



Newsletter – September 2023

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

Friendship & Working Together Respect & Responsibility Honesty Safety

Happiness Positivity Growth Mindset Nurture Diversity Keeping Healthy

Dates for your Diary

6th September— Meet the Teacher 3.30-4.30pm

6th September—Parent Council AGM 6.30pm

Week beg 11th Sept—homework resumes

29th September—Macmillan Coffee Morning

Meet the Teacher

'Meet the Teacher' will take place on Wednesday 6th September at 3.30pm. Each Teacher will have a 15 minute slot for information sharing and questions. For parents with more than 1 child, this will allow you to visit all teachers between 3.30pm and 4.30pm.

Microsoft Teams

All classes will continue to use Microsoft Teams as their means of communicating between home and school and class teachers are in the process of setting these up for their classes. All homework will be set via Teams and therefore all children are expected to access it via this platform.

If you have a general message re a change in pick up arrangements, holidays, absence etc then these should still be sent to maud.sch@aberdeenshire.gov.uk

Teachers might only check Teams at the end of a day and therefore, could miss an important message.

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the 2023/24 school session! We hope that you had a lovely break, doing the things you enjoy with those close to you. The children have settled well after the summer break and we have enjoyed seeing them playing, learning and connecting!

Welcome

A huge welcome to our new P1s and their families! The children are settling so well and their P7 buddies are doing a fabulous job of supporting them as they start their P1 journey.

This session, we have 4 classes:

P1/2/3 taught by Miss Buchan

P3/4 taught by Miss McWilliam

P5/6 taught by Mrs Youngson/Mrs Steel

P6/7 taught by Miss Simpson

Ms Munro and Mrs McCue continue to teach across all classes to deliver NCCT.

Mrs Steel continues to support at Mintlaw until a new Head Teacher is appointed there. Until this happens, Mrs McCue is Head Teacher Monday—Wednesday. Miss McWilliam is the point of contact on Thursdays and Mrs Steel is Head Teacher on a Friday.

School Improvement Priorities

I am pleased to share Maud School's development priorities for the upcoming year.

We look forward to working on:

1. Embedding consistency in maths across all levels by investing in resources that are aligned to the benchmarks. This will create a consistent and progressive approach across the school.
2. Embedding the CIRCLE framework in school to support inclusive learning and collaborative working for all.
3. To refresh and promote who we are as a school, ensuring that all stakeholders are part of the process.



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.

Facebook

The school's Facebook page is a closed page for current parents only. If you are requesting to join, please ensure that you answer the required questions so that we know who you are.

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

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.

The 1st Charter Champions of the session will be announced later this week at assembly and celebrated in the next newsletter.





School Values

Our shared values have recently been updated and are: Friendship & Working Together, Respect & Responsibility. Honesty, Safety, Happiness, Positivity, Growth Mindset, Nurture, Diversity and Keeping Healthy.

9 Maud School owls will be displayed in the hall to represent each value. Each month, the whole school will focus on an individual value and as children demonstrate the value, they can be nominated for a ribbon, which will have their name written on it and attached to the appropriate Owl in the hall.

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 the month of September is Respect & Responsibility.

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.

Parent Council

A big 'Welcome back' from the Parent Council! Our AGM will take place on Wednesday 6th September at 6.30pm.

A new committee will be elected at the meeting so if anyone is interested in taking on a role please get in touch for more info.

Being part of the Parent Council can be a great way to get to know people and become an active part of our school community. We support the fundraising process, which pays for Christmas presents for the Christmas parties, school trips and much more!

Your support is welcomed and vital to the continuing success of the Parent Council at our School.

Maud Kids' Football

Football training is back every Tuesday from 6.30-7.30pm at Maud Park, all Maud Primary School children are welcome to join. We are looking for a new coach to join our friendly group. For more information please contact Cat on maudschoolfootball@hotmail.co.uk

