

Gourdon Primary School Newsletter



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Happy New Year and welcome back everyone. I hope you have all had a peaceful and relaxing holiday. Already we are straight into a busy term. On behalf of myself and my staff, a very special and humble thank you for all the lovely gifts we received at the end of term. We are all very touched that you would think about us at such a busy time of year.

As always, I endeavour to keep you all up to date with what's happening and share relevant information as soon as possible.

Please contact the school with any questions or queries you might have about any of the items in our newsletter.

Miss A Wells
Head Teacher

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Last term was very busy with festive events and although we could not share these with you directly, we hope you were able to enjoy them via See Saw.



Each term brings with it many changes, but I am again so grateful for our school full of enthusiastic and positive minded pupils, dedicated and hard working staff and a committed and supportive community.

Thank you all for your continued support.

SCOTTISH CELEBRATIONS



All classes have begun their Scottish Heritage learning this term, which include looking at our place in Scotland, our traditions, Scots language and Scottish dancing and singing.

All pupils will be invited to learn and perform a Scottish poem this term. Finalists will be selected from each stage and then judged to select an overall winner from each stage. I wish everyone the best of luck to everyone and to try their best.

We are hoping to have a Scottish celebration day within school, with dancing poetry and singing and will share this event with our families via See Saw.

P5/6/7 classes will be engaging with a Youth Music Initiative project this term which aims to allow pupils to create their own music, make musical instruments and perform to their peers. We look forward to sharing their learning with you via See Saw.

PE DAYS

P1/2 and P5/6/7s will have PE on a Tuesday.

P3/4 will have PE on a Wednesday.



SCHOOL CLUBS

We are able to offer the following after school clubs this term due to the support of staff and parents.

Thursday: Euro Lunchtime Club at 12.30pm to 1.00pm.

Friday: Netball for P4 to P7 at Bervie Sport Centre at 4pm to 5pm with Mrs Shakespeare and parent helpers.

Any pupils and parents wishing to start, and support can complete the online form being emailed home this week.

STAFFING

We welcome Mrs J Crowe to our school on a Thursday each week. Mrs Crowe is our new Additional Support for Learning (ASL) teacher as Mrs Gray is retiring.

Mrs Russon is unable to re-join us at present and so Mrs MacFarlane and myself continue to plan and teach the class. Mrs MacFarlane will be working Monday, Tuesday of each week instead of Thursdays and Fridays.

Mrs Buck will also be leaving her post and we thank her for her many years of service in supporting school lunches.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 5th January—Term 3 begins

Wednesday 9th February —holidays school closed to staff and pupils.

Thursday 10th February —holidays school closed to staff and pupils.

Friday 11th February —holidays school closed to staff and pupils.

Monday 14th February—holidays school closed to staff and pupils.

Tuesday 15th February —Inset days, school closed to pupils.

Wednesday 16th February—Inset days, school closed to pupils.

Friday 18th March—Red Nose Day

Friday 1st April—Term 3 ends

Monday 18th April—Term 4 begins

Thursday 2nd June—May Day Holiday

Friday 3rd June—Queen's Platinum Jubilee Holiday

Friday 1st July—Term 4 ends

