

# Coupar Angus Primary School

## Newsletter 6

### January 2018

Happy New Year and welcome back to school to all of our children. As usual you can get in touch using the email address

[couparangus@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:couparangus@pkc.gov.uk) and keep up to date with the Facebook page. We also now have the text service up and running. We only intend to use for very important reminders as we are charged to use this. If the weather is bad it will be a useful method of contact, so please ensure we have your up to date numbers. Many thanks.

Mrs N Drew

#### **SOC**

The next SOC meeting is Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January at 5.30pm, all welcome. We will be discussing school developments, playground developments and any other issues parents want to raise as well as future fundraising events. Please come along to support the school.

#### **Carol Concert & Nativity**

We raised £1047 from the Carol concert for school funds, so thank you very much for your support. All the Christmas events were very successful and the children did a wonderful job as always. School funds are used to pay for everything from school trips, visitors, equipment and resources to reading books, maths textbooks and lots of other things we need over the course of a year and so this money will be put to good use.

The end of term collection was split between Mary's Meals charity and Staffie Smiles Rescue and was £70 in total.

#### **Cold weather**

Now that the weather is turning colder please ensure your child brings a jumper and coat to school as well as hats, scarf and gloves if appropriate. The children are outside at lunchtime and break unless the weather is very bad and so we want them to be cosy and warm.

Lost property is in both buildings and if items found have names on them we do try to return them to the owners.

Severe weather information is attached to the end of this letter.

#### **P1 Enrolment for 2018/19 session**

Please note that enrolment for school for P1 children for session August 2018/19 is from Monday **15<sup>th</sup> January to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January**. Parents can come to the school office and collect registration forms and need birth certificates and proof of address to enroll their child in school. The office team will be happy to help or answer any questions.

#### **Nursery enrolment for next session**

Please note that application for ELC places in nursery schools will **commence week beginning 22 January 2018 for all places in school session 2018-2019**. Please note that initial registration will **close on 14 February 2018**. Applications received after this date will still be considered but will not be included in the initial allocation of places.

Parents wishing to enrol their child should come to the school office between the dates and register their child.

There is one change to the enrolment this session:

**Parents of children currently attending nursery will not need to reapply for a place unless they wish to change nurseries. If parents wish to change the pattern of their child's attendance for session 2018-19 a written request should be made to the nursery by the date identified in Policy and Guidelines for Admission to nursery schools and classes.**

### **Term 3 – Science focus**

This term all the classes are focusing on Science and will be learning about an aspect of Science and taking action on something they discover. We have booked a Science show for some of the classes on robots and forces and we intend to have an **open afternoon on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm** to showcase all our work. Parents, family and friends will all be welcome to join us for this event.

### **P5 Swimming**

This year the P5 class will get their 10 week swimming block from Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June. A letter will be coming home soon with more information about this. Children go to Blairgowrie Recreation Centre and have a 45 minute swimming lesson, free of charge. We were unable to go last year due to no swimming instructor so P5 will have lessons this session. Children are entitled to one block of swimming lessons between P3 & P7 in PKC at the moment.

### **Rotary Quiz**

We are taking part once again in the annual Rotary Quiz. We have a quiz team of 4 members and one reserve from P7 and they are invited to Blairgowrie Campus on Tue 6<sup>th</sup> February for this event after school. The children in the team will be sent home letters very shortly.

### **Scots Assembly in school Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February**

Children across the school will all be learning Scots poems over the next couple of weeks and then we will select three finalists from each class. A winner from P1-P7 and Thinking Rooms will perform their poems at assembly in February.

### **Scottish National Standardised Assessments**

P1, P4 and P7 pupils will this year take part in national assessments. Teachers are attending training on administering these over the next couple of weeks. These will form part of our normal range of assessment tools and will not give a pass or fail result, but will let us know strengths in children's learning and what their next steps might be. These will be carried out on computers in school in February.

### **Save the date – Bingo Tea Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February**

This is always a well attended and fun evening in the town hall. SOC and school run this together and SOC use the funds to support the school. Bring a mug and your pennies for Bingo Tickets and entry. More information to follow. We always have good prizes and cakes! All welcome.

## **Dates for Diary 18**

**New dates have a \*, and I have now added in Sports Day and some end of term dates, P7 transition and many more.**

Class assembly dates are on a Friday at 10.50am, parents and friends are welcome to attend when it is your child's class assembly:

P7 – 9<sup>th</sup> February 2018  
P1- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2018  
P1/2- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2018  
P3-Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2018  
P2- Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2018

SOC meeting – Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January 5.30pm

\*Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January P7 meeting for BHS, At Coupar Angus from 6-7pm

\* Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February Rotary Quiz at 4.15pm at BHS for 5 P7 children

\* Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February P7 children taking part in a Health workshop.

\* Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February – Ella's Wobble Science Workshop

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2018 – In-service day  
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> & Friday 16<sup>th</sup> 2018 – holiday

\*Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2018 – Bingo Tea in Town hall

\*Book Fair in school Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March – Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March.

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2018 - 5-7.30pm Parent Contact

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 3.30- 6pm Parent Contact

Thur 22<sup>nd</sup> March – Robo Science Workshop in school

**\*Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2018 – Science Open afternoon 2pm all welcome  
More information to follow**

- Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018 – school closes at 3.15pm for Easter holiday

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2018 – inservice day  
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2018 – school opens for children

\*Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2018 – P5 swimming block starts for 10 weeks every Friday.

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2018  
P7 Transition morning to BHS

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2018- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May – P7 Residential Trip**

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2018 – May Day Holiday

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2018 – SOC meeting 5.30pm

**\*Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2018 – School Sports day Afternoon for parents**

\*Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June – Charity Shop for one week

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2018 – Reports issued to parents

**\* Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> & Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June P7 Induction days at BHS**

\*Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June – P7 Leaver's meal and Disco (whole school disco, times to follow)

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June – End of term service**

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2018 –school closes at 12.00 for summer holiday.

N. Drew.