Gordon Primary Schoo February Newsletter 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

January has come and gone, very, very quickly. The children have been busy when in school but also enjoyed snow activities on snow days. Thank you very much for your patience during challenging weather. Unfortunately, only a couple of teachers live in or near Huntly and driving conditions were treacherous with falling and blowing snow.

We, also, have the challenge when it is windy because some of our trees remain unsafe. We are regularly in conversation with Landscape Services on this matter. Children are not allowed in the playground when there is any risk from high winds and unstable trees. Again, thank you for supporting us when this occurs.

Congratulations

Mrs Claire Wells has been appointed permanent DHT in Gordon Primary School. She is also Year Head to P4-P7. Well done, Mrs Wells – you had some tough competition across the process but we are delighted that you will continue to work with us in this role.

New Staff

We welcome Mrs Kate Beverly who is working with our Complex Needs and Enhanced Provision children. She is experienced in this field.

We, also, welcome Mrs Chloe Auchnie to P2.

Rugby

P6 and P7 have had some rugby lessons this term which they are thoroughly enjoying. Today, they had to remain inside due to the very wet weather.

Sports Leaders

18 x P7 pupils applied for and were interviewed for the Sports Leaders programme run by Active Schools. The following 8 were successful and will follow an 8 week programme learning leadership skills. They will then lead sports festivals for classes across the school. Well done to everyone who took part. Interviews were of a very high standard. **Congratulations to**: Faye Milne, Natalie Masson, Sophie Thomson, Ailsa Gordon-Duff, Leon Jamieson, Glenn Stewart, Kyle Plaine and Kian Smith.



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Charlie House

David from Charlie House came to visit us last week to share their new fundraising boxes with us at assembly. Within these boxes are material that will help to spread the word about the work that Charlie House do to support families within our local area, as well as promote our fundraising efforts.

Look out for the posters and bunting in school soon!



Further information about our next fundraising event will be shared shortly.

School Closure!

Please remember school will be closed from Friday 9th – Wednesday 14th February for mid-term holiday followed by two inservice days for teacher training. School will re-open on Thursday 15th February 2024. **Dates for your Diary** (more to follow in the New Year)

Friday 9th February –mid-term holiday Monday 12th February – mid-term holiday Tuesday 13th February – Inservice dav Wednesday 14th February – Inservice dav Tuesday 27th February - P1 & P7 **Dental Inspections** Friday 8th March – World Book Day Friday 15th March – Comic Relief Day Friday 22nd March – PTA Bunny Drive 3.30-5pm Wednesday 27th March – PTA Easter Disco Thursday 28th March – Easter Dress Up Day in aid of Charlie House





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