

# Newsletter Kellands School

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'Poetry is not only dream and vision; it is the skeleton architecture of our lives. It lays the foundations for a future of change, a bridge across our fears of what has never been before.'

Audre Lorde

## Learning Journeys

A huge 'Thank You' to all the parents who have been in this term to help with making up the Learning Journey folders.

## P2 Trip to Dundee



Captain Henderson and her P2 Crew had an amazing time down in Dundee visiting the tall ship. They were learning about the RRS Discovery and how the ship was used and how the crew used to live. A big thank you to Mrs Hay for our packed lunches and all the parent helpers that made our epic journey possible! We did make it home eventually!

## Forest School



Miss Shand is currently studying for a forest school qualification. This term she has taken a group of children to the Back O'Bennachie to help raise their awareness of the forest and outdoors. The children have had lots of fun learning about the forest and have taken part in activities such as bark rubbing, learning about poisonous plants found in the woods and collecting natural materials. The final week the children gathered materials and learned how to build a fire. They then toasted marshmallows on the fire and enjoyed them with hot chocolate for snack. A big thank you to Mikaela Forman who joined the group each week. Next term another group of ten children will have the chance to explore the forest on a weekly basis.

### School Lunch Menu (Autumn Winter 2016/17)

The Autumn Winter 2016/17 menu, display sheets (pictures of the meals used in class) and other information will be available for viewing at the beginning of the October holiday on the Aberdeenshire Council School Meals web pages at:

[www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/schools/meals/primary-and-special-school-meals/](http://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/schools/meals/primary-and-special-school-meals/)

## NEIL MACKAY "TAKING THE HELL OUT OF HOMEWORK"



Event to be held at the following time, date and location:  
Tuesday, 15 November 2016 from 18:00 to 20:00 (GMT)  
Meldrum Academy, Oldmeldrum, AB51 0NT

Dyslexia Scotland North East are pleased to welcome Neil Mackay, a worldwide renowned expert in dyslexia, to Meldrum Academy. Neil will lead a session for parents based on his book "Taking the hell out of homework" where he will offer ideas to support typical homework tasks such as learning spellings, dealing with comprehension and getting ideas down on paper amongst others. Neil will also offer his "inspirational" take on dyslexia where he looks at its strengths.

**Bookings must be made through Meldrum Academy (to manage audience numbers).**

### AFCCT October Holiday Camps - Garioch Sports Centre

There are still spaces available for both football camps at the Garioch Sports Centre. Please book early as spaces are limited.

#### **Monday 17th to Friday 21st October**

Garioch Sports Centre

10am - 4pm

£100

#### **Monday 17th to Friday 21st October**

Garioch Sports Centre - **Girls Only**

10am - 4pm

£100

Please see below for further October camps taking place in Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire over the 2 weeks:

<http://www.afccommunitytrust.org/contact/how-to-book.php>

## **Macduff Marine Aquarium - Shark Season**

For a timetable of events over the October Holidays please visit the links below

[www.macduff-aquarium.org.uk](http://www.macduff-aquarium.org.uk)

[www.facebook.com/macduffmarineaquarium](https://www.facebook.com/macduffmarineaquarium)

## **Proposed Extension to The Garioch Sports and Community Centre Public Exhibition**

Will be held on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> Oct 2016 - 7.30pm - 9.00pm at Inverurie Garioch Sports Centre.  
All welcome.

## **Jasmin Vardimon Company presents Pinocchio this Saturday at HMT Aberdeen**

Based on the original book by Collodi and performed by Vardimon's multi-talented dancers, Pinocchio will bring to life the famous marionette as he embarks on a fantastic journey to become a human boy.

**Sat 8<sup>th</sup> Oct 7.30pm**

**Tickets:** £17 inc booking fee

**Concessions:** £2 off

**Family of 4:** £15 per ticket inc booking fee

<http://www.aberdeenperformingarts.com/events/jasmin-var-dimon-company-pinocchio>

## **Aberdeen Arts Centre & Theatre**

The Autumn Festival runs from Monday 10<sup>th</sup> - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2016 and offers a series of classes for children aged 3-16 covering a range of activities including song, dance, drama and animation. If you require more information about the Festival or any of the classes, call 01224 635208.

## **Sound Festival - Scotland's Festival of New Music (20<sup>th</sup> Oct - 6<sup>th</sup> Nov)**

For further info and to apply to take part in Singing Shakespeare or Go Compose, go to [www.sound-scotland.co.uk/participate](http://www.sound-scotland.co.uk/participate) or email [admin@sound-scotland.co.uk](mailto:admin@sound-scotland.co.uk) or call 01330 826526.

## **From all of the Staff**

A big thank you to parents and helpers for their support over the last term. Enjoy the holidays and we will see you all on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October.