



# Newsletter – October 2023

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## Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 4th October—Literacy Open Afternoon, 2-3pm

Wednesday 4th—P7 Parents Session @Mintlaw Academy, 6.30pm

Friday 6th—P6/7 Assembly (Invites will follow)

Wednesday 11th—Parents' Night Appointments

Friday 13th—Last day of term 1

Monday 30th October—1st day of Term 2

## Open Afternoon

We are excited to welcome you along to our 1st open afternoon of the session. Please come along to visit your child's class between 2pm and 3pm on Wednesday 4th, where we will be sharing our learning in literacy.

## 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](mailto: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,

I hope this newsletter finds you well. We have had a busy start to Term 1 and I can't believe we are almost into October!

Over the last month, we have seen House Captains being elected, P7 play Leaders getting to grips with their new role, a Macmillan Coffee Morning and we've enjoyed Financial Wellbeing sessions in P3-P7. All of these things on top of the day to day learning and teaching in class!

In October, we look forward to an open afternoon where you can come in and share the learning with your child/children. We will also have a parents' night where you can have the opportunity to catch up with your child's teacher regarding how your child has settled into the new school session.

As always, we operate an open door policy so please get in touch if there is anything we can help you with.

## P7 Parents Session

P7 Parents should have received specific information regarding the parental sessions at Mintlaw Academy on Wednesday 4th October.

The session will begin at 6.30pm and we will send out a reminder next week.



### **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.

Aiden won 2 trophies for crafts at Stuartfield Show, moved to level 2 swimming and started Beavers!

Ella C got an award at drama.

Stanley moved to level 3 swimming.

Ayrton has passed his level 1 swimming!

### **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.

### **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.*

Congratulations to our Charter Champions since the last newsletter;

Week beg 28.8.23—Sadie, Beth, Elena and Brogan

Week beg 4.9.23—Lewis, Toby, Charlie and Ronie

Week beg 11.9.23—Zain, Evie, Chole and Poppy

Week beg 18.9.23—Carlie, Stanley, Logan P and Ella D



### **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 demonstrates 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.

### **Parent Council**

A new PTA year has begun!

The new committee are.....Chair- Victoria Brown, Vice-Chair-Jill Gibson, Treasurer-Rachael Mitchell and Secretary- Annette Clark

We are always on the look out for different fundraising ideas for us to all enjoy together. If you have any ideas please either email us on [friendsofmaudspc@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofmaudspc@gmail.com) or let any of the committee know.

Our first fundraiser is our school cookbook. We are hoping to have this ready to sell before Christmas so it will make a fab present!! We will keep you posted on this and many others either on Facebook or by email.

We are very grateful for all your support

### **Maud Kids' Football**

Our last night of training before the holidays will be on Tuesday 10th October, we will return to training after the holidays to our winter training schedule, details will be emailed to all football parents.

Our AGM will be held on Tuesday 7th November at 8pm at Maud Social Club. All parents are very welcome and encouraged to join us. Kids are allowed in the lounge so can be brought along if childcare is an issue.

