

- Another lunch menu change to note for next week (Monday 1 Dec) please: in Primary 1-7 – instead of Quorn Dog in a roll, the option will be Golden Quorn Dippers with mash/beans. Again, supply issues causing that change.
- We had a message from Keir, an Abernethy local in charge of Beavers in the village – please see the exciting message below: *Abernethy 66th Beaver Scouts*  
*The village has a successful and strong scouting group with Beavers (6-8yrs), cubs (8-10.5yrs) and scouts (10.5-14). Currently we have a few places free in Beavers but only for kids that are currently 6 (sadly we don't have any space for 7yr olds just now). Any parent or guardian who wishes their daughter or son to join or has any questions should email Andy Smith [andrew.smith090175@gmail.com](mailto:andrew.smith090175@gmail.com) (membership secretary) or Keir Allen [Keir.allen@gmail.com](mailto:Keir.allen@gmail.com) (Beaver leader)*
- Please note the following request from PKC... The **Perth & Kinross Council Early Learning and Childcare (ELC) Statutory Consultation** is now live. Local authorities are legally required to consult every two years on the provision of early learning and childcare. Your input helps us plan and deliver services that meet the needs of families across our communities.

**What's the purpose of the survey?** We're seeking feedback on the future delivery of early learning and childcare and anticipated childcare needs.

**How can you help?** To ensure we hear from as many parents and carers as possible, please share this information widely through your usual communication channels. We have also attached a QR Poster which you can use in your staff areas and where you may have parent/carers visitors.

**Survey link:** [Early Learning and Childcare Consultation 2025](#) **Closing date: 14 Dec 2025**

- The **Scholastic BookFair** that visited during the week of Parent Contacts was popular with families – and thanks to your purchases, we have accrued £177 worth of free books to order with them. We plan to buy sets of reading books! We'll keep you posted on which ones we order. Many thanks to all who supported the BookFair. We will only have a BookFair once every 2 years, as we do not want you to feel pressured to buy too often.

- **Christmas performance:** many parents are super ‘on it’ and asking more questions about the Christmas Performance. This year we are performing a musical play called ‘No One Wraps Like an Elf’. There are speaking parts for pupils P5-7. The rest of the school will feature throughout the play as a chorus line. They will have at least one song to sing as featured within the play and additional singing either before the play begins or after it is over (we want to maximise their time on stage for your delight!) Nursery to P4 children should simply come to school that day wearing something ‘Christmassy’ – a Christmas t-shirt, or jumper, or tinsel, or shirt/tie, or a dress, or an elf, or an angel (if you want your child to dress up) etc. Please don’t buy anything new for this. Staff will make simple things to augment the wee ones if required. P5-7 pupils will get a special note about costumes very soon. There will be a Parent Council raffle to win a very big golden cat (and a nice bottle of fizz). The cat will be on view next week in the school, hoping to drum up some sales of lucky tickets! Tickets will be £1 each.
- Please note that the Christmas performance will start bang on 10am or 2pm – so we ask please that our lovely audience arrive from 9.45 and 1.45 so you are all seated before children troop on stage at the start time. A reminder, that families will not be able to take photos/record any part of the show (GDPR must be adhered to.) We usually take a lovely photo of the class altogether that we will email to families, being aware of photo permissions.
- At this week’s Parent Council meeting, we were delighted that the Committee have agreed to fund a few purchases for us – a new water tray for the Nursery class and 5 new laptops for school (to replace the ones that have been taken away this term due to being too old to upgrade to Windows 11). The money raised by Parent Council events really does always get spent on the children – so thank you to everyone who contributes in their own way. The PC will also be giving us a £100 token to spend on purchases of cooking and baking ingredients for any class to use as the year continues. Very helpful!
- One of the main topics of discussion for the evening was parental concern over the speed with which drivers (some being parents) are taking the blind corner at the Crees and parking at pick up times. As a spokesperson for all parents at our school Parent Council would like to draw everyone’s attention to the need for safe and courteous driving / parking at all times. There is real concern that a child will get hurt – a few folks talked about ‘near misses’ just in the last few weeks. The Parent

Council are aware that I am writing about this regularly in bulletins, but they recognise some are still not fully aware of the issues they cause.

- Last week's Parent Council disco was fun for the children (well done to disco DJ Suzie on her first foray into that line of work) and we are grateful to all the parent helpers who came along to make it all tick. The disco raised over £300 (which is almost the cost of a laptop!)