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Auchtergaven Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Auchtergaven Families

Welcome back to the final term of the school session 23-24. I hope you all enjoyed the Easter break and managed to have family time, rest and relaxation, the appearance of blue skies was certainly uplifting and gives hope as we move into the summer term.

This term kicks off with our HMIE inspection. A team of 6 Inspectors will arrive on Monday the 24th at lunchtime, they will be visiting classes and our nursery, chatting to staff and pupils, and have arranged to meet with parents and some of our partners. We have all been busy preparing for the visit and we are looking forward to giving them an Auchtergaven welcome. I hope you manage to speak with them if you have time.


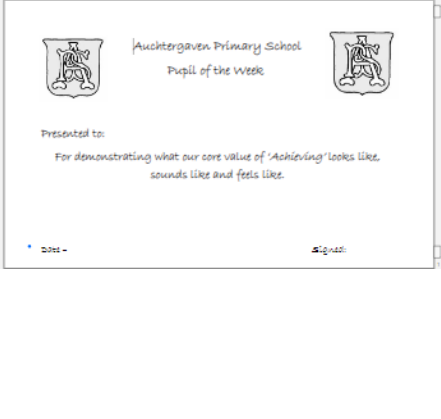


The inspectors will be focussed on various aspects of school life including learning and teaching, raising attainment and achievement, safeguarding and Child Protection and food and nutrition.

We all love the summer term at Auchtergaven with greater opportunities to learn outdoors and all the transition and celebration events.

As always, should you have any questions or concerns about your child's experience at school please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards
Catharine Findlay
Head Teacher

Diary Dates	
Fri 28.04.23	Library Bus
Monday 24.04.23 – We 26.04.23 April	HMIE visit
Mon 01.05.23	Bank Holiday School Closed
Mon 08.05.23	King's Coronation School Closed
Mon 15.05.23	Sports Day
Fri 26.05.23	Library Bus
Date TBC	P6 & P7 Cluster Sports Event (Mon 22.05.23 – Wed 14.06.23)
Thu 08.06.23 & Friday 09.06.23	P7 – S1 BPHS Transition Days
Fri 09.06.23	Moving Up Day- pupils to spend time with new class/teacher
Fri 09.06.23	Annual pupil progress reports issued
Tue 13.06.23	Parent Council Meeting
Date TBC	Early learning parent evening for Nursery and P1 parents
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Fri 09.06.23	Annual pupil progress reports issued
Tue 20.06.23 time TBC	P6 & P7 County Sports Event
Date TBC	P7 Leavers Night – More info to follow
Wed 28.06.23 Afternoon	P7 Leavers Assembly/Celebration of Achievement

	<p>Our Parent Council, with friends have been remarkably busy supporting our initiatives to develop reading at school. Over the Easter break a fabulous team of volunteers transformed a space in The Zone to provide a wonderful reading nook for pupils to enjoy reading and sharing books. They have altered the space and bought a range of new non-fiction books that link to some of the up-and-coming learning. We cannot wait to see the space getting used and developed and want to give a huge THANKYOU to all involved in making this happen.</p>
	<p>We have celebrated great achievements at Friday Get Togethers over the last few months from caring for pets to winning certificates for sports. Please continue to share any achievements with us by emailing a photo with a comment about what they have done to auchtergaven@pkc.gov.uk We understand that some children don't want to come to the front of the hall to talk about what they have achieved, we still want to hear about what they have been up to and would ask you let us know if you would like our acknowledgement to be a bit more low key. We cannot wait to hear more about our amazing pupils!</p>
	<p>Please remind your children to come to school with a jacket and be prepared for the 'four seasons in one day' Scottish Weather. Everyone needs a pair of trainers for outdoor PE. If you have any difficulty getting kit for your kids, please let us know as we could help.</p>
 <p>Bankfoot Foodshare Pantry</p>	<p>A wee reminder about the Bankfoot food share store cupboard situated at the Church Centre. The pantry is regularly topped up and full of produce to prevent food waste and support the Bankfoot Families.</p> <p>Many families are feeling the impact of increased cost of living if you would. Like some information on any available support the welfare rights team at PKC are a great starting point. They can be contacted here: https://www.pkc.gov.uk/article/13527/Contact-the-Welfare-Rights-Team</p>