

Newsletter Kellands School

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'Ambition is the path to success. Persistence is the vehicle you arrive in.'

Bill Bradley

Intelligence without ambition is a bird without wings.

Salvador Dali

CAR PARKING - IMPORTANT

Please could you be considerate when you are parking around the Kellands campus in the nearby streets. Residents have to have access to their drives and parking spaces at all times. I am sure you understand and will be mindful and park safely for the drop off and pick up times.

A reminder that the staff car parks at the front and nursery ends of the school are for STAFF ONLY and not to be used for dropping off as there are double yellow lines, and they become a bottleneck and creates a danger for the safety of the children.

Also a reminder to please not occupy the disabled parking spaces in the school car parks at any time as these are crucial for access.

We appreciate the difficulties with the extra parking restrictions due to the work at the hospital site impacting on increase parking at the turning circle at Kellands park; but we need to work together cooperatively for the safety of our Kellands' children.

If you have any ideas on how to help with this please get in touch with the school.

Thank you for your help and understanding in this matter.

Entry to Unit 1 at start of Day

We are working really hard to make the start of the day for our P1s and P2s as settled as we possibly can. We have resourced and changed our PSA timetable to have the same level of adult support that we have at playtime and lunchtime. This is to allow the children to come and play and access all areas of the playground and for parents to feel they can leave, reassured that their children are safe and secure. The children line up brilliantly at both these times during the day and have practised with the class teachers.

With the shape of our playground entry and the sheer volume of children and adults; make it a complete gridlock with so many people in that area. This means the children are finding it difficult to line up appropriately with it being so busy. We would continue to encourage P2 parents to leave their children when dropping them off and hope that many of our P1 parents feel more assured to leave too.

We understand if you feel you need to stay, but could we please ask you to keep in to the side against the walls to keep the middle area clear for lining up. We really appreciate your help and support in this matter.

I have been personally monitoring the situation in unit 1 as the children come into school and I can reassure all parents that there have been no tears when they go upstairs into their classrooms.

Thank you to all P1 and P2 parents for your support.

Dons family in training

Please see below a bespoke project being ran by the Aberdeen FC Community Trust in Inverurie to help families lead a healthier lifestyle by learning about healthy eating and how to become more active.

The programme is based around a 45 minute education input and 45 minutes physical activity. The physical activity is designed for the family to take part together.

The programme was developed as a pilot between NHS Grampian and the Aberdeen FC Community Trust and having proved successful we are rolling this out to people from Inverurie and the surrounding areas. The programme is FREE to everyone who attends but the spaces are limited.

The programme is based around a 45 minute education input on healthy living and eating habits and 45 minutes physical activity through a variety of interactive and fun games.

The project is open to all but if there is any families you feel would benefit from DFIT in particular, please signpost them towards this programme.

Please see below a description below to forward to parents at your respective school, thank you in advance for promoting DFIT and hopefully changing lives for the better!!

Dons Family in Training (Garioch)

#DonsFamily In Training

12 week programme
starts 13th September 2017
every wednesday 6:15 - 7:45pm

Pittodrie Stadium, Aberdeen
to book email david.smith@afccommunitytrust.org

Harlaw Park, Inverurie
to book email stephen.boddie@afccommunitytrust.org

garioch sports centre
ABERDEEN FC COMMUNITY TRUST
afccommunitytrust.org

AFCCT trained coaches will work with Dons families to become healthier and fitter as well as giving opportunities to see behind the scene at Harlaw Park and play on the pitch, 91% of the families that participated said they were living a healthier lifestyle after taking part in the project!

The **FREE** programme kicks off on Wednesday 13th September at Harlaw Park and is free for families.

Families will learn how to lead a healthier lifestyle by learning about healthy eating and how to become more active. The project is designed for the whole family to take part together. Please note, families must have at least one child aged between 5 and 12 to qualify for the programme.

For more information or to book please email stephen.boddie@afccommunitytrust.org.

Aberdeenshire Music Tuition

If you would like your child to be considered for Aberdeenshire Council Music Tuition, please follow the link below to register:

<http://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/schools/music-lessons/music-tuition>

Well Done Mrs Millar

Congratulations to Mrs Millar who completed 'Ride the North' cycle event raising lots of money for Charlie House.

Active Schools

Active Schools are pleased to add Bowls Coaching to our Cluster Club Programme. Go along to the sessions for a fun introduction to Bowls and coaching in the skills and techniques of the game! Bowls Coaching is open to P5-S3 pupils and takes place at Garioch Indoor Bowling Centre on Thursdays, 4:15pm-5:15pm. Bowls Coaching is free to attend.

If you'd like to attend, please book your space using the online form, click on the link below:

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

KELLANDS HOLIDAY DATES	
FRIDAY 13TH OCTOBER 2017	SCHOOL CLOSES FOR OCTOBER HOLIDAYS
MONDAY 30TH OCTOBER 2017	SCHOOL RE-OPENS
MONDAY 13TH NOVEMBER 2017	IN-SERVICE DAY
TUESDAY 14TH NOVEMBER 2017	IN-SERVICE DAY
FRIDAY 22ND DECEMBER 2017	SCHOOL CLOSES 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 CLOSES 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 CLOSES FOR SUMMER
MONDAY 20TH AUGUST 2018	IN-SERVICE DAY
TUESDAY 21ST AUGUST 2018	SCHOOL RE-OPENS
FRIDAY 12TH OCTOBER 2018	SCHOOL CLOSES 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 CLOSES FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
MONDAY 7TH JANUARY 2019	SCHOOL RE OPENS
<p>More school holidays can be found online: https://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/schools/parents-carers/school-term-dates-and-in-service-days/</p>	

On dates marked 'School Closes for Holidays' school will close at 3.15pm. Nursery ends on the same day at the end of your child's usual nursery session time.