

June 2016

Marykirk Primary



Holidays

Term Ends Fri 1st July

Term begins Tue 16th Aug
(Mon 15th for staff)

Term Ends Fri 7th Oct

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to the last newsletter of the session. This has been a very busy year and a particularly busy term 4. I hope everyone enjoys the summer break and that the sun shines wherever you are!

Staffing Changes

We are sorry to be saying goodbye to Mrs Morrison, our Art Specialist, and Mrs Quinn, our French Specialist. Good luck in your new posts. We also have to say goodbye to Mrs Lawie, who has been in school on a temporary basis since January. We would like to say a big thank you for the help and support you have given to the school. We will miss you all and wish you well for the future. Mrs Eeles will be starting with us in the new term and will be in school on Mondays in the PSA role. We look forward to welcoming her in August.

End of Term Service

Thank you to all parents and friends who attended our end of term service and prize giving. It was lovely to see so many people in church and we hope you enjoyed the service. Special thanks to Ms. Robertson and Mrs Edgar for helping with our songs.

Sports Day

We were very fortunate that the weather stayed sunny for our rescheduled sports day. Well done to everyone who took part. This year our Sports Trophies were awarded to Leah Tait and Chase Diack (P1-4) and Oliver Greig and Sophie Adair (P5-7). The effort and enthusiasm from all the pupils helped to make the afternoon a huge success and our daily mile has certainly promoted pupils' fitness and stamina as could be seen by those competing in the half mile and mile cross country race.

Every child has the right to relax, play and join in a wide range of cultural and artistic activities.

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Guinea Pig/Garden Rota

Thank you to our volunteers for offering to help look after Cloutie and Dumpling, as well as the garden, over the holidays. The rota has now been issued.

Farm to Fork Trail

We had a very informative visit to Tesco in Montrose and took part in the Farm to Fork Trails. Thank you to Tesco for organising the trails.

Health Week

Our health week was very successful with our pupils taking part in a variety of activities. Unfortunately a few had to be cancelled due to the weather. We were very pleased that some parents managed to join us for our community walk and hope to see you at the next one!

K'Nex challenge - Wednesday 29th June 2016

Our pupils had a fun morning making K'nex towers. Please ask them about it.

New Term

We have enjoyed the visits from our new P1s and look forward to welcoming them into school in August. Mrs Thomson and Mrs Anderson will be teaching the P1-3 class and Mrs Ogilvie and Mrs Wood will be teaching the P4-7 class.

RSPB Visit

The RSPB visited on 23rd June and we had an informative afternoon learning about mini beasts and their habitats. We will be looking next session at how we can attract more insects and birds to our playground by planting more flowers, making bird feeders and installing a bird bath.

School Meals

Please note that the cost of a school meal for P4-7s will rise to £2.15 in August. P1-3 continue to get free meals. Menus can be found on the Aberdeenshire Council website.

Aberdeenshire Activities

There are a lot of activities going on within Aberdeenshire over the summer. The guide can be found on the website - <http://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/media/17060/summer-activities-guide-2016.pdf>

Please do not hesitate to contact the school should you have any queries. Thank you for your continued support and have a lovely summer holiday.

Fiona Thomson.
Head Teacher.

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Thank you for all the support the MPCC have given the school over the past year. Through their hard work and fundraising we have managed to purchase 5 new laptops, subsidise school trips and transport to swimming.

Comments, Compliments, Concerns

Tell us what you think! We want to hear good or bad! We are always trying to improve. Please write below.

Name Date