

AVIEMORE PRIMARY SCHOOL/ELC NEWSLETTER



Always Learning, Always Growing, Always Positive

Welcome back to school and nursery following the Easter break for our final term of this session.

Learning This Term

This term the topic focus for classes will be as follows:

P1 - Cultural Diversity/Renewable Energy	P4/5-Renewable Energy/Electricity (Lighthouses)
P1/2 - Electricity/Healthy Bodies	P5/6 - Electricity (Lighthouses)
P2/3 - Changes in our Local Community	P6 - Technological Advancements
P3/4 - My Local Community	P7 - Technological Advancements
P4 - Electricity	Rainbow - Our bodies

For more details about your child's learning this term please see the Termly Planner on the school website - www.aviemoreprimary.co.uk available from Friday 29th April.

Staffing update

New arrivals! We are delighted to let you know that both Cherry Donaldson and Catriona Sutton have welcomed new additions to their families over the Easter holidays. Cherry has delivered a baby son, Zachary and Catriona a baby daughter, Cora. Both mums and babies are doing well. We send Cherry and Catriona and their families all our best wishes in this special time.



Student teacher - We look forward to welcoming student teacher, Nicola Dingwall, to our P3/4 class from Monday 25th April. Nicola is currently completing a PGDE teaching qualification and will complete her final 6 week placement with us, taking responsibility for the class for 10 days supported by Mrs McIntyre.

Events this term

Assemblies - We are delighted to be able to have assemblies in person again this term. We realise that this will be the first time our younger pupils (and some of our older new additions!) have experienced this and that being together in a large group for the first time can be a bit daunting. For the first few weeks we will split assemblies into lower and upper wing and gradually move towards a whole school gathering before inviting parents/carers to also join us. We will let you know when parents/carers are invited to attend.



Leavers' Assemblies will take place for nursery on Wednesday 29th June and for school on Thursday 30th June both at 11am. Parents/carers will be able to attend as long as restrictions do not change in the meantime.

Open event - We are excited to welcome parents/carers back into the school building and look forward to our first open event since 2019! Parents/carers are invited to come in to school/nursery on Friday May 20th to share learnings and view Learning Profiles. We will confirm the timings nearer the time.

We would also like to invite parents of children in P1 and P2 (or of older children who have joined school in the last two years) the opportunity to have a tour of the school to see our learning environment. If you would like to join please meet in the foyer outside the office on Friday 6th May at 1pm.

Photographs - The photographer will return to school on Wednesday 11th May to take photographs of family groups. Children who are in nursery will be included with their siblings in school. If you would prefer a photo of a different group (e.g cousins) or to include younger siblings still at home, please get in touch. The photographer will also take individual photographs of children in P5/6 who were isolating during her previous visit.



Sports Day - Sports Day for nursery will take place on Wednesday 12th May or 19th May if the weather is unsuitable at 9:15. Sports Day for school will take place on Wednesday 25th May or 1st June at 1:30 depending on weather. These events will take place on the pitch. Parents/carers are invited to attend both events.



Queen's Jubilee - We are currently planning an event to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee in June. We will give you more information soon. A reminder that school and nursery are closed on Friday 3rd June in celebration of this event.

Transition - A priority for this term will be ensuring a smooth transition for all children to their new classes in August, especially our new nursery and P1 children and our P7 children moving up to secondary school. Move up days for our P7 children going to Kingussie High School will be Tuesday-Thursday 21st-23rd June. Our new nursery children will be invited in for visits on Tuesday and Wednesday 21st and 22nd June and all the other classes in the school will experience two move up mornings in their new classrooms with their new teachers on these dates as well. See below for dates of other transition events such as the new P1 parents/carers coffee morning and information session and parent/carer lunch. Nursery and P7 children will take part in further transition activities this term such as the 'Resilient Kids' programme to learn more about embracing changes positively and informal visits to the school and playground during nursery sessions. More detailed P1 transition information is attached to this week's 'Latest News'.



Reports

Reports will be issued on 17th June. You will receive a letter explaining your child's report and a Learner's Statement written by your child.

Reports will be accompanied with information about your child's new class and teacher.

Dates for your Diary

April

- 19th Return to school/nursery
22nd Assembly - Miss MacCallum
29th Assembly - Mrs McMaster
(Guide Dog Awareness Day)



May

- 2nd May Day bank holiday
(school and nursery closed)
5th Inset Day
(school and nursery closed to pupils)
6th Assembly - Pupil Groups
6th Parent Tours
11th Photographs for family groups and individuals in P5/6.
12th Nursery Sports Day (back-up 19th)
13th Assembly - Mental Health Week
20th Assembly - P1 - Cultural Diversity Day
20th Parent/Carer open event
25th School Sports (back-up 1st June)
26th New P1 Parent/Carers Information Session
27th Star Assembly including Music Festival showcase

June

- 3rd Queen's Jubilee
(school and nursery closed)
9th New P1 Parents/Carers Coffee morning
10th Assembly - Nursery sharing learning
17th Star Assembly
17th Reports issued
21^s-23rd P7 Move up days to KHS
21st-22nd Move up mornings for rest of school and nursery.
29th Nursery Leavers' Assembly
30th School Leavers' Assembly 11am



**School closes for the Summer holidays on Thursday 30th June at 12pm
and reopens on Tuesday 16th August.**

Our Values
Aviemore Primary
Values are:
Inclusion
Everyone learning and happy
Motivated
Opportunities to play and learn
Respectful, resilient and responsible
Exploring new things

Miss E MacCallum
Headteacher

25th April 2022