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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)

'Outdoor Learning Day' this year is November 3<sup>rd</sup>, but we're going to get started early and celebrate outdoor learning during September. All our learners will experience learning outdoors with their teacher and with each other in a fun and active environment. In order to make best use of our outdoor spaces we have timetabled our classes across three weeks in September.

The table below shows the day for each class' allocated Outdoor Classroom Day. If there are any changes between now and then we will let you know via email and on Seesaw.

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. 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.

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## **Outdoor Classroom Day Timetable**

| Outdoor Learning Day                 | Stage/Classes    |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> September   | Primary 5        |
| Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> September | P6a2, P6b2, P6c2 |
| Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> September  | Primary 4        |
|                                      |                  |
| Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> September   | P6a1, P6b1, P6c1 |
| Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> September | Primary 3        |
| Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September  | Primary 2        |
|                                      |                  |
| Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> September | Primary 7        |

Please look out for pictures on Seesaw and Twitter!

Yours Sincerely,

Paul Tyler Principal Teacher



## **UNCRC Article 28**

Every child has the right to an education.

## **UNCRC Article 29**

Education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full. It must encourage children to respect the environment.