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Dear Families.

I would like to extend a warm welcome back to everyone. I hope you have all had a wonderful break.

# **Christmas concert funds**

A huge thank you to everyone for helping us to raise, after expenses (including a donation to the Church), a total of £767.70. This included £341.70 from ticket sales, and £426 from the raffle and Santa Sack. This gives us enough to purchase 2 laptops for the children with a little bit left over which we plan to put towards purchasing another laptop later in the year once we have enough to do this.

RUTHVENFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL PRESENTS

# Children of the World



### Trim Trail



We received confirmation near the end of last term that Mr Paul Dailey, our previous parent council chairperson, successfully managed to attain £8000 from the Community Investment Fund 2019/20 towards a Trim Trail for the children. Putting this together with the money raised from the Gin/Food tasting event, will allow the children to select a range of outdoor equipment.

Thank you for your contributions. Our Junior Leadership Team will gather ideas from the children about what they would like.

### **Scots/Burns Celebrations**

We are looking forward to our annual Scots week celebrations which will take place week beginning 27<sup>th</sup> January. The children will bring their poems home to learn. We will be inviting our poetry judges in to Ruthvenfield on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

# **Running Club**

A reminder that Running Club started again this week and will continue to run on Wednesdays from 3:20-4:20pm except for Wednesday 29th January

# **Climbing Club**

Climbing club will be starting up again this term. Thank you to Mrs Moloney and Mrs Lockart (P2 parents) who have volunteered to run this club. Dates will be sent out soon. Anyone else who would like to help is welcome to come along to a training session in Ruthvenfield Gym hall on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January 3:30-5pm with Calum McBain from Climb Scotland.

# **Accordions**

We are on the hunt for any child-sized piano accordions which folk would be willing to donate to us if no longer being used or, alternatively, would be willing to loan to us so that I can start tuition with interested pupils. Thank you in anticipation.



### **Primary 1 Registration**

If your child will be five before the last day of February 2021, then it will soon be time to enrol them for school.

If your child will be five on or before that date, you should register your child to start school during the January registration week, which in 2020 will be the **week commencing 13**<sup>th</sup> **January 2020** for the next school session which begins on **Wednesday 19 August 2020**.

If your child is five between 19<sup>th</sup> August 2020 and 28<sup>th</sup> February 2021 they are eligible to start school on **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2020** and you should register your child for primary school during the January 2020 registration week. However, nearer to the start of the school year you may wish to delay your child's entry to school if you think that they are not ready to start.

For further info on enrolling your child for P1, please see <a href="https://bit.ly/2RMLfDi">https://bit.ly/2RMLfDi</a> or contact our school office.

### P7 pupils - Secondary School Allocation

If your child is due to go up to secondary school in August 2020, you should have received a letter this week advising in which school they have been allocated a place. For further info, please see <a href="https://www.pkc.gov.uk/schools">https://www.pkc.gov.uk/schools</a> or email <a href="mailto:ecsschools@pkc.gov.uk">ecsschools@pkc.gov.uk</a>.

Finally, a very Happy New Year to everyone and I wish you all lots of happiness and success in 2020. I look forward to continuing to work together to achieve the best outcomes for our children. Please find important diary dates on the following page.

Yours sincerely,

Sarah Burke

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#### **Important dates 2020:-**

Mondays (pm) – Mrs Bennett, drama teacher (P1/2 and P5-7)
Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> January – Curling sessions P5-7, Dewar's Ice Arena
Tuesdays – Ms. Black at Ruthvenfield (Primary Pupil Support Teacher)
Tuesday mornings – Logiealmond Primary use our gym hall
Wednesdays commencing 8<sup>th</sup> January – Running club 3:20-4:20pm (except Wed 29<sup>th</sup> Jan)
Thursdays – String tuition (Mrs Mattner)

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January – Mrs MacLeod teaching P1/2
Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January – P1 Registration Week
Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January - Gospel Assembly
Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January – P1 and P7 Dental Inspections (pm)
Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January–iBike Crew Training in school playground (Alice Arnott 9-10:15am)
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January – P1/2 mobile library

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January – Mrs Burke out of school (Leadership day) Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January – Mrs Burke out of school (Learning and Achievement visit at Abernethy PS)

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January – Reverend Malloch assembly Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January – Mrs Burke at Headteacher Day Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January – Scots Language Day

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February – Mrs Burke at Local Management Group (LMG) meeting, Bertha Park

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February – P3/4 mobile library

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February In-Service Day for staff (pupils not in school) Thursday 13th and Friday 14th February - Mid-term holidays

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February – Reverend Malloch Assembly

Monday 24<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February – Mrs Burke at Evolving Systems Training programme, Dundee Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February – Mrs Burke at Leadership Day

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March – Mrs Falconer out of school (Risk Assessment Training Course) Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March – Parent Council Meeting 7pm at Glover Arms Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March – WORLD BOOK DAY 2020 Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March – P5-7 mobile library

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March – Gospel Assembly Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March – Mrs Burke at Headteacher Day

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March – Reverend Malloch Assembly Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March – Mrs Burke at Leadership Day

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April – End of term

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April - PKC School Holidays Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April - Term begins Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – Swimming sessions begin for P4/5 pupils, Perth Leisure Pool

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May - May Day holiday (staff/pupils not in school)
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May - In-Service Day for staff (pupils not in school)
Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> and Fri 12<sup>th</sup> June - P7 Induction Days
Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June - Parent Council Meeting - 7pm at Glover Arms
Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July - End of term

You will also find a copy of PKC dates/holidays under the information tab on the school website.