

Kinghorn Primary School

‘Sailing To Success’

September 2023

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| **DATES DATES DATES!!**  See our dates for this session on the reverse of this newsletter – keep in a safe place        *Article 3 – Right to get support from all adults* | **School Uniform**  Our Kinghorn School Uniform guidance is available for all. We have returned to wearing indoor shoes, let us know if we can support you in any way to achieve this.    Kinghorn Community Centre supported by our Parent Council holds a stock of ‘Pre-loved’ school uniform available to all – please pop in and ask for the key to the cupboard!  Please ensure that **ALL** clothes, bags, shoes (both!) and belongings are labelled with your child’s name – if we find an item with no name on and locate its owner we can label this for you. If you would rather we did not label this for you please let us know.  Please ensure your child comes to school prepared for whatever the day ahead can bring – a coat for inclement weather, suncream for our sunny days.  **K**ind, **I**nclude, **N**urture, **G**enerous, **H**onest, **O**pen, **R**espect, **N**ever give up |
| **New School Website**  Our new Kinghorn Primary School and Nursery website has been launched. Visit us at  [**https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/fi/kinghornprimaryschool/**](https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/fi/kinghornprimaryschool/)  **A picture containing outdoor, plant, grass, sky  Description automatically generated**  Article 13 – Right to find things out |
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|  | Our classes use Seesaw as a way of sharing our learning – we are continuing to use Seesaw as our Learning Journals and for weekly Home Learning activities.  Teachers will send your child’s targets to you via Seesaw and ‘post’ photos of work, activities and class engagement on Seesaw for you to see and share at home throughout the terms.  The Seesaw messaging service has been removed to minimise messages not being seen or read – we welcome your feedback around this as we will review later in the session.  If your child is ill or will be absent please contact our school office.  Please also inform our school office if your contact details change.  *Article 23 – Right to Education* |
| **School and Nursery Hours**  School and Nursery start at **9am**  Our Nursery have a **flexi-start** to each day from **9-9.30am**  **Nursery** closes at **3pm** – we open our Nursery door from 2.40pm to allow plenty of time for pick up and exit by 3pm. **School** finishes at **3.05pm**  **Health Promoting School/Nursery**  Kinghorn Primary and Nursery is a health promoting school/nursery. We ask that you consider this when choosing playtime snacks with your child – **one healthy snack/drink for morning break and perhaps another for lunchtime is more than adequate** for our children – many pupil snacks are uneaten and binned by children as they have too much, we hope to reduce this waste. |
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| **Pupil Voice Groups 2023-2024**      **JRSO**  **Sport Committee**  **Respect** | **School Improvement**  This session we continue to focus on improvement, our main priority is across Literacy.  Mrs Bauld is seeking volunteers to support reading in our classes this will be through playing phonic games, hearing reading, supporting word building etc. Mrs Bauld will provide full training – if you are interested please contact our school office.  If you are interested in joining a **Parent Voice** group around school improvements  please contact our school office. |
|  | Staffing 2023 – 2024  **Nursery**  Mrs Hamilton  Mrs Townsend  Ms Cathcart  Mrs Curran  Mrs Scott  Mrs Toddie-Moore  Mrs Henderson  Mrs Yuill  Miss McLeod  Mrs Walker (Nursery Teacher)  **Support Staff**  Mrs Balfour  Mrs Gray  Mrs Glachan  Mrs McCabe  Mrs Morris  Mrs Couser  P1T – Mrs Turner  P1/2S – Mrs McDonald and Mrs Gillespie  P2/3B – Miss Borthwick  P3/4S – Mrs Hay and Miss Gilmour  P4B – Miss Bell  P5M – Miss MacDonald  P6B – Mrs Brown  P7S – Miss Swanson  PE – Mrs Gilfillan  French/Spanish – Mrs Gillespie  Learning Support – Mrs Bauld  Admin – Mrs Connor  Clerical – Mrs Parry  Principal Teacher – Mrs Horne  Headteacher – Mrs Wyse    Please RESPECT our Kinghorn Community and do not smoke in or bring dogs into our school grounds.  Thank you .      **Parent Council**  Our Parent Council work tirelessly to support our school with fundraisers and being visible at school events such as our recent Race for Life which raised over £350!  Our next meeting is our AGM on Monday 20th November 2023 7pm and is a virtual TEAMS meeting – all welcome!  Our Parent Council are supporting us in seeking volunteers for our school – we are looking for help in a number of ways covering a range of skills.  Can you help with:-   * Running a healthy tuck shop * Painting our school benches * Delivering Bikeability * Weeding around our school grounds * Planting around our school grounds * Numeracy activities with our pupils * Reading/Literacy activities with our pupils * Lunchtime Art/Craft activities in the playground   Contact Parent Council or school if you have some spare time and can offer your skills and help – thank you. |
