

Newsletter – November 2021

Vision - A place where we all work together to be the best we can be.

Happiness Friendship Respect Honesty Responsibility Keeping Healthy Being Safe

Dates for your Diary

Tues 2nd Nov - Tempest photos

Wed 10th Nov - Flu vaccines

Wed 17th Nov - Maths curricular workshops

Thurs 18th/Fri 19th - Inservice days

Mon 22nd Nov - Christmas fayre order forms sent home

Wed 24th Nov - Parent Council 6:30pm (Teams)

Dear Parents.

Welcome back to Term 2! We hope that you all had a lovely October break and are looking forward to a busy Christmas term full of festive cheer! We welcome four new pupils - Jenson, Louis, Bobby and Jamie who joined us at the end of term 1!

Clothing

It is really important that children are sent to school appropriately dressed for the colder weather at this time of years. All children must now bring a coat and additional items such as hats, gloves etc must be named. Children should also wear a jumper/cardigan inside the building especially as we still have to leave all windows and doors open to encourage air circulation. Please contact us if you have any difficulty with this, thank you.

Parent Council

We are delighted to welcome our new Parent Council committee - Shona, Caroline, Catherine and Vicki/Annette and look forward to working with them! Huge thanks to our outgoing committee - Louise, Christine, Lynne and Katie for their hard work and support over the past few years! We couldn't have done it without you!

McMillan Coffee Morning

Absolutely delighted to announce that our final total from our recent McMillan Coffee Morning was £1052.05!

Harvest Vegetable Decorating Competition

All classes took part in this competition on the last day of Term 1. We were amazed at all of the fantastic creations – every year they get more imaginative! Winners and Runners up received certificates and house points!

P1 - Stewart and Zain, P2 - Scarlett and Thomas, P3 - Summer and Charlie S, P4 - Harlow and Robbie C, P5 - Ameja and Robbie B, P6 - Owen and Harry and P7 - Kayden and Hannah.







Samba Drumming

We are fortunate to be currently working with the Youth Music Initiative in conjunction with 'Louder than Life' who have offered us a block of online Samba drumming sessions for P4/5, P5/6 and P7.

The children are learning about the culture, history and origin of Samba drumming and at the end of their sessions, a performance will be videoed!

The children are loving the lessons so far! It's amazing how quickly they are picking it up!



P5/6 learning about Samba drumming!





P4/5 have been learning about Space!

They made some super models as part of their learning!

Pupil Illness

A few points to remember regarding pupil illness:

Sickness/diarrhoea

Please remember that children must remain at home if they have sickness/diarrhoea and should only return to school 48 hours after the last episode.

Cold/sniffles

Children are able to attend school with a cold unless they are feeling very unwell within themselves or have Covid 19 symptoms. Tissues are available in all classrooms but we would always appreciate donations of more please. Thank you.

Covid 19 symptoms

Children should remain at home and access a PCR test if they have any of the 3 main Covid 19 symptoms - a persistent cough, loss/change of sense of taste/smell or a temperature. All household members should remain at home until a negative test result has been received then they can return to school provided they are asymptomatic. If we have a positive Covid case in school, whole classes are no longer asked to isolate. Schools now send out 'Warn and Inform' letters with further guidance.

Parking

We remind all parents to be considerate and not to park over neighbouring driveways. Please, where possible, park away from the school and walk the remainder of the way. Thank you for your cooperation.

Inservice days

School will be closed to all pupils on Thursday 18th and Friday 19th November inclusive to allow for inservice days where staff will be undertaking professional development and training across the curriculum.

Adverse Weather

Please familiarise yourself with the Adverse weather information at the bottom of this newsletter. In the event of school closures due to increment weather, a message will be left on the school closure line as soon as possible in the morning and information will be available on the Aberdeenshire Council website. These are the only approved methods used by Aberdeenshire Council.





Maud Kids Football

Please note that Maud School Football is now known as Maud Kids Football as per instructions from Aberdeenshire Council. The football team will continue to have the school's full support in all they do.

Training sessions have now changed for the winter months. The Primary 1&2 children will train in Maud Village Hall from 6.15 until 7pm every Tuesday evening, and the Primary 3-7's will train up at New Deer Astro from 6-7pm every Tuesday evening. We are trying to finalise a football trip for the children, so our footballing parents should keep an eye on their emails for details.

School Values

Our shared values are: Happiness, Respect, Responsibility, Keeping Healthy, Being Safe, Friendship and Honesty

Our 'Values Tree' in the school hall promotes our school values and we focus on one per month.

Anyone can be nominated for any of the school values but certificates are issued monthly for the value that we are focussing on for the month.

In October, Lexi, Ella C, Amellia, Charlie S, Devon and Lucas were all nominated for 'Responsibility'! Well done!

Our value for November is 'Keeping Safe'.

We are in the process of recruiting children from P5 and P6 to the roles of 'Values Ambassador' to lead and promote our school values across the school! Further details will follow!

Charter Champions

Well done to our Charter Champions for the month of October! - Alix, Murron, Cameron C, Brogan, Ryan, Zain, Ella S, Samuel, Aimee and Elinor.

We are proud of you all!

Good News!

Good news is celebrated at school with a focus on achievements, no matter how small! Wider achievements such as gaining medals, certificates etc are included in assemblies and newsletters.

- Lois earned a Blue Peter badge!
- Jade, Ella S and Isla F did their Rainbows promise and earned their Promise badge as well as an Adventure badge! Chloe also did her Brownies promise, earning her Promise badge and Adventure badge too!

Adverse weather line/school closures:

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