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Newsletter

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Ferneielea Features

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Reminder to all Parents

If your child forgets something – do not bring it in as your child will manage without it. It will allow your child to develop their problem solving skills and we would never see a child go without. We have lots of coats, waterproofs, and equipment which can be borrowed. Cups will be provided if they forget their water bottle and a healthy snack can be provided if they forget their snack. Lunch will always be provided if they forget their packed lunch.

Don't worry – whatever your child has forgotten they will be fine.

The **only** exception to this is vital medication (phone school first).



Welcome Back!

Welcome back everyone! We have welcomed our P1s into school fulltime this week. We have also welcomed some Ukranian families into our school community and we know that you will all extend a Fernielea Welcome to them.

Ласкаво просимо! [**laskavo prosymo**] – **Welcome!**

Whole School Photograph

On Friday morning, 9th September, we're having a whole school photograph taken to commemorate our 60th Anniversary. The photograph will be taken at 9.30am (weather permitting) and all current pupils, including those who normally attend our afternoon nursery session, are invited to be a part of it. It would be lovely to see all pupils wearing school uniform including a green sweatshirt/cardigan (with or without the school logo, either is fine). We don't expect anyone to go out and buy anything for the photo, but we may be able to loan a green sweatshirt to your child if they do not have one. Please contact the school office with your child's name and approximate clothing size if you require any assistance with this. ELC children do not need to wear uniform but may wear a yellow nursery sweatshirt if they have one and want to.

The staging will be set up in the senior end playground starting at 8.30am and a barrier will be placed around the area. Please remind your children not to go near it when you are in the playground prior to school.

P7 Activities Week Poll

We would like to gauge opinion of P7 parents in relation to the P7 activities week. We are aware of the current financial situation many of our families may be facing and we do not want to add any more concern or pressure by having a P7 residential trip. The planned residential is 4 nights at Adventure Speyside in Cromdale which is run by Adventure Aberdeen. <https://www.sportaberdeen.co.uk/venues/adventure-speyside>

The cost of this is £260 per pupil. In previous years we have invited families to pay for the trip in monthly installments, but payment must usually be completed around 6 weeks before the trip commences.

We also support families to make applications to the Aberdeen Endowments Fund which can cover up to half of the cost for families who are in receipt of certain financial supports. P7 always fundraise to cover as much of the costs as they can to reduce the price for each pupil and any transport costs.

Please complete the following Google form by Monday 12th September to help us decide on the best way forward.

<https://forms.gle/JrcNcctkhPrKdUZ8>

HAPPY SAFE ACHIEVING



Roadworks

We have roadworks taking place around the school this week which will impact on access to pavements. All pavements are open but some are narrowed as a result of the barriers in place around the works. Please be careful when walking with your child and be patient as some access is affected and there may be less space to move around the perimeter of the school.

Class Assemblies

All classes will lead an assembly across the year. All dates for assemblies are included in the Dates for Your Diary section below. Parents are invited to attend their own child's assembly from 9.10am-9.30am to find out more about their child's learning. Classes will send invitations out to families leading up to the assembly dates. We look forward to welcoming you all back into school.

Parent Workshops

As part of the Aberdeen City Council Stronger Together Series parents are being offered the opportunity to sign up for some workshops which cover the following topics:

[Suicide Prevention 7th September](#)

[Parental Conversations about Children's Rights 11 October](#)

[Let's Talk About Bullying 2 November](#)

[Kid's Safety Net with NSPCC 6 December](#)

[Kid's Safety Net Workshop 2 7 February 2023](#)

Dates for Your Diary	
Friday 9 th September 2022	Whole School photo to mark our 60 th Anniversary
Friday 23 rd September and Monday 26 th September	September holiday – closed to P1-7 pupils and 9-3 ELC. Open for AM & PM ELC
Thursday 29 th September	Parent Consultation 1 – in person
Friday 7 th October	P2 Harvest Assembly – P2 parents welcome to attend 9.10-9.30
Wednesday 12 th October	Parent Council Disco
Thursday 13 th October	Parent Council AGM in school at 7pm – all welcome
Friday 14 th October	End of Term 1 for P1-7 and 9-3 ELC pupils (Nursery remains open for AM & PM pupils only)
Monday 31 st October	Term 2 starts for P1-7 and 9-3 ELC pupils
Friday 11 th November	P5 Remembrance Assembly - P5 parents welcome to attend 9.10-9.30
Friday 18 th November	Inservice Day 2 – School Closed to pupils including all ELC
Thursday 1 st December	School Christmas Fair 6-8pm
Thursday 8 th December	Senior Citizens Christmas Concert – for local senior citizens to attend – please give names to the office if you know anyone who may like to attend
Thursday 15 th December	School Christmas Concert
Friday 16 th December	Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 22 nd December	P1 & P6 Lead our Christmas Service – all parents welcome – time to be confirmed
Thursday 22 nd December	End of Term 2 for Primary 1-7 pupils and 9-3 ELC pupils
Friday 23 rd December	End of Term 2 for AM & PM ELC pupils
Monday 9 th January 2023	Term 3 Starts

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Monday 13 th February	Holiday – school closed to P1-7 pupils and 9-3 ELC. Open for AM & PM ELC
Tuesday 14 th February	Inservice Day 3 – school closed to all pupils including ELC
Wednesday 15 th February	Inservice Day 3 – school closed to all pupils including ELC
Thursday 23 rd February	Parent Consultation 2
Friday 3 rd March	P4 Fairtrade Assembly – P4 parents welcome to attend 9.10-9.30am
Wednesday 8 th March	Parent Council Disco
Friday 31 st March	P3 Easter Assembly – P3 parents welcome to attend 9.10-9.30am
Friday 31 st March	Term 3 Ends for all pupils including ELC
Monday 10 th April	Term starts for AM & PM ELC pupils only
Monday 18 th April	Term 4 starts for P1-7 pupils and 9-3 ELC pupils
Monday 18 th April	P7 residential
Tuesday 9 th May	School Photographs – class photos
Wednesday 31 st May	P1-7 Sports Day PM
Wednesday 7 th June	Reserve Sports Day PM
Thursday 8 th June	Parent Consultation 3
Friday 9 th June	Summer Fair
Thursday 22 nd June	Parent Council School Disco
Thursday 6 th July	P7 Leavers' Assembly 1.30pm
Friday 7 th July	End of Term 4 for P1-7 pupils and 9-3 ELC pupils
Tuesday 18 th August	End of Term 4 for AM & PM ELC pupils
Monday 21 st August	Inservice Day 1
Tuesday 22 nd August	Term 1 2023/24 starts

Information regarding School Term dates can be found here:

<https://www.aberdeency.gov.uk/services/education-and-childcare/view-school-term-and-holiday-dates>

You can select the academic years from the selections on the page.

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