

JANUARY

- ABOYNE PRIMARY PARENT COUNCIL NEWSLETTER -

A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIR...

A very warm welcome to 2019, I do hope you have all had a fun filled time and everyone has had a good rest. The few weeks in the run up to Christmas had been a busy time for us all but very much worth it.

I'd like to start by saying a huge thank you to our children and staff, their hard work and dedication paid off as they delivered a fabulous Christmas concert! A very well done to everyone!

As we enter term three, our fundraising efforts are doing great! Following the success of our Santa Run and Grand Christmas Raffle we have raised approximately £3,500 towards our £8,000 target. The process of the playground improvement plan will be starting soon.

Our first Parent Council meeting of the year will be held on Tuesday 29th January at 6.30pm, venue to be confirmed, to discuss our next term. Our meetings are open to all parents/carers of Aboyne Primary School, all are very welcome to attend, please join us.

The parent council will be attending the meetings of the newly formed pupil council and eco committee, these will start soon. Watch out for more information on these groups.

Leanne

WINTER WEATHER REPORTING:

The decision to close Aboyne Primary school is not an outcome we take lightly, there are many factors to take into account.

We will endeavour to update you to any closure or delayed opening at the earliest convenience.

Please ensure all contact details are updated and correct.

We recommend listening to Northsound One or checking the Aberdeenshire Council Website and the Parent Council Facebook page.



Find us on Facebook:
Aboyne Primary School Parent Council

SPECIAL THANKS TO THE BOAT INN!

THROUGHOUT THE MONTH OF DECEMBER THEY SOLD SQUARES FOR OUR M&S CHRISTMAS HAMPER AND KINDLY DONATED £330 FROM TICKET SALES FROM A MUSIC EVENT.

RAISING A FABULOUS TOTAL OF **£835** TOWARDS THE PLAYGROUND APPEAL!

PARENT COUNCIL SPENDING

P1, P1/2, P2/3A, P2/3B and P3/4 all enjoyed a visit from the Zoolab, this visit was funded using the money allocated by the Parent Council.



"The children learned a lot about looking after and caring for animals. They met some very unusual creatures as well as some more common ones. Most children were willing to touch and handle the creatures, but did so very carefully. What a wonderful opportunity for the early stages." Mrs Walmsley

"P1 and P1/2 enjoyed their visit from Zoo Lab. They learnt lots of facts about the different animals. The favourite animals were the tortoise and the snake!"

Ms Davys



ABOYNE PRIMARY PARENT COUNCIL

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A LOOK AHEAD:

Thursday 7th - Wednesday 13th February
February Midterm - School Closed



Our next Parent Council meeting is on
29th January at 6:30pm
All parents and carers are welcome!

You donated **£127.70** for the Festive Dress Down Day!

Together with 180 others, we walked, skipped and ran our way through Aboyne's very first Santa Run! What great fun we had, raising **£900** in the process!



NURSERY NEWS:

We welcomed all our new January start pupils to nursery last week and they are settling in well.

We are only days into 2019 and Nursery parents/carers will be thinking ahead to the following year with the admissions windows for Primary One and Nursery 2019-20 opening soon:

All children who reach their fifth birthday by 29th February 2020 are invited to register for Primary One for admissions in August 2019. Applications for P1 will open from 14th January until 18th January 2019. Application forms can be obtained from the school office in this week. **IMPORTANT:** Parent/Carers will need to bring the child's birth certificate and parents/carers proof of address.

More information will follow regarding the application for admissions to nursery 2019-2020 for returning children, children who are deferring entry to P1 and new pupils.

It's very important that all applications for P1 or Nursery are made within the admissions window. Please spread the word in the community to ensure this information reaches all those parents who need to make applications. If you have any questions regarding the admission weeks please speak to Mr Redmond.

CAR PARKING

Car parking at Aboyne Primary is an ongoing issue which there is no immediate solution for, with weather conditions turning more wintry, more of us choose to drive to & from school.

Can we please ask that you are mindful of neighbouring properties when parking your car during pick up/drop off, keeping driveways, the Fire Station entrance and the School entrance clear.

If parking in the school carpark, please use the designated spaces only and refrain from parking at the roundabout, 'drop off zone' or bus bay.



Our WOW travel tracker is still in place over winter months. When time allows, please consider parking a little further away and walking the rest of the way, earning points and badges whilst you walk!

Did you know that school uniform can be ordered all year round? If you find yourself needing to top up on jumpers, you can pop into the office anytime for an order form. You can also purchase online through Tesco:

www.tesco.com/direct/aboyne-primary-school/8550.school

Please remember to name all your belongings!

If you would like to speak to us about your views please email:
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