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“When you believe in yourself, anything is possible.”

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“Snowflakes are one of nature’s most fragile things but just look at what they can do when they stick together.”



HOUSE POINT UPDATE

DRUM	FYVIE	FRASER	CRATHES
979	1093	896	988

CONTEXTS FOR LEARNING

The following IDL projects for classes for the second part of this term are:

NURSERY: Spring			
P1	Katie Morag	P5	The Blue Planet
P2	My Local Area	P5/6	North Sea
P3	Healthy Body	P6	Oil/Minature Earth
P4	The Natural World	P7	Rainforests

WORLD BOOK DAY

As you are aware, yesterday marked World Book Day. This was celebrated throughout the week with a series of highlights and events:

- Every class created a door display to share a class novel they have been studying. These can be seen on Mrs. Jones’ blog
- Storyteller visited P3
- P5/6 & P1 shared stories around a “campfire” inside (due to the adverse weather conditions)
- P6 shared stories with the nursery
- P7 visited Hazlehead Academy library
- P4 created a scavenger hunt for P2
- Grace Banks, children’s storyteller, worked with P5 & P5/6 and will work with P1 & P2 next week

Unfortunately, we had to postpone campfire stories outside with our local ranger. This will be rescheduled when the weather improves. All children received a book token as part of World Book Day to be redeemed in local book stores. Hopefully, all of these activities will instil a love of reading and for those who do not enjoy reading – that’s because you’ve not found the right book yet!

ACTIVE SCHOOLS

As we are ambitiously aiming to have all pupils involved in an activity. If your child is not currently involved in something beyond the classroom and is interested, please let us know. Recent additions to the list are snow boarding lessons amongst others. Thank you to all our sporting parental volunteers who attended an information evening last week. We have secured sponsorship to provide all regular parental volunteers with a hoodie.

STUDENTS

We are delighted to welcome 5 students this term. They are currently working in P1F, P2D, P3T, P5 and P6.

ANTI-WEAPON POLICY

As you are aware, there was a recent incident in school involving a knife being found on the perimeter of the school fence and pathway. I hope that all parents felt reassured that the incident was dealt with in accordance with Aberdeen City's Anti-Weapon and Knife Crime Policy. I was hugely impressed with the pupils in the school and they exhibited all the qualities a parent or head teacher could wish for. They were responsible and acted with maturity around the whole situation. It was unfortunate that the information I sent out to parents was passed on to the local media resulting in an unnecessary and alarming headline on the front cover of the local newspaper. I am sorry if this caused anxiety. Please be reassured that regular checks of our school grounds are carried out before pupils access the playground.

SCHOOL DISCO

The school disco raised £500 so a big thank you to all the pupils and parental helpers who attended. Can I please remind all parents that pupils are not permitted to take their mobile devices for health and safety and indeed privacy reasons. Also, can I ask parents to restrict the amount of money they give their child to buy snacks to £1.50.

LOST PROPERTY

Please, please, please ensure that all your child's belongings are clearly named. Unfortunately, we still are receiving lots of lost property items which we can't return to their rightful owner. Given how expensive these can be, it is even more imperative that the naming of items is adhered to.

ADVERSE WEATHER

I appreciate that it has been a difficult week for staff, parents and pupils travelling to and from school in this cold spell. Many thanks to everyone for making every effort to ensuring that the school still provides an education service. In these times of very cold weather, it is crucial to ensure that your child is appropriately dressed for the temperatures outside. Please remember that all children will be outside whenever possible.

Kind regards
Barbara Jones 😊