



Newsletter – October 2022

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

Thurs 6th Oct - Open afternoon

Fri 14th Oct—Last day of Term 1

Mon 31st Oct—Start of Term 2

Dear Parents,

Can you believe that we are almost at the end of Term 1 already? It's been a busy term and we are delighted that our new P1 pupils have settled in well—there is such a calm, happy ethos around the school.

In terms of learning and teaching, we are continuing to identify and address gaps in learning that have arisen since lockdown and schools across Scotland are saying the same thing.

We are extremely thankful to our Parent Council who have donated us the sum of £1500. We have used this money to revamp and refresh our whole school spelling programme to ensure consistency in learning across all classes. Further information regarding our changes in this areas will be issued to you in due course.

House /Vice House Captains

We are delighted to announce our House Captains and Vice House Captains for the school year:

Stuart House—Owen (captain), Paige (vice)

Keith House—Lexi (captain), Ronie (vice)

Buchan House—Maisie (captain), Demi (vice)

Pupils were selected following application and where necessary interview and we are grateful to the P6 pupils who offered to apply as we have no P7 pupils in Keith House!

Colder Weather

Now that the weather is turning colder, all pupils are asked to bring a suitable coat to school every day and to come to school dressed for the weather conditions.

All items of clothing should be clearly named. Thank you.

Open Afternoon

We will be hosting our Open Afternoon on Wednesday 5th October from 2-3pm. Each class will have a maths focus and you are more than welcome to move between classes during this time if you have more than one child in school.

McMillan Coffee Morning

P6/7 and Miss Simpson ran a fantastic McMillan Coffee morning once again, raising vital funds for people living with cancer.

We had a fantastic turnout of parents and friends and it was so lovely to see our school community come together again after such a long time! So great to be able to have visitors back in school again!

Huge thanks to P6/7, Miss Simpson and Mrs Lister for their fantastic organisational skills! We would also like to thank Mrs Simpson who has been tirelessly baking for the event and who has helped behind the scenes!

Huge thanks also to all the parents helpers who assisted on the day and to everyone who donated home bakes, fine pieces, raffle prizes and who gave up their time to help.

We are so lucky to have such a supportive school community!

We will let you know how much we have raised for this fantastic cause once all monies are totalled up. Nothing stops a coffee morning!



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. Tissues are available in all classrooms.

Covid 19 symptoms

Children and staff should continue to come to school as long as they don't have a temperature or feel poorly within themselves.

Tissues

As we are entering the season of colds and sniffles, we would be grateful if each family, where possible, could please donate a box of tissues. We get through these so quickly and blue paper towels are so rough on little noses!! Thank you!

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 co-operation.

Charter Champions

Well done to our Charter Champions since the last newsletter:

Alix, Ella C, Lucas, Riley, Cameron S, Jackson, Reagan, Callan, Poppy-May, Ella D, Sadie, Isla F, Eden C, Samuel D and Paige.

We are proud of you all!

Charter Champions are selected by class teachers on a weekly basis (full school weeks only) and are based on attitude, work ethic and following of their class charters.



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. Children can write on a leaf if they are demonstrating them, eg, I asked xxx to join in my game (Friendship).

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.

Well done to the following pupils who were nominated for 'Friendship' during September—Georgia, Eden D, Poppy May, Sophia, Callie, Evie and Sadie.

Our value for October and November is 'Being Safe.'

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.

Jade, Isla and Ella S were awarded medals at dancing exams!

Summer, Chloe and Reagan passed level 3 swimming! Reagan also passed level 5 gymnastics!

Logan and Callan both received football awards!

Callan received an award for 'Attitude, behaviour and commitment' at football!

Robbie B won trophies for croquet!

Maud Kids' Football

Our AGM will be at Maud Social Club on Tuesday 1st November at 8pm, everyone will be very welcome to join us. Details for training after the October holidays will be sent out to everyone via email and on our Facebook page. A wee reminder too that we have our swap box with lots of kits, training gear, skins and boots available to anyone that needs anything in exchange for a wee donation to the club.

**Adverse weather line/
school closures:**

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