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Welcome back!

We hope you all had an enjoyable summer holiday despite the weather. It was good to see the children happy to be back at school. They all looked so smart in their new school uniforms. A reminder - please name all the new school clothes so they can be returned to the rightful owners if misplaced. Thank you.

Staffing

We would like to welcome our new teachers to Rosehearty School, Miss Lynda Devine and Miss Molly Curtis. Miss Devine has transferred from Monquhitter Primary School and will teach P5 and Miss Curtis is newly qualified and will be teaching P1B four days each week. We would also like to welcome back Mrs Cheyne from Maternity leave, Mrs Cheyne will teach P4 for two days each week and P1B for one day each week to allow Miss Curtis to take part in professional development activities working towards full registration as a teacher.

We are also pleased to welcome the Visiting Specialist Teachers for this term:

Drama – Ms K Potts

H&W – Mrs M Buchan

Music – Ms L McConnachie

Art – Mrs E Campbell

ICT – Mrs D Grant

School Meals

The cost of a school meal has increased to **£2.20** from August 2017. Schools meals for P1–P3 pupils are free, meals for pupils in P4-P7 should be paid for using the online iPayimpact payment system. Please ensure your account remains in credit at all times.

Primary 1

The new Primary 1 pupils have settled into school life very well and have completed 2 weeks of attending school in the morning only. From Monday 4th September 2017 they will be in school all day from 9am – 3.15pm.

Parent Council

The first meeting this session of the PTC will be held on **Wednesday 6th September 2017 at 6pm** in the school conference room. All parents are welcome to come to this meeting, it would be especially good to see parents of our new P1 pupils. Please come along and find out how you can help with Parent Council activities. It is not a big time commitment as there is usually just one meeting per term

Parent Council AGM

The Parent Council AGM is to be held on **Tuesday 19th September 2017 at 6.00pm** in the school conference room. All parents and



members of the general public are welcome to come to this meeting. Please come along – and bring a friend!

Annual Data Check & Medical Updates Collection

Separate letters have been issued to all families so that we can check that all our medical notes and information held are up to date. Please check the form and make any amendments then return it to school by **Friday 8th September 2017** even if there are no medical issues. Thank you.

We would also like to update the school library with amended contact details (ie names/addresses/contact numbers). If you **DO NOT** agree to the school sharing this information with the library please contact the school office in writing advising this by **Friday 8th September 2017**.

Sports for Champions

Pupils will be taking part in a sponsored fitness circuit with Scottish Judoka, Kimberley Renicks on **Thursday 7th September 2017**. Please return your sponsor forms no later than Thursday morning.

School Uniform

We are delighted to see many pupils wearing school uniform. The pupils look very smart. If you require additional uniform please contact the school office and we can arrange for an order to be placed. Homework bags are also available to order during the year. Please remember to name all items of school uniform.

Please note it is still acceptable to wear sweatshirts, jumpers,

cardigans and hoodies in the school colour of grey with no school logo. School colours for polo shirts is white and navy and/or white shirts/blouses with no school logo.

PE Kits

Please can we request that PE kits are brought to school on Monday each week and left in school until Friday when they can be taken home to be washed. For Health and Safety reasons it is important that pupils have an appropriate PE kit of - trainers or gym shoes with **non marking soles**, gym shorts (not denim), gym t-shirt that covers shoulders. Hair bands should be provided for long hair and ear rings should be covered with micro porous tape or removed.

Bus Pupils

Bus pupils should **NOT** be removed from the bus lines as they exit school through the front entrance. Notice must be given to the school preferably in writing or by telephone or in person if your child will not be catching the bus any given day. The pupil will then be allowed to exit through the normal pupil entrance/exit so you can collect them from the playground. Thank you!

Attendance

Attendance at school is closely monitored by Aberdeenshire Council and it is important to arrive at school for 9am each day. It is also important for family holidays to be taken within the school holidays as time off for holiday during the school term is recorded as unauthorised absence. Pupils can also miss significant parts of their learning and it is not possible for



teachers to go over what has been missed.

