

# Newsletter Kellands School

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*"I hope that in this year to come, you make mistakes.*

*Because if you are making mistakes, then you are making new things, trying new things, learning, living, pushing yourself, changing yourself, changing your world. You're doing things you've never done before, and more importantly, you're Doing Something.*

*So that's my wish for you, and all of us, and my wish for myself. Make New Mistakes. Make glorious, amazing mistakes. Make mistakes nobody's ever made before. Don't freeze, don't stop, don't worry that it isn't good enough, or it isn't perfect, whatever it is: art, or love, or work or family or life.*

*Whatever it is you're scared of doing, Do it.*

*Make your mistakes, next year and forever."*

— Neil Gaiman

**Happy New Year!**

We would like to wish all parents, children, 'friends of Kellands - Near and Far -, and to all staff a very Happy New Year, which we hope will be an exciting, rewarding and fun time at Kellands.



## P1 Registration

**Registration week for Primary 1 is 15<sup>th</sup> January – 19<sup>th</sup> January 2018.**

All children who reach their 5<sup>th</sup> birthday by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019 are invited to register for Primary 1 for admission in August 2018. All forms will be available from the school office on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January.

## Nurseries for 3 and 4 year olds

If your child was born between 1st March 2014 and 29th February 2016, they are entitled to a funded nursery place in the school term 2018-2019.

**The application period is from 22nd January to 2nd February 2018.**

Depending on when your child turns 3, the dates when they are eligible for a nursery place will differ. Children who are 3 before:

- 31st August are eligible in August of that year
- 31st December are eligible in January of the next year
- 28th February are eligible in April of that year

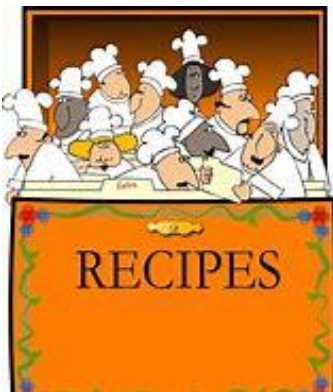
**All forms will be available from the school office on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January**

## Community Partnership Working

2018 will see a very important link up between Kellands School and 'The Garioch Partnership' and Inverurie CLD.

A big part of this will be where the Garioch Partnership will be engaging with the wider Kellands community to develop a 'Community Plan' for 2018. This will be an exciting year and I hope you will engage with this so we can create a stronger and more inclusive Kellands Community, looking at all aspects of life, education and leisure; and how we can improve the Kellands Community.

## Kelland's Family Cookbook



As part of this we want Kelland's school to be central to the community with an open, inclusive atmosphere where we want all our 'Kellands family' to feel part of and engaged with. Strong parental engagement is very important to us and we want to create a welcoming family ethos to the school where we are all **working, sharing and learning together.**

We want to create a Kelland's family cookbook, with ALL our Kelland's families sharing a favourite family recipe from the past or present. We will then produce a Kellands family cookbook for all our families and are hoping to have a celebratory open/International Cafe day in term 4 celebrating the diversity of our 'Kellands Family', with the launch of the cookbook and hopefully some chefs preparing some of our meals.

We will also be asking as many families as we can to be involved in the preparation of the book as possible. This will be a joint venture with the School, parent and pupil councils, Garioch Partnership (Dawn Brown) and Inverurie CLD (Lorna Forsyth).

### **So what do we need you to do?**

Share with us a family recipe and return to school before the end of January with a photograph if possible (of meal/family/preparation of meal - anything). A proforma will be sent out next week. You can attach a photo with the recipe or send as an attachment to the school by e mail.

**WE WOULD REALLY LOVE IT IF EVERY FAMILY COULD SUBMIT A RECIPE.**

(This is not a fund raising event as we acquired grant funding but just a chance to celebrate the Kellands school community)

**Happy recipe writing and cooking!!!**

## RUN Garioch 2018



It's not long now until Inverurie's running event, Run Garioch returns, with the 2018 event taking place on Sunday 25th March

We have joined forces with Active Schools as we look to enhance the experience that all children receive from the event

2018 will see the creation of brand new routes for all races, with the following categories available to schools

Category 1 - ages 4, 5, 6 - 600m

Category 2 - ages 7, 8, 9 - 1000m

Category 3 - ages 10, 11, 12 - 2000m

Our Vision is to "exist to provide an opportunity for all to participate in running, encouraging healthy lifestyles and empowering our young people and volunteers"

Run Garioch also provides schools with a great opportunity to fundraise.

Children can sign up via [www.rungarioch.co.uk](http://www.rungarioch.co.uk),

### ACTIVE SCHOOLS PROGRAMME

The Active Schools Cluster Club programme for term 3 is now open for booking. We have a range of activities on offer, from tennis to hockey, bowls to yoga and more! Cluster clubs are open to pupils from any school within the network, please see the attached flyer for details of the clubs on offer. We still have spaces available across the Cluster Club programme (with exception of athletics and basketball), it would be great to see some new faces along at the clubs! Anyone who is interested in booking a space for any activity can book online using the link below:

<https://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/apply/active-schools/active-schools-online-form-inverurie/>

## Kellands Active School Clubs

### **Kellands Football**

P4-P7 - 3:15pm-4:15pm

Location: Kellands School

Boys Session Dates: Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January, Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February, Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February, Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March

Girls Session Date: Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January, Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February, Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March

Dodgeball will be re-starting on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January at 3:15pm.

### **Kellands Dodgeball**

P2-P3 - 3:15pm-4:15pm

Location: Kellands School

Session Dates: Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January - Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2018 (Please note Dodgeball is running up until the February Holiday only)

Information on Kelland's lunchtime and after school clubs.

- Chess will resume on Wednesday 315 - 415 (P4-7)
- Running Club (Tuesday Lunchtime)
- Art Club (Monday after school 315 -415)
- Code Club (Monday after school 315 - 415)
- Ukulele Club (Tuesday/Wednesday lunchtimes)
- Netball (Thursday after school 315 - 415)

NB - There will be a letter going out about choir starting in term 3 and we are looking at the possibility of running a 'Chinese lunchtime club and also a Table tennis club.

Unfortunately due to illness we have had to cancel the 'Rock Challenge' this year but it will be back in 2018/19

We are delighted to be offering so many different opportunities for the children but this can only be done with the outstanding work of our teachers and parental volunteers.

If you would like to be involved in helping with any of the clubs or have an idea about running a club please contact the office. Thank you.

### **SCILL (Supporting Children in Learning for Life)**

Please click here [scill-newsletter-december-2017](#) for the SCILL (Supporting Children in Learning for Life) Newsletter December 2017.

For further information, please see the Newsletter, visit our website at <http://www.scill-deeside.co.uk/>, email [scill-deeside@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:scill-deeside@tiscali.co.uk) or phone on 07913 326816.

### **GYMTASTIX**

Places available for preschool and after school classes at Kellands led by experienced and fully qualified gymnastics coaches affiliated to British gymnastics.

For more information email [gymtastix@hotmail.com](mailto:gymtastix@hotmail.com)

See facebook Gymtastix Inverurie and Ellon

Tel or txt 07563526421

### **LEGO MASTERS**

Do you have what it takes to be the best Lego builder? Do you love to build awesome creations? We are looking for brick obsessed pairs of all ages to register interest in the second series of Lego masters on Chanel 4 to find Britain's most talented amateur builders. Please email [build@tuesdayschild.tv](mailto:build@tuesdayschild.tv) to register your interest. If you are under 18 please ask a parent to register on your behalf. All applicants must be +9.

### **AFCCT Garioch Projects**

For an update on all the AFCCT Garioch Projects being delivered, please follow the link - <http://www.afccommunitytrust.org/news/10364.php#.WINxDORFDmQ>

For more information on AFCCT please visit our website - <http://www.afccommunitytrust.org/home.php>

## School Closures

### 1. ABERDEENSHIRE WEBSITE

<https://online.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/Apps/schools-closures/> (the web page is re-set at 4.00pm every day to be clear for next day's information). **We recommend you register for free to receive email alerts when the school updates their closure status.**

### 2. THE SCHOOL INFORMATION LINE

Dial 0370 054 4999

Enter Kellands code 021940

Follow instructions

*calls cost approx 8p  
per minute peak, 5p  
cheap from  
landlines - mobile  
rates may vary*

### 3. TWITTER/FACEBOOK

twitter@kellandsps

<http://twitter.com/aberdeenshire>

facebook@kellandsprimaryschool

<https://en-gb.facebook.com/kellandsprimaryschool/>

### 4. SCHOOL TEXT MESSAGING

We will use Groupcall to message all parents in the event of a closure.

### 5. RADIO STATIONS

Out with school hours, your local radio station is a good place to find closure information. Popular stations are:

**Northsound 1 Northsound 2 BBC Radio Scotland**

FM 96.9 MW 1035kHz FM 92.4-94.7

**Original NECR**

FM 106 FM 97.1-106.4

Parents from rural areas should keep the school informed of weather conditions and be prepared to pick up their children if any danger is imminent. Transported children are the responsibility of the hirers, drivers and passenger assistants are aware that:

- Pupils have to be conveyed to their homes
- Pupils can only be left at an address which has been prearranged and authorised by the parent
- Pupils should be taken back to school in the failure of either of the above.

**If conditions deteriorate during school hours please have arrangements in place for children to be collected and signed out by an adult in the event of a closure.**

<b>KELLANDS HOLIDAY DATES</b>	
<b>FRIDAY 9TH FEBRUARY 2018</b>	<b>OCCASIONAL DAY</b>
<b>MONDAY 12TH FEBRUARY 2018</b>	<b>MID TERM HOLIDAY</b>
<b>TUESDAY 13TH FEBRUARY 2018</b>	<b>IN-SERVICE DAY</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY 14TH FEBRUARY 2018</b>	<b>IN-SERVICE DAY</b>
<b>THURSDAY 29TH MARCH 2018</b>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSES FOR EASTER HOLIDAYS</b>
<b>MONDAY 16TH APRIL 2018</b>	<b>SCHOOL RE-OPENS</b>
<b>MONDAY 7TH MAY 2018</b>	<b>MAY DAY HOLIDAY</b>
<b>MONDAY 4TH JUNE 2018</b>	<b>OCCASIONAL DAY</b>
<b>FRIDAY 6TH JULY 2018</b>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSES FOR SUMMER</b>
<b>MONDAY 20TH AUGUST 2018</b>	<b>IN-SERVICE DAY</b>
<b>TUESDAY 21ST AUGUST 2018</b>	<b>SCHOOL RE-OPENS</b>
<b>FRIDAY 12TH OCTOBER 2018</b>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSES FOR OCTOBER HOLIDAYS</b>
<b>MONDAY 29TH OCTOBER 2018</b>	<b>SCHOOL RE-OPENS</b>
<b>MONDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2018</b>	<b>IN-SERVICE DAY</b>
<b>TUESDAY 13TH NOVEMBER 2018</b>	<b>IN-SERVICE DAY</b>
<b>FRIDAY 21ST DECEMBER 2018</b>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSES FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS</b>
<b>MONDAY 7TH JANUARY 2019</b>	<b>SCHOOL RE OPENS</b>
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