

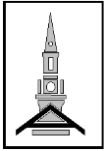
Anderson's Primary School Newsletter

February and March 2024

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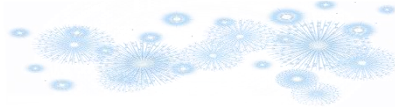


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Dear Parents/Carers,

We have our STEM event underway at the moment so look out for pictures on Dojo of what has been going on. It's always very popular, with children having the opportunity to work with different teachers and take part in a variety of experiments and challenges.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Friday 9, Monday 12 and Tuesday 13
February 2024 – mid term break**

Thursday 22 February – School discos (5.45pm
– 6.45pm and 7pm – 8pm)

Friday 23 February – P2 class assembly

Thursday 29 February – P7 Rotary Club
Primary School Quiz

Saturday 2 March – Forres ASG Cross Country
competition

Tuesday 5 March – AFG Meeting 3.30pm

Wednesday 6 March – Parent appointments
5.30-7pm

Thursday 7 March – World Book Day and
Parent appointments 3.30-5pm

Friday 8 March – P2/3 class assembly

Thursday 14 March – Parent Council meeting
7pm

Friday 22 March – P5 class assembly

Tuesday 26 March P7 Enterprise Day

Thursday 28 March – last day of term

Friday 29 March – Good Friday school closed

Monday 15 April – summer term begins

BUS BAY

Please do not use the bus bay as a parking spot. It should be kept clear so the school bus can arrive and depart safely. Car parking is available behind the Community Centre, Grant Park and on Leys Road.

EARLY COLLECTION

There are a number of families who collect children early across the week. Do not arrive earlier than the agreed pick up time as classes will still be taking part in learning activities.

LATE ARRIVALS/ABSENCE

We all know how hectic mornings can be and the ever changing sets of traffic lights in and around the town don't help. There are many children arriving late for school each day and whilst one or two late arrivals for a child don't have too much of an impact on their learning, arriving after 9.15am for a number of days can be detrimental as teaching input will have started and the beginning of lessons are being missed.

If your child is absent please let the school office know as soon as possible – email, call or use ParentsPortal. Should we fail to hear from you by 10am we will follow Moray Council procedures and call Police Scotland to carry out a safe and well check. Please do not use Dojo for this as these messages may not be seen by teachers until later in the day.

ALLERGY AWARENESS

We are a 'nut free' school. Please check snacks and packed lunches do not contain any nut based products e.g Nutella

HEADLICE

Be vigilant about checking your child's hair each week for head lice. If you have any questions you can ask your local pharmacist or contact the school nurse at the Health Centre.

DENTAL CHECKS

The checks due to take place in January have been re-scheduled. The new date will be shared once it is arranged.

SAFER SCHOOLS APP

The Safer Schools Scotland App is a digital safeguarding, communication and training toolkit. It has been designed by safeguarding professionals to help make the entire school community safer online. The online contextual safeguarding information is tailored to specific roles providing access to contemporary, credible and relevant content. Download from your relevant store by searching 'Safer Schools Scotland' or by clicking the links below.

- For Apple users: [App Store](#)
- For Android users: [Google Play Store](#)

To create an account, click **create an account** and input your full name, email, and password you wish to use. You'll also be asked to confirm your password. Once you're ready, click **'Register'** and this will create your account,

To log in –

1. Select your school from the dropdown menu and click **'continue'**.
2. Enter the four digit entry code provided from the table below for your unique role.
3. Alternatively, you can scan the QR entry code for your role (table below) by tapping the 'Scan QR code' button on the app login screen, which will automatically log you in.

User Role	Login Code	QR Code
Primary Pupils P5-P7	0088	Download
Parents and Carers Primary	7679	Download

SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES

Free bus travel is available to all under 22 [Young Persons' Free Bus Travel Scheme | How to apply | Transport Scotland](#)

<https://getyournec.scot/nec/>

SEVERE WEATHER AND POSSIBLE SCHOOL CLOSURE

If severe weather is expected and there is a chance that the school may have to close, please endeavour to undertake one of these three options:



1. Listen to Moray Firth Radio which has regularly updated information – 97.4FM.
2. Use the Schools Information Telephone Line:
Dial 0870 054 9999. Then dial in the school's PIN ~ 031100. Please be aware that calls to this number will be charged a 2p per minute service charge plus your call provider's access charge.
 - This will take you to the Anderson's mailbox where you will enter a menu system.
 - Dial 1 – to hear information about severe weather affecting the school day.
3. Use Moray Council's website
 - <https://secure.moray.gov.uk/mcalerts/portal/servicestatus.aspx>
 - Schools

BBC Radio Scotland and Moray Firth Radio will pick up the closure notice. A post will also be made on Twitter @theMorayCouncil.



Finally, we are beginning to see more daylight which is always welcome; the weather though continues to be cold and wet. Once the mid-term break arrives it feels as if we have a very short time left before we get to the Easter break. There are lots of things happening in school so look out for Dojo posts.

Sara Neil
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