



Barthol Chapel Primary School



October 2012 Newsletter

Dear Parents

Staffing Update

We would like to welcome Mrs Reid our new dinner lady to our school also welcome Mrs Gordon who will be our new school cleaner. Mrs Tomlinson would like to send her thanks for the lovely flowers and bottle of wine from parents, children and staff.

Mrs Rodgers will be absent for a while when we return after the October break. Mrs Macdonald will be teaching P1-3 full time until her return and Miss Budge and Mrs Keith, a supply teacher who the children already know, will be taking the P4-7 class.

Plea

With the new allocation of school office support hours we require to revise some procedures to ease the workload on our office staff and Miss Budge.

1. Please ensure that all monies are sent to school with your child in an envelope with their name, the amount of money and reason for the money clearly labelled. Please inform your child that if they have a letter, to give to their class teacher in the morning. Please have a special place in your child's schoolbag where they know where to check for letters to hand in.
2. Please send school dinner money in a clearly labelled envelope. All monies will now be collected in the morning prior to lunch. Please ensure that your child's dinner tickets are labelled with their name and stored safely in a purse/wallet in a special place in their school bag.
3. We will now send a paper copy home for parent signature. Please check your child's school bag regularly and return letters promptly.
4. As our school office is closed at times throughout the day Infant children will be given a key ring at the beginning of term 2 for parents to mark how/who they wish their child travels home with from school.
5. If your child is absent from school please contact our school office before 09:30 to inform us of their absence. We require notification as this is part of our legal obligations to safe guard children.

We would also like to ask that children do not arrive at school before 08:55 and remind parents to collect their child on time. A number of children are regularly being picked up late and children at times can find this very upsetting and worrying if their parent is late.

We would really appreciate your support and help with these matters.

With kind regards, Katie Budge

Primary 1 photograph
is in this week's Ellon
Times and in the
Inverurie Herald!

School Clubs

Netball Training Sessions Term 2

Every Thursday 3:30pm – 4:30pm

Open to Primary 4 to Primary 7 Children

Cost: £8 per term

Please note that all monies collected go towards transport costs of future netball festivals.

Term 3 – Badminton Afterschool Club

More information to follow shortly

Term 3 and Term 4 Football Afterschool

This year Alec Pirie is unable to support the team due to university commits. We have a superb football team that won the small schools cup this year. Please let us know if you would like to coach this winning team.

Recorder Classes

Open to Primary 3 to Primary 7 Children

Thursday Afternoons

(During the School Day)

We are always looking to start new clubs or one off workshops.

If you have an interest or talent you would like to share with the children. Please let us know.

We would be very grateful for one off taster workshop sessions.

Thank you to Ms Parker and Mrs Murphy for supporting the Rugby taster sessions. They have been superb and the children have thoroughly enjoyed them. Thank you.

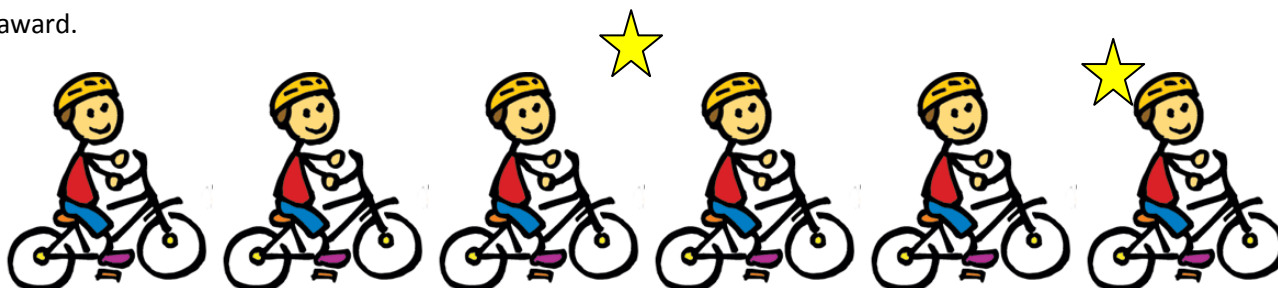


Good News Alert!



Barthol Chapel has been awarded 'The Cycle Friendly School Title'. Thank you for supporting this initiative and encouraging children to cycle.

Thank you to Mrs Rodgers for all her hard work in supporting Barthol Chapel in receiving this wonderful award.



Fundraising Update

Thank you to our Parent Council who have purchased two Netbooks and lots of Knex Lego to support our learning through technologies.

Thank you to everyone who attended and also to Mrs Stroud and our parent council for a super 'Beetle Drive Night'.

Funds raised from the Beetle Drive £45.70 and from the Macmillan Coffee Afternoon £67.52.



Children in Need 16th November

For children in need day on the 16th November please could your child bring an old white t shirt to school to decorate. T shirts to be in school by 12th November. Rather than raise money this year we will be having an awareness raising day focusing on 'The Rights of the Child'. Thank you

Shoebox Appeal

Thank you to everyone for supporting our shoebox appeal. In school we will be tracking the shoeboxes.

Christmas Raffle

All donations would be very much appreciated. If you would like more raffle tickets to sell please let us know.

Parent Council

Next Meeting: Tuesday 13th November 2012 (7:00pm)

Any agenda points you would like to raise please contact Mrs Pamela Stroud (Parent Council Chair).

Occasional Days

Friday 8th February 2013

Monday 3rd June 2013

Session 2012/2013

- **October** - Monday 15 October to Friday 26 October 2012
- **Christmas** - Monday 24 December 2012 to Friday 4 January 2013
- **Mid Term** - Monday 11 February 2013
- **Easter** - Friday 29 March to Friday 12 April 2013
- **May Day** - Monday 6 May 2013
- **Summer** holidays start on Monday 8 July 2013

In-Service Closure Dates for 2012/13

The following dates have been set as closure days for Session 2012/13:

- Monday 20 August 2012
- Monday 12 November 2012
- Tuesday 13 November 2012
- Tuesday 12 February 2013
- Wednesday 13 February 2013

**Please find attached October, November and December calendar of dates.
Please also note that all dates are available on our school website.**