



## EDUCATION, COMMUNITIES & ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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Dear Parent/ Carers

### **Mid-Term Update**

It has been a busy start to term. The vast majority of our learners have come back very much ready to learn and there is a productive feel around the school.

### **SJC Industrial Action**

Following the rejection of the latest pay offer by UNISON, a trade union representing support staff, industrial action will go ahead this week. At Keith PS, we are heavily reliant on our support staff so have taken the decision to close to pupils on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>. Teachers will be in work as per normal hours.

We expect strong support of the industrial action so, as things stand, it seems unlikely we will be able to re-open until Friday 29<sup>th</sup>. However, that situation will be kept under review and we will communicate with you via e-mail on Tuesday as to the plans for the rest of the week.

Teachers will provide some home learning to cover the three days. This will mainly take the form of consolidation tasks and more open-ended tasks which will help apply some of the topics they have been learning in class. Some classes may post on Google Classroom but teachers have been asked only to do this if the class are skilled in its use.

### **Open Evening**

Details were sent via e-mail last week. We look forward to welcoming you to school between 4pm and 6.30pm on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October so you can meet your child's teacher and view their learning from the start of term.

### **Frog Squad Coffee Morning**

We are committed to extending the range of opportunities for learners to undertake trips outwith school. Experiences are increasingly costly so we are hoping that you will be able to support the coffee morning this Saturday. The chocolate stall and home bakes are always popular so please make a donation if you are able to do so.

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We will also have a Come as You Please day on the last day of term for school funds.


### Achievements

If your child has any notable out of school achievements, we do love to hear about them. We can give them special mentions in class and at assembly and include them in the TV screen presentations. Please e-mail [admin.keithp@moray-edunet.gov.uk](mailto:admin.keithp@moray-edunet.gov.uk) with a couple of sentences and pictures if you have any.

### Forthcoming Dates

Date	Event
26 <sup>th</sup> , 27 <sup>th</sup> , 28 <sup>th</sup> September	SJC Industrial Action. See note above for details.
Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> September	Frog Squad – coffee morning (10am – 12 noon)
4 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents' Open Evening 4pm – 6.30pm
6 <sup>th</sup> October	Come as You Please for School funds
6 <sup>th</sup> October	School closes at 3pm for October break
23 <sup>rd</sup> October	School re-opens
6 <sup>th</sup> November	Flu Immunisations
6 <sup>th</sup> November	Frog Squad AGM
9 <sup>th</sup> November	Missed School Photographs
13 <sup>th</sup> & 14 <sup>th</sup> November	INSET: school closed to pupils
6 <sup>th</sup> December	Festive Fayre
13 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch

Yours sincerely



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