

Gordon Primary School

June Newsletter 2024



Dear Parent/Carer,

As another school year draws to a close, I would like the opportunity to thank everyone for taking part in a successful year at Gordon Primary School.

A great big thank you to parents for all the support you give us and to all our marvellous pupils who work and play very hard all year.

Thank you to all the teachers, PSAs, Early Years colleagues, DHTs, admin, canteen, janitors and cleaners who all help make everything possible.

I would, also, like to take this opportunity to thank the PTA and Parent Council who provide financial support and, also, ensure the parent voice is heard.

We would like to give a special thanks to:-

- Sinclairs the Bakers – for fabulous Halloween cupcakes
- ASDA, Huntly for donations to school
- Tesco, Huntly for donations to school
- Gordon Primary School Parent Council for their ongoing support
- Gordon Primary School PTA for P7 hoodies, donations to class trips, fundraising discos, hampers and ongoing support
- Deveron Arts for their support with Take One Pic.

Thanks also to Zoe, Meghan, Sophie, Bhavya and Jake from P5B who represented their class and the ideas of Gordon Primary School pupils on what changes can be made in Huntly to make the locality better in their eyes. They took

part in a community event at The Linden Centre and then Zoe, Meghan and Holly spoke to the Town Planning meeting and at the Huntly Just Transitions Communities project last Saturday. A great experience for them trying to progress the pupils' ideas for Huntly. Well done everyone. Thanks to Ms McLeod for her support.

Great fun has been had by the children on class trips and P7s in Dalguise. P5 thoroughly enjoyed Forvie Nature reserve. P4s are off to Leith Hall tomorrow (Tuesday 25th) and P6s to Landmark on Thursday 27th. P1, P1/2 and P2A have a 'fun day' next Wednesday 3rd July with lots happening while P2/3 and P3 had a visit from the Critter Keeper and will go to the Nordic Centre for more fun on Friday 28th June.

Step Up morning is happening on Wednesday 26th. We have been given our staffing allocation and set classes accordingly. Children will find out on the day and postcards will be sent by Groupcall on Wednesday to inform parents of their child's teacher for next session. As usual lots of time and thought have gone into trying to get this right for all the children.

Staffing

Congratulations to Ms R Cameron P1/2 on the birth of her daughter.

Congratulations to Mrs E Rathbone, Intervention & Prevention teacher on the birth of her daughter.

Best Wishes to:

Mrs Bartlett P1 who is due to have her baby in September; may she have a restful summer ☺



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Hot weather this week:

Please put sunscreen on before coming to school and ensure children are wearing suitable clothing including hats where possible. Water bottles also essential. Children are outside a lot at this time of year doing a variety of activities.

Further happenings for P7s:

- **P7 Transition** Visits to The Gordon Schools this week.
- **P7 only Prizegiving** – Tuesday 2nd July at 2pm – P7 parents welcome.
- **P7 Deveron Picnic** – Wednesday 3rd July – bring suitable clothing and sun protector/brolly
- **P7 t shirt signing** – Thursday 4th July
- **P7 Disco** – Thursday 4th -8-9pm
- **P7 Leavers Parade** – Friday 5th July at 9.30am. Pupils will parade from Cooper Park and be piped through the arch, walk around the monument and back to meet Mr Gaiter, HT TGS. Families of P7 are very welcome to attend.

Dates for your diary:

P7 dates as above.

Thursday 4th July – Disco

P1-P3 6-6.45

P4-6 7-7.45

P7 8-9

Final day of school – Friday 5th July. School closes at 3.10pm.

Prefect elections:

These will occur early next term as we trial to see how this works.

Prizewinners information will come out next week, along with winning house.

School Crossing Patrollers

Just a reminder that there will be no school crossing patrollers from August. It is parents responsibility to ensure their children get to school safely. It might be a good idea to work with parents you know to support each other with getting your children to school.

Traffic Restricted Zones

You might have seen in the paper that Huntly is being considered for traffic restricted zones at the beginning and end of the school day. This is currently just a proposition and the actual roads restricted requires a consultation process. It may well come into being but not for at least 6 months.

Pelican Crossing

In the meantime, Parent Council and PTA are interested in whether or not you think a Pelican Crossing would be a good idea. Please complete the attached questionnaire via the link to state if you think this is a good solution.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=BpPZ_i1NCUSVndDttzBKCy8xnY0IjplNjl6cA4X13sVUN0pTQk1MWUVD0UFWR0JJSEs1MTdJTVINVy4u

Thankyou.

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