

August Newsletter

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Diary Dates

August

Mon 30th P1 pupils in school full days from today
9.00am - 3.15pm

September

Thurs 9th School Photos

Thurs 9th Parent Council AGM - 6:30pm

Mon 20th **HOLIDAY - School closed to all**

Thurs 23rd Parent's Evening *** Details TBC
depending on guidance may need to move
to later in term/use phone calls

October

Fri 15th End of term 1 @3.15pm

We're back!
I hope everyone
enjoyed the summer
break!

Huge Inverallochy Welcome to our new pupils... Our 21 new P1s, our new nursery children and Zander in P3. We hope you settle in and start to love our school like we do 😊

Our pupils have all returned looking very smart. We appreciate everyone's efforts in this. To ensure the children keep all of their own belongings we urge you to put names on EVERYTHING, including all outdoor jackets, PE kit items and uniform. Lost items can then be returned with ease 😊

N.B. please ensure all kilt pins are removed from skirts before wearing to school for safety reasons

Staffing Update

New Staff - We welcome Miss Amy Gammack (P3/4) and Miss Rachel West (P5/6) to our staffing team. We also welcome Mrs Sonja Christie back now as a permanent member of staff. Three valuable and welcome members to our team.

Mrs Rebecca West will be in P3/4 every Wednesday this year to cover the probationer's day out of class.

Mrs Heatherwick will continue on a Monday and Wednesday for PE and Miss McQueen will be working in Room 3,5 and 6 on a Thursday covering Health and Wellbeing. Miss McQueen will also be working alongside our probationer on Wednesdays, in a mentoring capacity.

WELLIES + OUTDOOR LEARNING

Can all children ensure they have Wellies in school - we are actively encouraging outdoor learning and suitable footwear and a waterproof jacket are essential. Each primary class will have an allocated outdoor day/session. On these days, please ensure your child has old, warm clothing on, suitable for potentially getting dirty but also suitable for the weather.

OUTDOOR DAYS FOR TERM 1

Monday - Room 5

Wednesday - Room 6

Thursday - Room 3 and Room 7

Friday - Room 1 and Room 2

Normal School Uniform should be worn for all other days in the week.





PE

We are returning to using PE kits and changing for PE lessons. Children should bring a PE kit to school which can be left on their peg. They DO NOT need to come dressed for PE

PE Kit - plain white T-shirt, plain dark shorts/leggings/joggers are fine too, suitable non-marking trainers/gym shoes.

(Please no laces unless your child can do these themselves)

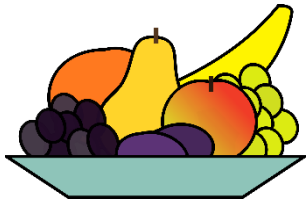
PE days for each class are as follows:

Monday and Wednesday - Room 1, 2 and 7

Monday and Friday - Room 3

Wednesday and Friday - Room 5

Thursday and Friday - Room 6



SNACKS- We continue to promote healthy snacks Mon- Thurs with a 'Eat fit yi like' Friday.

Our Snack attack tuck shop will resume properly on Monday (23rd) PSAs and P7 will be running it this session. Please ensure your child has pennies to pay for snack. The prices are as follows:

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

In line with Scottish Governemnt initiatives, our Primary 1 - 4 children will now receive free school lunches. This is completed automatically through the dinner payment system so parents do not need to do anything to access this.

HOMEWORK

Reading/Spelling homework will begin shortly. All classes will have homework out from week beginning 30th August.

Whilst we HOPE that these will not be required, ALL children will be enrolled into a new Google classroom for use at home and to ensure we keep the skills going for access this learning tool. Classes will be encouraged to access these weekly to ensure that everyone can access them and use them should they be required in a local lockdown situation. Please look out for these details being sent home via reading records in the next few weeks.

Milk	15p	
Cheese Strings	25p	
Fruit	20p	
Raisins	20p	
Cup of Fruit	20p	
Toast/bagel/pancake	15p	
Cheese and cracker	10p	
Piece of orange	5p	



Google Classroom



COVID - We are moving in the right direction but obviously the pandemic has not disappeared. Isolation rules for schools and double vaccinated adults have changed however it is vital that we continue to be vigilant in recognising symptoms and inform Test and Protect and the school of any potential cases. We worked tirelessly last session to keep COVID out of our school and I am confident that with a continued effort we can minimise the risk to our families and staff.

As always if you have anything you wish to share via this newsletter or have any comments, please contact the school office 😊