

Staffing Update

Mrs Greenhill is currently absent and will be off for the rest of the school term. She is going into hospital on Monday for an operation. We are all thinking of her and wish her a speedy recovery. Mrs Joanna Stout will cover in P3/4 until the end of session. She is very cheerful and enthusiastic and has already formed excellent relationships with the children. If you wish to meet Mrs Stout or if you have any queries or concerns please just drop in at any time. I have also been told that I will officially take up my post at Whitehills in August at the beginning of the new term. I am really pleased that I will be at Newtyle until the end of this term as this will allow me to see the session through and finish off any outstanding projects, and of course enjoy the summer school trip with the children! As yet I have no news on my successor but I will keep you updated with any information when I receive it.

Joseph Production and P3/4 Class Assembly

Unfortunately due to Mrs Greenhill's absence we have made the decision to postpone the end of year Joseph show and after school rehearsals. Mrs Greenhill would like the chance to do this again with the children next term and hopes to invite back P7 children to participate. We are sorry for any inconvenience caused.

The P3/4 class assembly was also due to take place on Friday 15th June but as Mrs Stout has only just taken over the class there will not be enough time to prepare for this. However during the Open Afternoon on Wednesday 6th June all classes will be presenting something to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee so P3/4 will get the chance to showcase their learning at this event.

School Uniform

Orders for school sweatshirts should be in by Friday 1st June, so that sweatshirts etc. can be with you for the end of term.

Our Swap Shop for school uniforms is currently located in the foyer, please pop in and have a look. If more information is required please call the office.

I would also like to remind parents that Monday 28th May is an In-service day for pupils and Tuesday 5th June is the Diamond Jubilee Day holiday.

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NEWTYLE SCHOOL and Pre-school



May 2012 Update.

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Dear Parents / Carers

Sports Afternoon

Weather permitting, our Sports Afternoon for Pre-school—P7 pupils will take place on Thursday 31st May at 1.15pm. If the weather is miserable please phone in the morning to check if sports are still going ahead. We will have an early lunch from 12noon-1pm.

The lunch choice for this day will be a Lunch Pack, which is a choice of sandwich, a salad pot, cup cake or tray bake, a piece of fruit and a drink of orange or apple juice. Children can still bring their own pack lunch if they prefer.

Please will you ensure children come to school in the morning dressed in tracksuits/jogging bottoms and suitable trainers along with a waterproof jacket. They will get to change into their gym kit in school. Please also ensure that your child has a labelled bottle of water so they have access to drinking water.

Please may I remind you that older siblings that should be at secondary school should not attend this event, as revised attendance procedures means that we have to report this to their secondary school and can I ask that you also respect the council's policy of No Smoking permitted anywhere within the school grounds.

Sunny Weather

As the temperature is increasing and we have benefited from many sunny days, can you please encourage your children to bring in a named sun hat and sunglasses for protecting them in the sun at playtimes and also bottles of water.

We would encourage you to apply sun cream in the morning on a sunny day. We cannot apply sun cream but if you wish please send in sun cream (in a non spray bottle) so that children can apply their own when required.

Viewing of the Olympic Torch

On Tuesday 12th June the Olympic Torch will be passing through Angus at various locations. The Education Authority have asked us to nominate two P6 pupils to attend Forfar to take part in a 100,000m challenge as the Olympic Torch is passing through Forfar. This will be a combined challenge to break the 100,000m Olympic record in a continuous relay before everyone witnesses the passing of the Olympic Torch Flame.

Taking account of the Olympic values of Respect, Excellence, friendship, Courage, Determination Equality and Inspiration, Beth Hutchison and Aaron Barnett have been selected to represent Newtyle.

We have also been invited to attend Meigle to witness the passing of the Olympic Torch and then take part in a mini-Olympic tournament with Meigle Primary School. Unfortunately we can only take our P5-7 class due to number restrictions. However should you wish, there is the opportunity to view the Olympic Torch passing through Dundee. This takes place at 6.14pm, starting at Commercial Street and will end in Baxter Park for an evening celebration. For more information regarding the Olympic Torch route and to see the Olympic Flame carriers please go to www.london2012.com/torch-relay/route/

We have decided to move our school lunch to 11.50am-12.50pm so that parents of P1-4 children can have the opportunity to take their child to view the Torch passing through Meigle at 12.11pm. If you decide to do this then children must be a home lunch and cannot return at 12.30pm to have a school lunch as the kitchen will be serving lunches at 11.50am.

School Fair.

I wish to thank you all most sincerely for supporting our Summer Fair.

The event was a great success and we have raised £943 which will go towards buses for school trips, the Christmas Panto and resources for the school. It was great to see so many of you on the day and I would like to thank you for all your kind donations and support. I would also like to thank the Parent Group for successfully organising and co-ordinating the event. Without their support we could not provide children with the extra treats, such as trips and Pantos.

I would also like to thank Beth Christie P7 and the group of fellow Irish Dancers for keeping us entertained, and also Camryn Hay P2, Danielle Fraser P3, Cayley Jamieson P3, Sarah Dallas P3, Michaela Taylor P3, Lennox McHugh P4, Elise Crighton P3, Katelyn Fraser P4, Hayley Simpson P6, Shannon Fraser P7, Beth Christie P7, for entertaining us with the modern dances that they have been learning at the T&K Dance Academy