



AUCHENCAIRN PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

DIARY DATES

SEPTEMBER

No Activities

OCTOBER

FLU Vaccination

Wed 7th Oct 9-10am

8th Harvest Festival
(school only)

9th Term End

SEPTEMBER 2020

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Dear Parent

We spent the first few weeks settling back into school with lots of Health and Wellbeing Activities and Outdoor Learning wherever possible. Our Pupils are happy, confident and ready to learn, we are focusing on core areas of literacy and numeracy. Currently we are also assessing pupils; preparing the way forwards to build on their home learning from the last few months. We will keep you informed through our next round of reporting to parents after the October break. Thank you, Mrs McDevitt.

If your Child is unwell....

Please do not send your child to school if they are unwell with the symptoms below.

Covid Symptoms

Fever (37.8 +)

New or persistent cough

Loss of taste/smell

Diarrhoea

Please ring school if you are unsure. Thank you for all your support with this so far.

ACTIVE SCHOOLS

Active Schools staff will be providing sessions of different Sports during school time, supported by the Class Teacher. Amy Niven has been into school to do Orienteering with both classes, which they all enjoyed! After School Clubs are still not taking place at the moment. After School Staff are permitted to attend only 3 different schools during one week.

Digital Learning and Teaching

The Digital Learning and Teaching Policy has been updated owing to the increased Virtual learning and teaching we have all been taking part in. You have already received 'A Pupil Safe and Responsible Use of Technology Agreement' please complete, sign and return to the School Office as soon as possible.

Harvest Celebrations

We shall be holding our Harvest Festival Assembly on October 8th for school pupils only, as parents are not allowed into school yet. We will be collecting groceries, fruit and vegetables as usual which will be given to a local food bank for sharing. I hope that next year we will be able to continue with our regular 'Harvest Box' donations in the village.

Look out for the new
"Partnership School Blog"
which is on its way!

PE Days

P1-3 Tuesday/Friday

P4-7 Tuesday/Friday

RAGBAG

Our next collection will take place during this term. Please donate at any time. Ragbag is a free fundraiser for school, thank you very much.

Parking and the School Car Park

Please can I remind parents not to drive into or park in the school carpark, as pupils are walking through the carpark at the start and end of the day, this is creating a safety hazard. Please park on the roadside and walk your child through the school gate. Thank you.

"Snack Free Day!"

On Wednesdays Mrs McCall very kindly collects fruit and bread (for toast) from Tesco's in Castle Douglas as part of 'Fair Share.'

Children are either having chopped fruit or warm toast for break time on Wednesdays. So please do not send in a snack as children are laden with play pieces. Thank you.

SUNFLOWERS

Well done everyone at growing your sunflowers and thank you for all your photos. Congratulations to 'Olivia' who grew the tallest children's sunflower at 2m 40cm (2.4m). All staff had sunflower seeds too, Mrs Fisher's sunflower grew the tallest at 2m 65cm (2.65m). Well done Mrs Fisher you definitely have green fingers! Olivia and Mrs Fisher we would you like to share your top tips for growing sunflowers ready for next year's challenge!



Olivia 2m 40cm



Plums!

Pupils picked the plums from our Plum tree in the garden and Bev used them at lunch in a pudding and in delicious Plum muffins!

Grow Your Own Potatoes

Thank you to Lee Paton who comes every year to help our children grown their own potatoes. This year was a bumper crop and Bev cooked them for lunch!

