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#### **Dear Parents/ Carers**

It has been another busy term at Fyvie with everyone settling into their new classes well. We have had a number of new children arrive at the school and it is lovely to see them so welcomed by the other children.

We had a very successful **Macmillan Coffee morning**, thank you to everyone who volunteered and attended, we managed to raise £386.45 which is an amazing amount.

The **Rotakids** are collecting for the Shoebox appeal this year, letter will be going out with suggestions for donations, if it is easier and you are able, we will also take in cash donations. We are aware of how the cost of living is affecting everyone so do not feel pressured into donating.

The **Christmas Fair** is on the 25<sup>th</sup> November and more details will follow.

The **Film Club** has restarted and the first night was very busy and thoroughly enjoyed by all. Reverend Jaffray will be restarting the Lego Club but, again, more details will follow.

Can I remind the **P7 parents** that the initial deposit is due for the **Loch Inch trip**, we need to confirm our numbers with the venue and we are not in the position to do so yet.

There has been a number of children banging on the playground door and/or climbing on the flat roof at the back door after school. This is both upsetting for any staff that are still in the building and potentially very dangerous.

The **pickup** at the back gate does not seem to be working so, as a staff, we have decided to revert back to the old system where all children go out the same door, after the October Holidays. This prevents confusion with children who normally go on the bus but are being collected as a change. I have mentioned to the police about the parking and will arrange for them to be outside at pick up time to ensure everyone's safety.

Can I add a gentle reminder that all clothing be **named** as our lost property is filling up. As we go into the colder months, please can you make sure that the children come into school with suitable clothing. We will supply all children with a cotton bag for wellies, hats and gloves to hang on their pegs but if you would like to put a named carrier bag into school for winter items, we would be very grateful.

We are very sad to be losing Karen Barclay from the office, as she has successfully secured a position at Meldrum Academy. I'm sure we will join us in wishing her all the best in her new role and we all know how much she will be missed.

I hope everyone has a lovely, relaxing 'Tattie Holiday' and return refreshed and ready for the season of glitter and carols.

Thank you,

Glenna Hendry

# Dates for your Calendar 2023-24

# 16th October - 27th October Holiday

30<sup>th</sup> October: Term 2 Starts
15<sup>th</sup> November: Parents' Evening

16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> November: In-Service
24<sup>th</sup> November: P2/3/4 Assembly
25<sup>th</sup> November: Christmas Fayre
15<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Carol Cafe
W/B 18<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Parties/ Panto in school
21<sup>st</sup> December: Provisional Church service

# 22<sup>nd</sup> December – 5<sup>th</sup> January 2024 Holiday

8<sup>th</sup> January: Term 3 Starts
8<sup>th</sup> February: Café
9<sup>th</sup> February- 12<sup>th</sup> February: Holiday
13<sup>th</sup> &14<sup>th</sup> February: In-Service
23<sup>rd</sup> February: P6/7 Assembly
8<sup>th</sup> March: Provisional date for reports
12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> March: Parents' Evening
15<sup>th</sup> March: Fair Trade Café
28<sup>th</sup> March: Easter Assembly

# 29th March – 12th April: Easter Holiday

15<sup>th</sup> March: Term 4 Starts
26<sup>th</sup> March: P4/5 Assembly
3<sup>rd</sup> May: Café
6th May: Holiday
31<sup>st</sup> May: P1/2 Assembly
3<sup>rd</sup> June: Holiday
14<sup>th</sup> June: Provisional Sports' Day
21<sup>st</sup> June: reserve Sports' Day/ Café
3<sup>rd</sup> July: Leavers' Assembly and Award Assembly

# 5<sup>th</sup> July: Last Day of School