



Newsletter – November 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

Tues 8th Nov—Tempest photographer in school

Wed 9th—Parent Council meeting online. All welcome

Wed 16th—Children In Need Day

Thurs 17th and Fri 18th—In-Service (closed to pupils)

Tues 22nd—Flu vaccination programme

Dear Parents,

Welcome back, we hope you all had a lovely break over the October holidays. A busy term lies ahead with lots of events planned for the children and wider community to enjoy as we move towards the busy Christmas period next month.

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 excited to begin using our new spelling scheme this term and homework will change as a result of this. All spelling and maths homework will now be issued on a Monday and due back on a Friday. Reading may be issued out with this pattern according to your child's class.

In- Service Days

School will be closed to all children on Thursday 17th and Friday 18th November to allow for staff training and development.

Pupils will return to school at 9am on Monday 21st November.

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.

Children In Need

P1 and Miss McWilliam are organising the events for Children In Need on Wednesday 16th November. Further information will be issued separately via Groupcall and TEAMS.

P7 Transition

The P7 children will begin a series of transition events this month. The 'Go Wild' sessions will be held on Tuesday 8th, 15th and 22nd November at Fetterangus school. Transport is provided and children will have lunch at school first.

They will also attend an overnight camp at Mintlaw Academy on Thursday 24th/Friday 25th November.

Further information will be issued to P7 parents as soon as possible.



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:

Aiden, Ella S, Jasmine, Jacob, Ronie, Wyatt, Stewart, Tommy, Lois and Demi.

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.

Our value for 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—moved up to level 2 swimming.



Maud Kids' Football

Football training starts back Tuesday 1st November. P1's & P2's are in Maud Village Hall from 6.15pm - 7pm and P3-P7's are up at New Deer Astro Turf from 6-7pm (please wrap up warm!) Please remember about our swap box, which is full of lots of football kits, training gear and football boots/trainers, just give Cat a shout if you'd like a look through it. Donations for (clean) outgrown football gear would be gratefully received. Our AGM will be held at Maud Village Hall at 8pm on Tuesday 1st