

Dear Families

I am ever so proud of the learners and staff at Abernethy Primary for their role in a full-on term of learning. To name but a few things we've been up to.....Nursery have enjoyed trips to the Church for Biscuit & Blether, Nursery parent Stay n Play, Play on Pedals workshops, Bookbug in the Library, visits around the school to get to know the place, play indoors and out, gym in the hall and lots of lots of imaginative play together. In School we've had Maths Challenge week, Bike fun day, House Captain events of Capture the Flag and team games, swimming for P6/7, hockey for P6/7, singing workshops for P4, trips to the Museum and outdoor learning for P5/6, celebrating national fitness day at Powrie Park for P3 and P2....not to mention the full range of curriculum learning that is our bread and butter.

We had 2 new school initiatives start this term, too , with all P1-7 pupils taking part in Leadership Workshops as well as today presenting and reporting on classroom achievements through Sharing the Learning. P1 have settled into school very well and just like magic, look like they are learning professionals already. Photos on Learning Journals can only demonstrate a tiny snapshot of all we do! We notice the children are getting tired (and so are the staff) and that's testament to the really great stuff that's been happening in our learning community. A wee holiday is just in order :P

Term 2 brings further opportunities to be the best we can be.....developing our school aims of **successful learners, confident individuals, effective contributors** and **responsible citizens**. If you have any spare time next term, please do contact the school and let us know - we love to have special guests and volunteers who might want to bake, play, read, make, chat..... come join in!

I consider myself very fortunate to work at Abernethy School where we are working together for the benefit of our children and learning community. As always, I extend my grateful thanks to the staff who make the magic happen and the children – who make it worthwhile!

Wishing you all a very relaxed October break – see you all on Monday 27 October.

Kind regards

Fiona Whittet, Head Teacher

Here is a repeat of Term 2 key dates and activities.....

Dates for your Diary, in Term 2:

Mon 27 Oct	Term 2 back to School and Nursery, usual times
Wed 29 Oct	Parent Council meeting, in GP room, 6.30pm
Fri 31 Oct	Interim Report Cards out to parents P1-7
Tues 4 & Thurs 6 Nov	P1-7 Parent Contact sessions (from 4pm onwards)
w/b 3 Nov	Nursery Parent Contacts, across the week (see sign-up sheets)

Thurs 13 and Fri 14 Nov	2 x Inset Days for professional learning (school closed to learners)
Fri 21 Nov	P7 pupils to Perth High School for Citizenship Day
Fri 5 Dec	Class events: The Sorcerer's Apprentice music workshops
Mon 8 & Tues 9 Dec	P6 Bikeability sessions
Wed 17 Dec	Christmas Assembly, in our local Church with Minister Allan Wilson (0930)
Fri 19 Dec	Nursery Christmas event in the Nursery
Mon 22 Dec	School Christmas event for parents (morning and afternoon 'show')
Tues 23 Dec	School & Nursery close 12 noon for Christmas break (return Wed 7 Jan)

Dates for class Christmas parties tbc