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**"When you believe in yourself, anything is possible."**

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**"You don't have to see the whole staircase,  
just take the first step."**



# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

A belated Happy New Year to everyone. We are now 6 weeks into a new term and new year and it's been a very busy start to 2019.

We say a big welcome back to Mrs. Nicolson who joins us again after maternity leave. She is now teaching P1F alongside Mrs. Hoy. Mrs. Feaks has commenced her maternity leave so we wish her well over the coming year.

Sadly, we say goodbye to Marta who is part of the school's janitorial staff as she leaves to return to Poland. We also say farewell to Moira, one of our catering staff, who has been at Hazlehead for approximately 25 years as she commences her retirement. We value both their contributions to school life immensely and wish them well for their future.

## **GOLD SCHOOL SPORT AWARD**

Hazlehead School will be presented with a Gold Schools Sport Award by Sports Scotland on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February. The school will present to invited guests, comprising of partners and volunteers who contribute to sport within Hazlehead School.

## **ACTIVE SCHOOLS**

The term 3 programme of events has commenced. Please encourage your child to be involved in a club so that the school can reach their target of 100% involvement. For more information, please see <https://www.hazlehead-ps.aberdeen.sch.uk/2019/01/active-schools-whats-on-hazlehead/>

## **ABSAFE**

All P7 pupils will be visiting Gordon Barracks, Bridge of Don next Thursday (20.02.19) as part of the school's health and wellbeing programme. The pupils will be learning about safety and risk assessment strategies through a highly interactive event.

## **NSPCC**

All P6 and P7 pupils were recently visited by NSPCC to learn about and discuss the 'Speak out. Stay safe' programme as part of our Health and Wellbeing programme. The parental link for more information can be found below.

<https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/services/speak-out-stay-safe/#article-top>

## **ROTARY QUIZ**

As you may be aware, our P7 Rotary Quiz team were successful in the local heats held here just before Christmas. They will now go through to the Area Final which will be held on Saturday 20th April at Mackie Academy, Stonehaven.



### **NETBALL MATCH**

Our school netball team enjoyed a game against Ashley Road School last week. We have several further matches planned prior to the annual Rosebowl competition which will be held in June. Miss. Simpson and Mrs. Nicolson, along with Mrs. Mair, coach the girls.

### **RAG BAG**

Thank you to everyone who donated clothes for our recent Rag Bag collection. Your efforts raised £188.40 for our school!

### **ABSENCES**

To report your child's absence, you can always inform us by telephone or email before 9.30am if possible. Any planned absence must be noted in writing in advance.

### **EMAIL/GROUPCALL MESSAGES**

This newsletter has also been sent to parents by email/groupcall. If you have not received it electronically, please let the school office know by email – [hazleheadprimary@aberdeencity.gov.uk](mailto:hazleheadprimary@aberdeencity.gov.uk)

### **UNIFORM**

Please ensure that your child comes to school in the correct uniform. Black school shoes along with black indoor shoes are the expected standard. PE hoodies should not be worn unless participating in PE activities/outdoor events. Leggings are not acceptable and children wearing tights should always ensure that they have socks and appropriate footwear for PE.

### **LOST PROPERTY**

Sadly, we still experience high levels of lost property which largely goes unclaimed. Lost property will now be tagged and dated. It will be recycled after 3 weeks if not claimed.

### **SCHOOL DISCO**

The school disco will be held on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February at the following times:

- P1 - P3: 6.00pm - 7.15pm
- P4 - P7: 7.30pm - 8.45pm

Tickets cost £2.50 to be paid at the door. While there is a tuck shop, please can I ask parents to limit money for their child to spend. We suggest a maximum of £1. Also, for health and safety reasons, mobile phones are not permitted at the disco. Finally, the Parent Council are looking for volunteers to assist with the running of this event. If you are able to do so please add your name to the list by clicking on the link below for the slot which you can help out at. Please arrive 15 minutes before your time slot for smooth handovers.- <https://volunteersignup.org/834L4>

### **PARENTAL FEEDBACK**

We will shortly be sending out a self-evaluation survey, in partnership with the Parent Council, to gather your views and ideas on how we can engage with parents in their child's learning. In the interim, if you have any great ideas for things you would like to see happening in the school, please get in touch with us by email [hazleheadprimary@aberdeencity.gov.uk](mailto:hazleheadprimary@aberdeencity.gov.uk) by phone (01224) 498120 or write me a letter!

**Barbara Jones** 😊

