

Cairney School aspires to be a happy, safe and inclusive learning community where everyone is treated fairly and with respect and encouraged to be the best they can be. Through high-quality, enjoyable, learning experiences, we strive to inspire and challenge our learners to achieve their fullest potential. In our school, learning is an active, exciting, positive experience. We work in partnership with parents, carers and the wider community to enable our children to become

- **Successful Learners, Confident Individuals, Responsible Citizens and Effective Contributors.**



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Cairney School Newsletter No. 2: 25th September 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

News from the staffroom



Working on the Goblin

John Forrest, who is a STEM ambassador, has been back into school this term and has helped us to dismantle the Goblin car... and has helped the P5-7 pupils to begin to build it again ready for the Green Power event in Alford next June! You can find more information about the project at: <https://www.greenpower.co.uk/about> Mrs. Morrison is now back with us full time and we have sadly had to say goodbye to Mrs. Paul. The children have also been working with Chris Lee, a rugby development officer who works with Active Schools. Chris has been coming into school on Wednesday mornings and his training sessions will culminate in a rugby festival in Huntly for the P5-7 pupils on 10th October (details to follow).

ALEC visit

We look forward to our visit from the ALEC teacher who will visit the school on Tuesday 30th October. ALEC teachers (Aberdeenshire Life Education Centers) deliver age appropriate programmes on healthy lifestyle, including drugs awareness. ALEC aims to help children understand how their bodies work, how unique and special they are and how a person's health is influenced by the choices he/she makes (details to follow).

Parent/Carer teacher interviews

We plan to have our first parent/carer teacher evening of the year on Wednesday 10th October and will shortly be sending home information so that you can book an appointment slot.

News from the classroom

We have been writing stories with a dilemma and are now learning to use journalistic language to write a newspaper report. We continue to investigate our local area (including the weather) and are busy making wall displays to present our findings. P1 are learning how to write a sentence and have been creating monsters to learn to write descriptions. In Music, the children have been learning to play the recorder and the keyboard with Mr. Main (our visiting Music teacher). We have been looking at what Buddhists believe. In Maths we have been learning lots of different things including how to round numbers, about symmetry, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, coordinates and money.



Learning to play the recorder

Extracurricular activities

We have been very lucky for the last couple of years having an after school club run by Ms. Mackrory. Does anyone else have a talent or interest that they would be willing to share with us to enrich the children's experiences? This could be after school or at lunchtimes or on a Friday afternoon. If so, don't be shy – please let us know!! We would love you to share your hobby or interests with the children!

Dates for your diary

- Friday 12th October: School closes for the October Holidays
- Monday 29th October: School re-opens for Term 2
- Monday 12th November and Tuesday 13th November: School closed for In-service days
- Friday 21st December: School closes for Christmas.
- Monday 7th January: School opens for Term 3

Yours faithfully,

Dr. Kim C Aplin
Head Teacher



Lunchtime fun – 'Go Noodle'! Keeping fit and being active!

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Parent Comments and Ideas

Please share your child/children's out of school achievements

Name:

Signed: