

Newsletter

Kellands School

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How far that little candle throws its beams! So shines a good deed in a naughty world.

William Shakespeare

If you set out to do a good deed, you may do a hundred small kindnesses on the way.

Sarah Doudney

Assembly - Good Deeds

Today's Assembly was all about good deeds and how important it is to do acts of kindness for people without looking for a reward. Recently we have had the race for life and to all your kind deeds in supporting this, children off their own backs raising money for the Rock challenge at Christmas Fair and the children running the coffee shop and book fair because they wanted parents to have a more enjoyable experience. We often see children doing good deeds big and small and always try and encourage kindness at Kellands

P6B Enterprise - Café and Book Fair

P6B did a great job running the book fair and the café at parent interviews. I hope you enjoyed the service and this is something we will look into doing in the future.

The book fair made £1077.64

The café raised £264.34

This a great achievement and thank you for all your help and support, again a phenomenal good deed from our parent community and so appreciated.

Parent Interviews

It was lovely for the senior management team to try and get round as many of our parents as we could, to say hello, at the parent interviews this week. We really hope you found these sessions useful and by working together we can support and teach the children the best way that we can. If there is anything you ever need to talk to us about please get in touch with the school. Thank you again for your attendance and for your support for Kellands School.

Table Tennis at Kellands

The P7s have been learning about how to play table tennis and been having a great time. Thank you to the coaches and to Active Schools for organising.



Tempest Photography

Tempest will be here on Tuesday ALL DAY taking photos. If you have not yet returned your preference slip, please email the school office on Monday morning, so we can prepare in advance for the day. Thank you.

Flu Vaccinations

The remainder of Flu Vaccinations will be done in school on Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th of December.

Winter Cross Country Running Series

The North East Athletics Partnership and Running Shop are hosting a Winter Cross Country Running Series. The next event is on the 3rd December at Balgownie Playing Fields, Aberdeen. They have a junior section for pupils aged 5-17years. There is also an event at Haddo House in January which may be a bit closer to home!

If you're interested or to sign up, please click on the link below. Feel free to share with anyone who may be interested.

https://www.entrycentral.com/Balgownie2017_2018

Swimming Success

Five swimmers representing Kellands School took part in the Scottish Schools Swimming Championship heats for Aberdeen City and South Aberdeenshire last Tuesday 21st November at ASV. The fastest three times in each event will be considered, along with times from the other heats across Scotland and the fastest sixteen swimmers will take part in the finals in East Kilbryde on January 27th 2018.

Ben McLaughlin, Kyle Mitchell and Isaac Chirnside from P7 took part in the mixed 12 & under 50 SC meter butterfly with times of 34:68, 35:77 and 39:31 respectively.

Tessa Boyd and Oscar Chirnside from Miss Babb's P6 class took part in the mixed 12 & under 50 SC meter backstroke with times of 40:77 and 42:68.



Well done to them all for qualifying in the first place, and then all getting PBs! And good luck getting into the finals!

Smile Textile Exhibition



My name is Elaine Grant, a Textile Artist/Designer living locally in Aberdeen and I'm currently preparing for an exhibition of new work which I thought may be of interest to pupils, staff and parents.

I've been working with drawings by children from Skene Square Primary and Hazlehead Primary as well as drawings submitted by local children from around the city, translating them into three-dimensional textile characters and forms, which will be displayed in a playful and whimsical exhibition at Seventeen on Belmont Street from 1st - 21st December.

The 'brief' I set for submissions was simply to draw something/someone/ that made them smile. This resulted in the title of the exhibition ... Smile, and is something I hope all visitors to the exhibition will do!

I've attached a copy of my promotional poster for the exhibition which you may want to share/display. I'm also posting 'sneak previews' of work in progress for the exhibition on facebook and instagram - www.facebook.com/creativemisse www.instagram.com/creativemisse and have just launched my website - www.creativemisse.co.uk , which also may be of interest.

Active Schools Information

The Primary Singles Badminton Championships, will be held at Portlethen Academy on Sunday 10 December 2017. If you're interested in entering please see information below.

For further information please contact: Joan Prieur, Sports Officer, Aberdeenshire Council, Viewmount, Arduthie Road, Stonehaven. AB39 2DQ

Telephone: 01569 768352 Mobile: 07860 554757

Email: joan.prieur@aberdeenshire.gov.uk

Webpage: <https://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/leisure-sport-and-culture/sports/sports-development/badminton/>

WINTER WEATHER/EMERGENCY CLOSURES

With the possibility of stormy weather it is important that we take all precautions to ensure the safety of the children whether walking, or being transported to school. There are a number of ways that you can check on 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 0870 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.

KELLANDS HOLIDAY DATES

FRIDAY 22ND DECEMBER 2017	SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
MONDAY 8TH JANUARY 2018	SCHOOL RE-OPENS
FRIDAY 9TH FEBRUARY 2018	OCCASIONAL DAY
MONDAY 12TH FEBRUARY 2018	MID TERM HOLIDAY
TUESDAY 13TH FEBRUARY 2018	IN-SERVICE DAY
WEDNESDAY 14TH FEBRUARY 2018	IN-SERVICE DAY
THURSDAY 29TH MARCH 2018	SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR EASTER HOLIDAYS
MONDAY 16TH APRIL 2018	SCHOOL RE-OPENS
MONDAY 7TH MAY 2018	MAY DAY HOLIDAY
MONDAY 4TH JUNE 2018	OCCASIONAL DAY
FRIDAY 6TH JULY 2018	SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR SUMMER
MONDAY 20TH AUGUST 2018	IN-SERVICE DAY
TUESDAY 21ST AUGUST 2018	SCHOOL RE-OPENS
FRIDAY 12TH OCTOBER 2018	SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR OCTOBER HOLIDAYS
MONDAY 29TH OCTOBER 2018	SCHOOL RE-OPENS
MONDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2018	IN-SERVICE DAY
TUESDAY 13TH NOVEMBER 2018	IN-SERVICE DAY
FRIDAY 21ST DECEMBER 2018	SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
MONDAY 7TH JANUARY 2019	SCHOOL RE OPENS

More school holidays can be found online:

<https://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/schools/parents-carers/school-term-dates-and-in-service-days/>