

Gordon Primary School

May Newsletter 2024



Dear Parent/Carer,

Dress Up Day

We had a 'Dress Up' days for Charlie House on the last day of Term 3. Over the two 'Dress Up' days for Charlie House this year we raised a total of £289.99. This means we have enough money for a brick. Charlie Dog will also arrive in school to visit classes at some point this term. Well done everyone.

Book Launch

P5,6 & 7 children had a fantastic day at the launch of 'The Boy, The Witch and The Queen of Scots' written by Barbara Henderson. They had an excerpt read in the castle, a castle tour and everyone had the opportunity to hold birds of prey. Barbara then came and entertained us at assembly explaining how books are created and published. She really was an entertaining speaker.

Sports Leaders continue to do a fabulous job running events for other classes in the school. The children choose what they want to do with the classes and then run the event supported by their class teacher and trainer, Ashleigh Priest, These events have been enjoyed by everyone and winners gain house points.

Lunchtime Tournament

P6 & P7 are taking part in a lunchtime house tournament involving football, netball and rounders. House points will be given out.

Judo

All children took part in Judo taster session run by Garioch Judo. Great fun was had by all. The children were all good listeners and very enthusiastic.

Parent Visits

New P1 parents came up to visit the P1 classes and find out about what will happen in P1. Gordon Rural Action came along to help parents with uniform. They have so much, please go along and see them should you need uniform for next session. Children should be in uniform unless it is their day for gym.

Parents' Evening

Thank you to all parents who came to find out about their child/ren's progress. We had a good turnout. Please remember we have an open- door policy and should you have any concerns then please get in touch.

Take One Pick

P3-P7 are taking part in The National Gallery project looking at 'Cornfields' by Constable and creating artwork based on children's choice and input. We are interested to see how the children choose to tackle this piece of work. Artwork will be displayed in a central location in Huntly in the middle of August. More details will follow when a venue has been decided upon.

Sunny days

We have finally been blessed with some good weather. Please remember that we are often outside in good weather, and children are out at break and lunchtimes. This means they are better to have suncream on before coming to school, sunhats, sunglasses and have their water bottle with them. School staff do not put suncream onto children.



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Please check the diary list for events this term. It is certainly a busy one. Class teachers will give you more information about the class trips. If Sport's Days have to be changed due to bad weather, then Thursday 6th June will be the next choice.

Please do not take photos at Sports Day.

As ever, thank you for your continued support; looking forward to an excellent summer term.

Kind regards
Debbie Ewen, Headteacher.

Ongoing friendly reminders Road Safety

Thank you to all parents who are now bringing their children to the back door of the glass corridor. This is greatly helping. No child (with or without parents) should be crossing the carpark.

Latecomers - Reminder

If you are running late we will keep playground doors open until 9.10am. If you are later than this, then please bring your children to the back door of the glass corridor. Do not drop off in the school carpark. There should be no need for parental cars to be in the carpark. Please be aware that lateness disrupts the start of the school day for your own child and the rest of the class. Please try to be on time. It is not okay to be consistently late to school.

Parking on pavements – now unlawful

We have been informed that parents continue to park in an inappropriate manner when dropping off their children making it unsafe for children to try to cross roads safely. Please do not park on pavements, double yellow lines, school markings and stick to the 20 miles per hour at school times.

It may well be that the police come along to see if parents are being cautious and obeying the law.

Dates for your Diary

Friday 24th May – Tour Guides performance for P6 & P7

Monday 3rd June – Holiday

Tuesday 4th June P1-P4 Sports' Day (Parents' welcome) 9.30am.

Wednesday 5th June P5-7 Sport's Day 9.30am (Parents welcome)

Sunday 9th June – Wednesday 12th June – P7 residential trip to Dalguise

Wednesday 12th June – P1 Storyteller visit

Wednesday 12th June – P5 trip to Forvie

Thursday 20th June – Tour Guides at Huntly Castle – P6 & P7 parents invited.

Friday 21st June – Critter Keeper – P2/3 & P3

Tuesday 25th June – P4 trip to Leith Hall

Wednesday 26th June – Step Up Day tbc

Thursday 27th June – P6 trip to Landmark

Tuesday 2nd July – P7 Prizegiving Assembly – 2pm

Thursday 4th July – PTA Summer Disco

Friday 5th July – P7 Leaver's Parade 9.45am on the avenue