



Rothiemay Primary School

'Nurturing aspiration for learning, relationships and life.'

Responsibility – Inclusion - Values – Empathy - Respect

May 2023



Email: admin.rothiemayp@moray-edunet.gov.uk

Phone: 01446 711220

Twitter: [@RothiemayPS](https://twitter.com/RothiemayPS)

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you all had a lovely Easter and are raring to go for a busy Term 4. This term brings with it lots of dates for your diary as there are lots of summer events being organised.

Parent Council

A huge thankyou to all those families who have completed the parent Council Easter Challenge and returned their smarties tubes. We are so grateful for all your support.

Parent Council have been busy supporting our summer term plans by organising tea and coffee stalls at some of our up and coming events. They also organised our P7 leavers hoodies and will be supporting us in funding and organising events such as the inflatables and an ice cream van for the end of term.

Being involved in the parent council is a fantastic way to support your school and be involved in fundraising and organising extra activities for the children to enjoy.

Together **E**veryone **A**chieves **M**ore!



If you would like to find out more about the role of the parent council please contact them on:

rothiemayparentcouncil@gmail.com

With this in mind, let me take this opportunity to thank all those people involved in relocating the outdoor classroom from Crossroads to Rothiemay. The parent council at Crossroads kindly gave permission and agreed that the pupils at Rothiemay would benefit greatly from this fantastic resource. A huge thankyou to all those who made this happen, we are truly grateful and look forward to using it in Term 4.

Gardening Club

Thank you to those people who volunteered their time and came to our first Gardening Club on Friday. We had a busy session and the children thoroughly enjoyed being involved in weeding the pots and cutting back some of our more unruly plants. Throughout the term we will take time to appreciate the fantastic outdoor space we have and give it the TLC it deserves. We will be putting up bird houses, planting and repotting, making and hanging bird feeders, creating bug houses and sharing ideas about how to use this fantastic outdoor environment. Different children will join us each week to take part. If you can volunteer some time please join us on a Friday 2.15-3.15, we will look forward to seeing you all.



Rothiemay Quiz Team

A huge well done to Rothiemay Quiz Team on getting through to round 2. They will be heading off to Forres Town Hall on Thursday 4th May to compete against other areas. We will contact the initial team member's first then reserves as required. A huge thankyou to those parents who have offered to provide transport for this event. Good Luck!



Twitter

We are continuing to use twitter to share your children's learning experiences. Remember you can follow us at @RothiemayPS and a twitter account is not required to access our tweets. The photos in the newsletter have all been on Twitter.



Reporting on children's learning.

The weekly learning logs will continue to support the children in reflecting on their weekly learning as well as provide a great way to regularly update parents about their child's learning. Please remember to check and sign your child's learning log each week.



Thank you to those of you who have already returned your child's report slip with your comment and signature. Please could you return this as soon as possible if you haven't already done so.

We also look forward to seeing you all at our Term 4 parents evening where you have the opportunity to discuss your child's learning with class teachers. Details about time slots will be sent out shortly and Parent Council will be available on the night for a brew and a blether in the hall.



Sports Day

Term 4 will hopefully bring some more nice weather in time for our school sports day. This year we would love to invite all parent and families to enjoy a picnic over lunchtime with the children and then stay and enjoy the sporting events and races in the afternoon. The P7's will be using their leadership skills to plan the races. The Playgroup will also join us for a fun race.



There will also be a parent council stall selling cakes and refreshments and a P7 fundraising stall.

Playgroup/New to Primary 1 Transition Events

Children joining us as Primary 1's in August will be visiting the class and getting to know the

teacher on: Friday 2nd June 11-12,

Friday 9th June 11-12

Friday 16th June 9.15-11

Tuesday 20th June 3.30-4.30 Parent information

Evening for parents of next year's Primary 1's



Primary 7 Transition

Keith Grammar School transition days will be Tuesday 13th, Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th June.

The Gordons Schools transition days will be Monday 26th June - Friday 30th June.



Primary 7 Activity Week

Primary 7's have an amazing week filled with outdoor activities with Outfit Moray. They will be learning about bushcraft and team building as well as trying activities such as kayaking, coasteering. They will be out of school from 10-3 for these activities on Tuesday 6th, Wednesday 7th, Thursday 8th and Friday 9th June.



PE Kits

PE kits must be in school on Wednesdays and Thursdays. PE kits can be left in school on your child's peg.



Term 4 Diary Dates

Monday 1st May – School Closed – May Day
Thursday 4th May – Rothiemay Quiz Team Round 2
Monday 8th May – School Closed –
King Charles’ III Coronation
Tuesday 9th May - Parent Evening
Wednesday 10th May – Parents Evening
Wednesday 10th May – P6/7 Scottish Opera
Thursday 11th May – In service closure
Friday 12th May – In service closure
Wednesday 17th May – P6’s at KGS Science Fair
Thursday 18th May – Whole school trip 9-4
Aberdeen Science Centre
Thursday 1st June – Sports day
Monday 5th June – School Closed
Tuesday 6th– Friday 9th June – P7 Activity week
Tuesday 13th- Thursday 15th June -
Keith Grammar P7’s Transition Days
Tuesday 20th June – Parent information evening
for parents of next year’s Primary 1’s
Week beginning 19th June – P7 Leavers Picnic.
Thursday 22nd June – P7 Leavers Activities.
Friday 23rd June AM – Keith Grammar P7’s
Highland Games Transition Event
Friday 23rd June PM – P7 Leavers Assembly.
Monday 26th - Friday 30th June
The Gordon Schools P7’s Transition Days
Friday 30th June – Last day of Term 4



School Calendar

Moray Council Terms Dates & Holidays:

moray.gov.uk/moray_standard/page_55829.html



This term is full of opportunities to look back and reflect on our school year, as well as look forward to the opportunities ahead. Times of change can be challenging and unsettling for some children and we look forward to working closely with all our Rothiemay families to make sure children feel ready and prepared.

Mrs Clayton

Moray Childcare Survey

Officers from Moray Council’s Economic Strategy and Development team are working in collaboration with partners across the Moray Economic Partnership to assess current childcare provision across Moray, currently conducting a survey of parents and carers in relation to childcare availability. The survey has been live for around three weeks now and has gathered a positive response rate, with 1,245 parents completing the survey to date.

The Economic Strategy and Development team would be very grateful for further responses to their survey, where it will close on Monday 8th May. The link to the survey is as follows:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/Morayparentsurvey>

- ☎ If you are having any difficulties receiving emails or group call messages please contact the school office.