



Newsletter August 2026

A very warm welcome back to all our children and families. We hope you had a wonderful summer break and enjoyed some quality time together.

It has been lovely to see our pupils return to school full of enthusiasm and ready for the year ahead. We would also like to extend a special welcome to our new Primary 1 children and their families. We are delighted to have you join us and look forward to getting to know you over the coming months.

As we begin a new session, we are excited about the opportunities ahead and look forward to working in partnership with our families to ensure the very best outcomes for all our children.

We would also like to let families know that, during Mrs Ritchie's absence, Mrs Louise Gordon (Headteacher) and Mrs Leanne Bain (Depute Headteacher) from Burntisland Primary school will continue to support the school and ensure the smooth running of day-to-day school life.

We look forward to a successful, happy and rewarding year ahead.

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Welcome



We are delighted to welcome Miss M. Carpenter to Auchtertool Primary School as our new Pupil Support Assistant (PSA).

Miss Carpenter is very pleased to be joining our school community and is looking forward to getting to know and working with all of our children. We are excited to have her as part of the team and know she will make a positive contribution to the life of the school.

I am sure you will all join us in making Miss Carpenter feel very welcome as she settles into her new role. We wish her every success and happiness at Auchtertool Primary School.

Welcome

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Mrs Moyes

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our new Learning Support Teacher, Mrs Moyes, who has recently joined the team at Auchtertool Primary School. Mrs Moyes will be with us every second Wednesday and she is looking forward to working alongside staff, supporting our children, and helping them to achieve their full potential.

We are delighted to have her as part of our school community and are sure you will join us in making her feel very welcome.



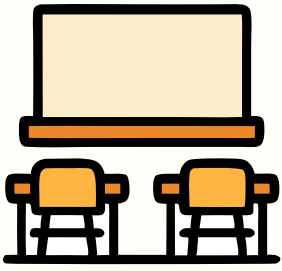
Staffing Update

We would like to let parents and carers know that Mrs Scobbie has returned to school, as her planned absence has been postponed.

Mrs Scobbie will now continue working until Friday 21st August and will be absent from Monday 24th August until further notice. We wish her well and will keep families updated as appropriate.

We are pleased to confirm that kitchen cover arrangements are in place and school meals will continue as normal. However, from Monday 24th August, we do not have Crossing Controll. We kindly ask all parents, carers and pupils to take extra care when crossing roads around the school and to allow additional time for travelling to and from school.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.



Classes

Primary 1-3 Class - Mrs Strang and Mr Taylor

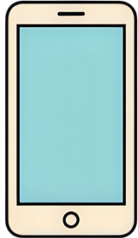
Mrs Strang and Mr Taylor are looking forward to a fun-filled year of learning, discovery and achievement. Pupils will have lots of opportunities to develop their skills, build friendships and grow in confidence through engaging and enjoyable learning experiences.

Mrs Strang works Tue/Wed/alternate Mondays
Mr Taylor works Thurs/Fri/alternate Mondays

Primary 4-7 Class - Miss Arnold

This year will provide many opportunities for pupils to challenge themselves, take on leadership roles and work collaboratively with their classmates. We are looking forward to seeing our learners achieve their personal best and celebrate their many successes throughout the session.

Personal Device



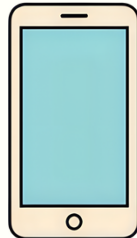
Personal Devices

Our expectation is that children do not need a mobile phone at primary school. If they need to bring one in for their travel home, or a play date after school etc this should enter the school grounds switched off and be handed to the teacher for safe keeping from 9am-3pm.

Basic smart watches may be worn as long as they are not connected to mobiles and cannot take photos or send messages, otherwise these should also be removed and given in to the teacher for safe keeping.



Contacting us



Please note staff do not use their personal emails to contact parents. This helps us to re-direct enquiries when staff are absent or unavailable, due to teaching commitments or when out of office.

Parents should phone or use the school email to contact the person you wish to speak to or to raise a query or concern. This is also the case for any message you want to send to class teachers.

Please continue to use the school contact details :

auchtertool.enquiries@fife.gov.uk
01592 583 411

Diary Dates



Wednesday 26th August 2026 - 2:30 - 3:00pm - Open doors - come along to your child's class to meet the teacher.

12th October - 24th October School Holiday

28th October 2026 -Open Doors Session 09:30 - 10:00 am

Monday 9th November 2026 Parents' Night 4 -6pm

Friday 13th November - November inservice day

16th December 2026 - Nativity 1:30 - 2:30pm

21st December 2026 Christmas Party - 1:30 - 3pm.

23rd December 2026- 5th January 2027 Christmas School Break.

Diary Dates



15th January 2027 Open Doors - 9:30 - 10am

10th February 2027 - February inservice day

11th and 12th February 2027 - Holiday days

2nd March 2027 Parents' Evening 4 -6pm

26th March - 9th April - Spring Holidays

3rd May 2027 - Holiday

6th May 2027 - Inservice Day

15th - 18th May 2026 - Ardroy P7 (with Kinghorn PS)

7th June 2027 - Holiday

Friday 11th June 2027 Sports Day 2:00 - 3:00pm

30th June 2027 - Leavers' Service - 2-3pm

5th July - 15th August 2027 - Summer Holidays.