Getting It Right For Dyslexia Getting It Right For All

Parent information evening,
**Thursday 7th September 2017 at
Lochpots Primary School 6.30-
8pm.**

Pupils Rights Respecting Committee Wanted

Pupils have just registered into different Global Groups and currently we are working on our Level 2 Award for Rights Respecting Schools (RRSA). We would like **parent volunteers** to join the 2017-18 committee to help pupils, parents and the community learn about Children's Rights. If you would like to be part of the committee please let the school office know and we will contact you to join us in our global groups on Monday's. For more information about RRSA please see the attached pamphlet.

Article 15 – Every child has the right to meet with other children and to join groups and organisations as long as this does not stop other people from enjoying their rights.

After School Clubs

Our Active Schools Co-ordinator Kelly Green has worked with the school to arrange the following after school clubs for terms 1 & 2. Our aim is to organise a school netball team to can take part in local league competitions. You can register for these clubs at:

www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/request/active-schools/active-schools-online-form-fraserburgh/

Or contact

Kelly.green@aberdeenshire.gov.uk

Wednesday Netball P3-7

Thursday Basketball P3-7

Flu Jab

The NHS are offering all pupils in P1 -7 the Flu Jab and a letter providing information was issued to each pupil last week. The Flu Jab is optional and parents/carers are required to give their consent before it will be administered.

Please can we ask that you complete and return the consent form in the letter pack by **Friday 8th September 2017.**

Please complete and return the form even if you **do not** wish your child to receive the Flu Jab by indicating this in the options on the letter.

St Drostan's Pilgrimage

Families are invited to take part in a morning coastal pilgrims walk from East Mains Farm to New Aberdour. Walkers to meet at New Aberdour Village Hall on Saturday 16th September 2017 at 9.30am.

Smoke Free Grounds

As of the 15th August 2016, all Education & Children's Services sites shall be Smoke Free Grounds. Parents, carers and members of the community using any area of the school, grounds and car park should refrain from smoking.

National Survey - Free Early Learning & Childcare in Scotland

The Scottish Government is planning to nearly double the hours of free early learning and childcare by 2020. Because the views of parents and carers are crucial for the success of this expansion, the Government has commissioned independent researchers to undertake a survey of as many parents of 0-5 year old children in



your community as possible. Here is the survey link (www.bit.ly/elc-survey)

All parents taking part will have the opportunity to be entered into a prize draw and have the chance to win one of 10 x £100 cash prizes.

The survey is carried out for the Scottish Government by Craigforth, an independent research company. If you have any questions about this survey please send a message to: survey@craigforth.co.uk

Parentzone Scotland

The website provides up-to-date information about learning in Scotland and practical advice and ideas to support children's learning at home. The website is available to all parents and can be accessed at www.ParentzoneScotland.com

School Events: August - October 2017

6 th September 2017	Parent Council 1 st Meeting
7 th September 2017	Sports For Champions UK
16 th September 2017	St Drostan's Pilgrimage
29 th September 2017	MacMillan Coffee Afternoon
2 nd October 2017	Flu Immunisations - TBC
11 th October 2017	Scholastic Book Fair
11 th October 2017	Parent/Teacher Meetings 6pm – 8.30pm
12 th October 2017	Parent/teacher Meetings 3.30 – 6pm
31 st October 2017	Halloween Disco 4.30 – 6pm

School Holidays: Session 2017/2018

16 th – 27 th October 2017 inclusive	October Holiday
13 th November 2017	INSET Day
14 th November 2017	INSET Day
25 th December 2017 – 5 th January 2018 inclusive	Christmas Holiday
12 th February 2018	Holiday
13 th February 2018	INSET Day
30 th March 2018	Holiday
2 nd – 13 th April 2018 inclusive	Easter Holiday
7 th May 2018	Holiday
9 th July – 17 th August 2018 inclusive	Summer Holiday
20 th August 2018	INSET Day
21 st August 2018	School Starts for 2018/19 session



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Rosehearty School Values



Honest

Endeavour

Achieve

Respect

Trust