



Newbigging Primary School



August 2014

Welcome back to all our pupils and an especially warm welcome to our new children – those new to the area. in nursery and in P1! I hope you have all had a good summer and enjoyed the fabulous weather as much as I have. The staff and I are all back with batteries re-charged ready to go!

HMIE Report

I have had confirmation that the report will be released on Tuesday 19th August. Once we have all had a chance to digest the contents and an action plan produced, I will hold an open meeting for parents who want to ask questions or make any comment. There will also be a representative from the authority present. I will be in touch with the date for this in the near future.

Uniform

All of the children have returned looking very smart in their uniforms. Can I remind you to have names on all items of clothing, including jackets, P.E. kits and shoes. Thank you.

Community Project

This term the whole school is to work on a community project with Monikie P.S. on the topic of World War I. We have already had meetings with members of the Community Council last term who approached us asking for our participation. They have applied for funding to erect a stone monument in recognition of the people who served their country from our local area. A requirement was for the whole community to be involved and to fulfil that, we are holding a WWI concert in the Monikie Memorial Hall on Friday 7th November. This event will take place of a Christmas concert this year, although we will still hold a carol service. If you have any stories, memorabilia or information that would help us with our project, please let us know. We would really appreciate your help and involvement.

P1 Parent Lunch

Before our P1's start school for the whole day, we invite them to stay for a school lunch along with a parent/carer. This is to take place on Wednesday 3rd September at 12.15pm. Anne will send home a letter next week where you can indicate menu choices. If your child would prefer to take a packed lunch on that day, that is perfectly acceptable. It is nice for them to see the routine and experience the dinner hall.

Holiday Times

We have had notice from the authority that from now on there will be no early closures to the school prior to the Christmas and Summer holidays i.e. the school will not close at 12 noon, but now at 3pm.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

We would like to invite you to have coffee in the school hall on the morning of Friday 26th September. Nursery parents are also invited to 'Stay & Play' with their child on that date. Further information is to follow.

Dates for your diaries...

Wednesday 3 rd September	P1 pupils and parents lunch
Monday 8 th September	P1s start full time
Friday 26 th September	McMillan Coffee Morning – 10.00am
	Nursery Parents Stay & Play morning
Friday 3 rd October	End of term – school closes at 3.20pm for Autumn Holiday
Monday 20 th October	Start of Winter Term
Wednesday 29 th October	Halloween Disco – evening
Thursday 30 th October	Flu Injections (P1-7) – more information to follow
Friday 7 th November	WWI Community Concert – Memorial Hall – evening
Thursday 13 th November	Parent Contact Evening
Friday 14 th November	Children in Need
Friday 21 st November	Zoolab
Thursday 27 th November-	In-Service Days – school closed to pupils
Friday 28 th November	
Monday 1 st December	St Andrew's Day Holiday
Monday 22 nd December	Christmas Carol Service – am
Tuesday 23 rd December	Christmas Party – am
Tuesday 23 rd December	End of term – school closes at 3.00pm for Christmas Holidays
Wednesday 7 th January	Start of Spring Term
Wednesday 14 th January –	Whole school to Carnoustie Leisure Centre – pm
Wednesday 1 st April	
Thursday 5 th February	Valentine's Disco – evening
Tuesday 10 th February	Safer Internet Day
Friday 13 th February –	Mid-term holidays
Monday 16 th February	
Tuesday 17 th February	In-Service Day – school closed to pupils
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day
Friday 13 th March	Red Nose Day
Thursday 19 th March	Parent Contact Evening
Tuesday 31 st March	Easter Service – am
Friday 3 rd April	End of term – school closes at 3.20pm for Easter holidays
Monday 20 th April	Start of Summer Term
Friday 1 st May	Talent Show auditions – all day
Monday 4 th May	May Holiday
Friday 8 th May	Talent Contest – am
Tuesday 12 th May –	P7 pupils to Dalguise
Friday 15 th May	
Monday 25 th May	In-Service Day – school closed to pupils
Thursday 28 th May	Pupil Reports sent home
Friday 5 th June	Sports Day
Tuesday 23 rd June	End of Term Service
Thursday 25 th June	End of Term – school closes at 3.00pm