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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our last newsletter of this year! Normally at this time of year we are reminding children to bring a water bottle, sunhat and possibly some sun cream to school. At the moment though, a waterproof coat is a more appropriate request! We are all hoping that the sun comes back next week, so that we can have a fantastic Sports Day on Tuesday 9th June and our Family picnic, Summer Fair and Danceathon on Friday 12th June. We are keeping everything crossed for sunshine next week!

It is not very long now until the end of term and there are lots of exciting events and activities happening before we break up on Thursday 2nd July. Primary 7s have visits to Lossiemouth High School, our new Primary 1s will be joining us for transition visits and classes will meet their new teacher for their transition visit in the morning on Thursday 18th June. We will end the year with our Church Service and also our Primary 7s assembly and Leavers' Show which we are all really looking forward to seeing, as we sadly say a fond farewell to our current Primary 7s. We hope you are able to join us at our events before the end of term, especially our Family Fun afternoon on 12th June.

Charity Shop Monday 1st – Friday 12th



We are incredibly grateful to our fundraising members of our Parent Council for securing the Lossiemouth Charity Shop for us for two weeks. At the moment we are looking for any donations to help sell in the shop and any

volunteers who are able to give a couple of hours in the mornings when it is open from 10am – 12pm. This is also a fantastic opportunity for our children to develop their financial education skills and so far they have been helping out in the shop. It would be wonderful if we had any parents, grandparents or relatives who would be willing to help us out, we would be very grateful – thank you.

Painting Party

We had our first Painting party session on Friday 22nd June, and we were really grateful to the staff who helped to paint the school. The Den had a fantastic makeover and looks amazing and our entrance and corridors are looking brighter. We would be thrilled if anyone else is able to come and help us paint as our next session is on Friday 5th June 3.30 – 4.30pm and everything is provided for you. We hope you can join us!



Family Day afternoon Friday 12th June 2pm – 4pm



Our Family Fun afternoon with bouncy castles, sponsored danceathon and picnic will be held in the school playing fields on Friday 12th June between 2pm and 4pm. As part of our Enterprise and financial education, some of our upper stage classes will also have some stalls for you to visit. We are hoping this will be a fun event for everyone at school and a big thank you

to our organisers for all of their hard work in organising this event for us all. We hope you can join us for this fun event!

Sports Day – Tuesday 9th June 9.15am

Our School Houses

MacDonald	Dunbar
Anderson	Brander

We are really excited that our Sports Day will be on Tuesday 9th June at 9.15am for all classes. All of our classes have been practising hard in preparation for the competition. This year we will have two separate tracks one for P1 – 3 races and one for P4 -7 races. Parents who have children in both year groups will be able to sit near both tracks to see their children. We are hoping that Sports Day will be completed by 11.30 / 12pm at the latest and information about the different races will be shared with parents on the day. All children are asked to wear their PE kit to school that day and wear their house colour t-shirt. We hope you can join us for this fun and exciting sporting event! Our back up Sports day is on Tuesday 16th June and we hope the weather is good for us on the 9th June!



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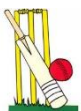
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Primary 1 Transition Dates



We had a lovely morning on Tuesday when we held our Teddy Bears' Picnic for our new Primary 1s joining us in August and our current Primary 6s who will be their buddies. This was a really successful event and it was lovely to see the Primary 6s reading to the Primary 1s and their teddies. We still have a few transitions sessions left for our new Primary 1s and they are as follows:



Thursday 18th June 9.45 – 10.30am Step Up Morning
Tuesday 25th June 3.15 – 3.45pm Stay and Play session to see the classroom and meet the class teachers

A big thank you to Mr. O'Neill and our class teachers in Primary 1 and Primary 6 who have helped run such successful sessions in school. We are really looking forward to welcoming all of our new Primary 1s to school in August and hope they enjoy their visits to the primary 1 classroom.

