

# Rothienorman School Newsletter

## September 2023

Dear Families,

We have had a lovely start to the term. Our P1's are enjoying school life and all other pupils are settling into their new classes.

### Staffing

Miss Gallacher will be starting her maternity leave later this month, her last day will be Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Sept. We all wish Miss Gallacher the best and are looking forward to meeting her baby. I'll update the school community when her baby arrives.

Mr Floyd is also leaving Rothienorman Primary on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Sept to move to a new school. Mr Floyd had been at the school for 15 years and is part of the furniture here, he will be greatly missed but we all wish him luck in his new school.

### Learning Journals

Many thanks to the parents who have completed the permissions for Learning Journals, we still have a few to come back. If you have not seen the red Learning Journals form, please get in touch with the school and we can send a replacement home.

We plan to launch Learning Journals later this month. Some of you have shared things with teachers already, please don't be offended that you have not had an acknowledgement or response. Please be patient with us while we get used to the new technology and find a way that works for the school community.

### Sustrans i-bike Scooter Sessions

Our upcoming Sustrans i-bike Scooter sessions are being held on the following dates:

Dates:
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> Sept
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> Sept
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct

All classes will take part in these sessions that will be held in the playground. Please ensure your child comes to school in suitable clothing for the outdoor scooter sessions. Scooters and helmets are available for pupils to use however they may take their own along for the sessions.



### REMINDER DATES:

#### Term 1

Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Sept – P1 pupils in full days

Tues 5<sup>th</sup> Sept – Scooter i-bike Sessions (all classes)

Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> Sept – PPG AGM 7pm

Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Sept - Scooter i-bike Sessions (all classes)

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> Sept – Settling in Parent's Evening

Wed 27<sup>th</sup> Sept – Library Van Visit

Tues 10<sup>th</sup> Oct - Scooter i-bike Sessions (all classes)

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Oct – Last day of term 1 & Dress Down Day

#### Term 2

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> Oct – First day of term 2

Please click [here](#) for the annual calendar 2023/24

#### The School Day

**Nursery** 8.00 am – 6.00 pm

**Primary** 9am-3:15pm

#### Breaktimes

P1/2, 2/3, 3/4 – 10:15-10:30

P4/5, 5/6, P7 – 10:35-10:50

#### Lunchtimes

P1/2, 2/3 – 12:15-1:15

P3/4, 4/5 – 12:30-1:30

P5/6, P7 – 12:50 –1:50














## PPG AGM

The PPG AGM is being held on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> Sept in the school's GP room at 7pm, we hope to see you there.



## 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](#). Here is a grid to show some of the information available on this site:

What adults can do? 	Relaxation 	Babies brains  
Self-regulation 	Managing feelings 	Emotion coaching 
Positive thinking 	Thinking skills 	Sleep 
Understanding brains 	Growth mindset 	Supporting Wellbeing 

## 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](mailto:rothienorman.sch@aberdeenshire.gov.uk).

Kind regards,

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