| **Dates for your diary – keep this safe!**    **Term 1** – 2023  19 September – Parents Evening 3.30-6pm  21 September – Parents Evening 5-7.30pm  4 October – Brew and Blether in playground from 8.40am  Shared Start – join us in class to learn through Play 9am-9.40am  6 October – Harvest Celebrations at Kinghorn Parish Church – 9.30am  P5 and P6 leading – donations for Food Bank sought  10 Oct – Pre-Loved Uniform event at Community Centre 9-12noon  **Term 2 – 2023**  9 November – Parent Council Movie Night in school hall (TBC)  10 November – INSET DAY – school closed to pupils  20 November – World Children’s Day (info to follow)  1 December – Busy End – join us in class for Xmas themed learning  7 December – Brew and Blether in playground from 8.40am  12 December – P1-P7 trip to Panto @ Adam Smith Theatre (£10 per child)  13 December – School Xmas Lunch  20 December – End of term celebrations at Kinghorn Parish Church 1.45pm  P3/4 and P4 leading  **Term 3 – 2024**  January – Scottish themed Month across school and Nursery  26 January – Scottish Ceilidh afternoon 1.30pm – all welcome (Tickets TBC)  29 January - Brew and Blether in playground from 8.40am  13 February – Busy End – join us in class for topic-based learning  14 February – INSET DAY – school closed to pupils  15 and 16 February – SCHOOL HOLIDAYS  13 March - Parents Evening 3.30-6pm  15 March - Brew and Blether in playground from 8.40am  17 March – Parent Council Spring Fayre (TBC)  21 March – Parents Evening 5-7.30pm  28 March - Spring Celebrations at Kinghorn Parish Church – 9.30am  P1, P1/2 and P2/3 leading  25 April – Brew and Blether in playground from 8.40am  Shared Start – join us in class to share our French themed morning  9am-9.40am  6 May – SCHOOL HOLIDAY  9 May – INSET DAY – school closed to pupils  22 May - Brew and Blether in playground from 8.40am  3 June – SCHOOL HOLIDAY  6 June – P1 to P7 Sports Afternoon – all welcome  12 and 13 June – P7 days at Balwearie  20 June – Reserve Sports afternoon  28 June – Leavers Celebrations at Kinghorn Parish Church – bring your tissues!    Recycling Centre  Do you have empty crisp bags, used pens and stamps?  Send them all to school with your child to add to our recycling centre, located near our Lost Property shelves.  *Article 29 – Right to education that helps care for the world*        Please see our separate Nursery Newsletter for all our Nursery news and the exciting learning happening with our 3 and 4 year-old pupils!  Copies available from our Nursery team too!  Many of our pupils bring their bikes or scooters to school – we encourage this but remind everyone that **ALL** bikes/scooters must be placed in our bike shed and locked for the day (please bring your lock).  Please do not leave any bikes or scooters in school overnight, as we cannot guarantee their safety.  Pupils must walk with their bikes/scooters  whilst in school grounds.  **Breakfast Club**  **Breakfast Club is open 8.20-8.50am, 50p per person daily, no booking, simply come along.**  **All pupils from P1 – P7 welcome.**  **Breakfast Club will now exit/enter via the hall door round the back of the school****.**  **Attendance at Breakfast Club is growing – which is super to see - we are seeking help – if you are a parent/grandparent/aunt/uncle etc and have time to support at our Breakfast Club – one day a week even more if you are able, please contact our school office – all offers are very much appreciated!**  We continue to be a **NUT FREE** school due to pupil allergies.    We also are a **CAR FREE** playground!  Please repsect the safety of our pupils and do not bring your car into our playground at any time.  Our JRSOs remind us all that parking at the Community Centre and walking from there is best and safest for all!  Our JRSOs will be campaiging throughout this session to raise awareness of Road Safety and Safe Travel to School.  We will be reviewing our School Travel Plan – if you are willing to support us to achieve this please let us know through our school office.  *Article 24 – Right to a clean and safe environment* |