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Dear Parents,

We are nearing the end of term and enjoying the longer days and warmer weather, it feels like Spring has finally sprung!

### **Walk and litter pick**

Tomorrow, Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March P1-3 and P4-7 will all take part in a walk and litter pick. This will be done in the local area, a gentle stroll down the glen, and fits with our context for the term of our local community. Please ensure your child is wearing appropriate clothing and footwear for this.

### **End of term trip**

On Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March we will have an end of term trip doing a 'Guided Bus Tour' within our local area. We will visit Midmar Church and stone circle, the local fishery and St Mary's Church. Mrs Black is going to share some of her local knowledge along with another local community member. We look forward to hearing about Midmar in years gone by and becoming a little more familiar with the rich history and heritage of our local area. Pupils should wear clothing and footwear appropriate for being outdoors in any weather and bring a snack that will fit in their pocket. Please complete the following Consent Form: <https://forms.office.com/e/V4GxeLgnkR>

### **Play**

As you are all aware, we are currently developing play and creativity in school. The children are responding well to this and are demonstrating lots of new skills as a result.

It has become apparent that we could do with a few more resources (for both inside and outside play) and we wondered if you would be able to help us with any items.

We would be delighted if you had any of the following at home that are spare/unwanted and that you would be happy to donate to school.

#### **FOR INSIDE:**

Role play items for different settings eg hairdressers, vets, ice cream parlour, pizza restaurant/take away

Dressing up clothes/shoes/hats/handbags/beads (old items of your own are ideal)

Old kitchen weighing scales

Toy Hoover, kettle, iron

Dolls and doll clothes

Curtain hooks

Buttons

shells

Tuff trays

Storage baskets

#### **FOR OUTSIDE:**

Pallets/planks of wood – no splintered wood or risen nails

Tarpaulins

Drain pipes (plastic)

Old saucepans

Old cutlery and kitchen utensils

Tuff trays

Once again, we really appreciate your support with this and look forward to inviting you in for a shared play

session next term.

### **Rotary Quiz – Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March**

A huge well done goes to our P6/7 pupils who attended the Rotary quiz in Alford last week. They did extremely well and we are very proud of them, more importantly they all report they enjoyed the experience. The overall winners on this occasion were Towie Primary and we offer them our congratulations.

### **P4-7 Class**

Mrs Sutherland would like to thank parents for their support in encouraging the children to complete and hand in homework on Fridays, it has been great to see almost a full class of homework being handed in.

### **Willow Workshop/Tunnel repair**

Deeside Willow ran a very practical and interesting workshop with P4-6 pupils last week. They enjoyed learning the skills of weaving with willow and created some very impressive fish! Our next task is to get the willow tunnel back into shape – more information to follow.



### **Parent Council**

The Beetledrive fundraiser will take place this week on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March at 7pm in Midmar Community Hall- please join us if you can and remember to bring your own snacks. Also, a reminder that our next Parent Council Fun Day planning meeting is on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April at 6pm in the school hall.

### **Houses**

Our first 'House Reward' will take place next week. We will find out who the winning house is at the end of the week and will discuss what they would like for their reward before the end of term. It is currently very close!

### **Charity Donation**

We are delighted to say that we have donated £185.70 to our chosen charity this term - the Gathimba Edwards Foundation. This was money raised from the community cafes in November and March.

### **Gate repair**

We are extremely grateful to Midmar Mens Shed for fixing our gate into the Millenium Garden at the far end of the playground.

### **Easter Assembly – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March**

Parents are all welcome to attend our Easter Assembly next week, Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 2.30pm.

### **Midmar Netball Training**

We have decided to do a wee training session for netball this Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> March just to do/start something before the Easter Holidays, 3.15 – 4.15pm. Please contact Lynn Worth or Lesley Tierney for further information.

Yours sincerely,

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**Diary Dates**

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March – Walk and litter pick

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March - Beetledrive 7pm in Midmar Community Hall

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March - Bus trip around Midmar Community

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March- Easter assembly 2.30pm

Easter holidays – last day is Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March. School reopens on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April - Parent Council meeting, 6pm

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May- Early notice of Midmar Fun Day