



May 2018 Newsletter



Parent Council Update

The main focus of the parent council this year is development of the playground. A sub-group is being finalised to look at designs for the playground. This group has parent representatives from across each stage of the school, a PSA representative and a teacher representative. The children have all had an opportunity to submit their dream design and have done a fantastic job. We're not convinced that we will be able to meet all requests however!

The bulk of our fundraising activities from this year and in all likelihood the next few years will feed into playground development.

Minutes from our meetings will shortly be available to view on the newly developed school website:

<http://aboyne-pri.aberdeenshire.sch.uk/>

Our AGM is scheduled for the 19 June at the start of the annual social BBQ. More details to follow however if you're interested in joining the Parent Council then the AGM is the time to do it. We are a small but dedicated group and new members are always welcome.

Fundraising update

The film and prosecco night was a great success making £567.03 profit. The recent Bags2School event made £143. Some lovely, kind parents have also run their own fundraising initiatives including Corrine Ross making a beautiful crochet Peter Rabbit available for raffle. Thank you all for your support in all of our fundraising activities.

The May Fair is coming soon. Please keep an eye on e-mails, ClassDojo, Facebook and other newsletters for details. Each class are running a stall as a social enterprise, there will be a climbing wall and various parent council run raffle, stalls, teas and coffees. Deesidedly Tasty and Dinnie's Ice Cream van will also be on hand with tasty treats. As ever we are looking for your support, which is very much appreciated.

Aboyne Primary's very own Mr Turley is running the Edinburgh Marathon and donating money raised to the playground development fund. You can sponsor him at the following web address:

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/jon-turley?utm_id=106&utm_term=7MG5WvEGX

Annual Funding Commitments

The Parent Council fund or partially fund school trips for each class on an annual basis, to a maximum of £200 per class. Many children have already enjoyed trips this year. The fund can also be used to bring visiting specialists in however. P2 enjoyed a visit from a number of owls recently and the fund was used for this.

We also provide £60 per class to assist teachers with ad-hoc expenses. P6 were purchased a range of literacy games using this money that pupils get to play for half an hour each week. They play one each week, then their group will rotate to another one the following week and so on.

The games/activities purchased were: Breaking News Board game (spelling, punctuation and grammar), Articulate (to help improve vocabulary and team work), Story Cubes (to encourage imagination, use of interesting vocabulary / connectives / openers, as well as talking in front of a group) and the last one is an activity book to practise proof reading skills (correcting errors in grammar, punctuation and spelling).

Other Ways to Help

Use our easy fundraising account for your online shopping:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/aboyneps>

You can purchase school uniforms through Tesco and the Parent Council receive a small percentage of the sale:

<https://www.tesco.com/direct/aboyne-primaryschool/8550.school>

Shop with Stamptastic:

<https://stamptastic.co.uk/>

enter the school postcode (AB345JN) to get a discount and get us a donation at the check-out.

Volunteer ☺

Up-coming events

Saturday 12 May. 11-2

School May Fair

Saturday 16 June

Merry Go Round Sale

Tuesday 26 June

Sports day
refreshments stall

Friday 29 June

Annual Social BBQ and
AGM

A summer dress-down day and Summer discos will also be arranged for June with dates to follow.

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