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Dear Parents and Carers,

At Kirkhill Primary we strive to provide regular outdoor learning experiences for all of our children. As a school we have fantastic outdoor spaces which can be used across the curriculum to develop our children socially, emotionally and academically.

Different outdoor learning experiences offer opportunities for personal and learning skills development in areas such as communication, problem solving, information technology, working with others and thinking skills. Learning in the outdoors can make significant contributions to literacy, numeracy and health and wellbeing. Therefore, outdoor learning offers many opportunities for learners to deepen and contextualise their understanding within curriculum areas, and for linking learning across the curriculum in different contexts and at all levels.

(Learning and Teaching Scotland, 2010)

For the second time this session, we are celebrating Outdoor Classroom Day! During this day, our learners will experience a full day outdoors, learning with their teacher and having fun. In order to make best use of our outdoor spaces we have timetabled our classes across various days in May. The table below highlights the specific day for each class's allocated Outdoor Classroom Day.

To allow all pupils to access outdoor learning in the changeable Scottish weather, we would like to ask if pupils could please come to school on their allocated day prepared for all weather conditions. They should wear old wellies or suitable boots, bring trousers (waterproof if possible but other old trousers if not) and a rain jacket. It may also be a good idea to pack a spare pair of socks in school bags if it is raining, in case feet get wet if children do not have wellies on. It may also be useful to wear sun cream and a hat as

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we are heading into warmer weather. This support will allow our children to have a fantastic time learning outdoors come rain or shine, however please do not buy any new items for this day.

Since our P7 classes will be taking part in their 'P7 Activities Week' later this term, they will undertake their Outdoor Classroom Day during that time.

Outdoor Classroom Day Timetable

Classes	Outdoor Learning Day
P1A, P1B, P1C	Monday 17 th May
P2A, P2B, P2C	Wednesday 12 th May
P3A, P3B, P3C	Wednesday 5 th May
P4A1 P4A2 P4B1	Friday 21 st May
P4B2 P4C1 P4C2	Thursday 27 th May
P5A, P5B, P5C	Tuesday 11 th May
P6A, P6B, P6C	Tuesday 4 th May

Please look out for lots of pictures on Seesaw and Twitter!

Yours Sincerely,

Lorna MacGregor Principal Teacher

UNCRC Article 28

Every child has the right to an education.

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Education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full.