

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are coming to the end of this school session and I would again like to thank you for your support over the last term. It hasn't always been easy and I know that many of you have found home learning difficult; hopefully with our 100% return to school this burden will be lifted. I would also like to thank all of the staff here at school who have worked so hard to support our children and members of the wider community too through volunteering at Kinloss Hub, supporting the NHS, helping vulnerable members of our community and many, many other things. You are all brilliant and the school is very lucky to have such a talented and supportive staff.



#### Hello and goodbye

On Thursday 2 July we say goodbye to Mrs Hughes who is retiring. Fran has taught here since 1996 and will be missed by everyone on the team. Her knowledge, experience and sense of fun will take some beating (as does her exceptional lemon cheesecake and blackcurrant jam!) We also will say 'bon voyage' to Miss Jardine who is setting off on an adventure first moving to Edinburgh and then on to New Zealand. Sophie has been with us since her NQT year; she is a very talented teacher who will be an asset to any school she works in.

We welcome to the team Mrs Clare Waddington who joins us as Mrs Alison Nelmes' job share partner and Mrs Jennifer Dawson who will undertake her NQT year with us.

#### Classes for next session

Information about which class your child is in will be sent out separately in an email. Please bear with us as this is a huge undertaking and we need to make sure everyone gets the correct information. P1 children already know who their class teachers will be.

Classes for next year will be:

P1 – Mrs Clark and Mrs Thompson

P1/2 - Mrs Tulloch

P2 - Miss Mackenzie

P3 - Mrs Nelmes and Mrs Waddington

P3/4 – Miss Reid

P4/5 – Miss Webster

P5 – Mr Sleaford

P6 – Mrs Dawson

P6/7 – Mr Charles-McKeating

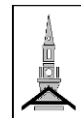
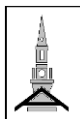
P7 – Mr Troon

#### School library

Many thanks to Mrs Taylor who has sorted out the library, it looks fantastic and a huge 'thank you' to the families who spent time during lockdown clearing cupboards and shelves and donating the books they had grown out of.

#### Pre-loved school clothes

The Parent Council have organised a drop-off point for you to donate unwanted items of school uniform at the main door of the school. There is more information about this in a letter sent out on Friday.



#### IT support

For those families who borrowed a laptop or iPad from school, please return it to us by noon on Thursday 2 July.

#### Educational Psychology

Moray Educational Psychology Service know that school staff are working hard to provide quality information to parents to help their children's wellbeing and education. As these are unusual and challenging times we would like to provide a wider service to families to help support this work. If you would welcome the opportunity to chat about any social, emotional or educational concerns about your child with our link Educational Psychologist Emma McLeod, they can be contacted via email on [emma.mcleod@moray.gov.uk](mailto:emma.mcleod@moray.gov.uk) or a telephone message can be taken on 01343 550999. Parents/carers that already have, or have had, involvement with the service can, of course, make contact in the same way.

#### Free School Meals/Financial Support

Family circumstances may change quickly during this time, if you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals, please use the link below to find out more. If you are a parent of a P3 child who has been getting school lunches you will need to apply for Free School Meals to start in August if you are eligible for them too.

[http://www.moray.gov.uk/moray\\_standard/page\\_55486.html](http://www.moray.gov.uk/moray_standard/page_55486.html)

#### Moray Emergency Relief Fund

This fund has been launched to support families across Moray who are facing severe hardship, illness or poverty as a result of the coronavirus crisis. You can read more information here –

<https://newsroom.moray.gov.uk/news/moray-emergency-relief-fund-launched>

Applications to the fund can be made using this link -

<http://www.moray.gov.uk/downloads/file132792.pdf>



Thursday is the last day of this school year. I hope that the summer brings us relief from the many constraints we have been under for the past three months and that we do not see a rise in cases of coronavirus. Thank you for your support over this very difficult and challenging period for the school. I hope that you are able to enjoy some relaxing holiday time with family and friends.

The staff here at Anderson's all wish you and your families a lovely summer; we are looking forward to welcoming you back with us in August.

Sara Neil  
Head Teacher