednesday 24th May. A Microsoft Form will be sent out in the first week of May for signing up for a parent interview.

I will be seeking feedback from families on our reporting process after the parent interviews to ensure that the process fits the needs of our school community.



REMINDER DATES:

Term 4

Fri 28th April – Class Newsletters out

Mon 1st May - May Day holiday

Mon 8th May – King's Coronation Holiday

Wed 10th May – P1 Induction Evening

Thurs 11th May – PPG Meeting

Sat 13th May – Spring Fair

Fri 19th May – Formal Reports to parents

Tues 23rd & Wed 24th May – Parents Night

Wed 31st May – Library Van Visit

Fri 2nd & Mon 5th June – Occasional Days – no school or nursery

Wed 14th June – Sports Day

Thurs 15th June – Back-up Sports Day

Tues 20th, Wed 21st, Thurs 22nd June – P7 Transition to Meldrum Academy

Wed 21st June – Step-up Session

Mon 26th – Thurs 29th June – P7 Residential Trip to Loch Insh

Tues 4th July – Thank you tea

Fri 7th July – Last day of term 4

Please click <u>here</u> for the annual calendar 2022/23

Parent Volunteer Thank you

Thank you to our parent volunteers, we have people donating their time to support Bikeability for our P6's & P7's, P5 Swimming sessions and various P6 events. We would not be able to run these activities if it weren't for our parent volunteers – thank you.

Throughout the year we have had a number of parents volunteer their time to support the school, for example, to cover books, sell raffles, work at disco's etc. To say thank you, we would like to invite our parent volunteers into school for an afternoon tea (tea/coffee/biscuits) on Tuesday 4th July 2023. More information about this will follow.

Collecting pupils form school

Please inform the school office or the class teacher if someone different is collecting your child at the end of the day. This is to ensure the safety of the children. Please note that pupils in P1-3 should be collected by someone over the age of 16 and should not be walking to and from school by themselves. Many thanks for your support with this.

Upcoming dates

Please note, there are a few holidays that land in term 4 this year. These are:

Monday 1st May - May Day

Monday 8th May – King's Coronation

Friday 2nd June – Occasional Day

Monday 5th June – Occasional Day

King's Coronation

To celebrate this historic event, the school and nursery will be having a tea party for the pupils in the afternoon of Friday 5th May. Classes will bake treats to share out between the classes. We hope the weather will be nice enough for us to hold this outside but we have a contingency plan of using the hall in bad weather.

Spring Fair

On Saturday 13th May Rothie School and the PPG are holding a Spring Fair. This will be from 10am to 12pm and we will be looking for pupils from each class to volunteer approx. 30 mins to work on their class stall. Please can you complete the Microsoft Form to indicate if your child is able to volunteer their time to work on their class stall:

https://forms.office.com/e/KU8Zv4ebhv

The classes, PPG and local crafters will be hosting stalls at the fair, tickets are £2:50 for adults, £1 for primary aged pupils and free for under 5's.

EPS leaflets

Aberdeenshire Educational Psychology Service have some useful leaflets on key topics that contain advice for parents and carers. The aim of these leaflets is to help parents and carers help build resilience, connections and secure attachments. These leaflets can be found here.

And Finally...

As always, please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any questions or comments via the email address rothienorman.sch@aberdeenshire.gov.uk.

Kind regards,

Mrs M Strachan, **Head Teacher**