Healthy Masculinity sessions for Primary 7

Due to some concerns raised about language and comments being made, Primary 7s at St. Gerardine and Hythehill came together to attend workshops led by members of our local community, parents and school staff to promote positive masculinity. The sessions were held at both schools and we are very grateful to all of the volunteers who willingly and enthusiastically joined us for the discussions on both sessions:



Parents: Mr Wickins, Mrs Norcross and Mrs Napier
 Lossiemouth Baptist Church: Mr Patterson and Mr Morton
 Elgin Round Table: Mr Burt, Mr Legge, Mr Shaw,
 Sansum Martial Arts: Damon Sansum
 Lossiemouth Fire Station: Mr Campbell
 Dandelion Support Workers: Mrs Hoskins and Mrs Maxwell
 Dandelion Project Worker Moray: Mrs Fyfe

Primary 7 Class Teachers and Mrs McGurk, DHT at St. Gerardine and Primary 7 Class Teachers at Hythehill Primary School

Kwik Cricket

Very well done to our Primary 6 Kwik Cricket team who recently won their competition round in Elgin and will be competing against teams from schools across Moray on Tuesday 9th June. We are very grateful to their coach Mrs Joss, who has been working very hard with the team and we all wish them every success in the next round.

Park Run / Active Schools – Final Results

LARGE SCHOOL LEAGUE TABLE		
Position	School	Points
1	Bishopmill Primary School	137
2	St Gerardine Primary School	78
3	Greenwards Primary School	63
4	West End Primary School	55
5	Hythehill Primary School	30
6	New Elgin Primary School	27
7	Hopeman Primary School	27

Congratulations to everyone who took part in Moray's Park Run events throughout the year. We have finished in a very impressive second place after the final all events at the end of May. Very well done to everyone who took part and represented our school.

Behaviour – Consultation and Working Group



Thank you to everyone who was able to join our meeting about our Positive Relationship Policy. It was a very productive meeting, with lots of great ideas being shared between parents and school and our next step will be for a parental survey and we are keen to hear your views, thoughts and suggestions. When the data from the surveys has been collated we will be inviting the group to meet again and if any other parents would like to join us for the session and discussion, information will be shared on the survey link.

Shared Learning Events

Class teachers will be in touch about any further class learning events this term.



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Parent Council

Recently we had our last Parent Council Meeting of this year and it was our last meeting for some members who have supported the Parent Council for a long time and will sadly be leaving as their children move on to Secondary School. We thank them for all they have done for St. Gerardine's Primary and are incredibly grateful for their support, hard work and dedication and we wish them well as their children embark on their educational journey.

When we return next session we will be holding our Annual General meeting when our next Parent Council Members are voted in to represent the whole school parent forum. We are hoping some new members will join us in these exciting roles and if you would be interested in supporting the school through joining our Parent Council? We really hope so! Information about the date of the AGM will be shared at the start of next session and we hope you are able to join us.



Primary 7 Transitions

New Secondary School



This month our Primary 7s have their full transition days to Lossiemouth High School on:

Wednesday 17th June at Lossiemouth High School

Thursday 18th June at Lossiemouth High School

We have organised an activity day on Friday 19th June with additional transition activities at St. Gerardine / Hythehill PS. More information will be shared closer to the time.

DIARY DATES

JUNE

5th – Painting Party 3.30 – 4.30pm

9th – Sports Day 9.15am – 9.30am – all classes

12th – Family Picnic followed by Summer Fair / Danceathon

16th – Back up Sports Day

17th – Primary 7s at Lossiemouth High School

18th – Primary 7s at Lossiemouth High School

P1 visit 9.45 – 10.30am

Step Up Morning for P1 – 6 year groups

19th – DDD Father's Day Shop

Primary 7 activity day

22nd – Health Week

Primary 6 Bikeability

25th – P1 visit 3.15 – 3.45pm Stay and Play session

26th – School Reports Home

30th –

Primary 7 Show at 2pm

JULY

1st – Primary 7 Leavers Assembly at 2pm

2nd – Dress Down Day / End of Summer Term

AUGUST

17th – In Service day for school staff

18th – In Service day for school staff

19th – 8.55am School open to all pupils

Hoping everyone has a great last few weeks of this academic year and a wonderful summer holiday when it comes, Best wishes,

Mrs Wolford, Head Teacher.

FAMILY FUN AFTERNOON

Friday 12th June
2pm-4pm

School Field

Come and join the fun, bring your own picnic.

Bouncy Castles and music for all the family to enjoy.
Small charges apply