

September Spotlight

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Communication



Improving 'Our Offer'

As detailed in the newsletter, this year we want to improve our communication and explore and expand 'Our Offer' of opportunities to engage with your child's learning. As well as a regular newsletter, we will provide additional information through 'Spotlights'. These will be themed and aim to provide families with more in depth information relating to learning and teaching.

We will also ask you what you would like to feature in these spotlights, that way we know you are getting the information that you will find the most valuable.



Please join us on
Wednesday 13th
September at
6.30-7.30pm
and hear more
about our plan
for the
curriculum this
session,
including writing
and numeracy.

Some Important Dates

Please see below a list of forthcoming dates. Class teachers will provide details of any dates specific to your child's class.

Curriculum Evening	13/9/17
Photographer (Individuals and Families)	25/9/17
Parents' Consultation Evening	26 & 27/9/17
Anti-bullying Week	13-17/11/17
'Flu vaccine	5/12/17
Christmas Parties	From 18/12/17

Sustainability

Our office team are in the process of creating mailing lists for families that prefer to receive any correspondence by email. If your email has changed, please let the team know. Where possible, families that have indicated email as a preference will receive emails for most letters, including responses to notification of children being out of school.



Bag Drop Day

Wednesday will be our chosen day to send any paper copies of letters, newsletters and Spotlights. The email versions will also be sent on a Wednesday.

A digital copy of all letters will also be loaded onto our website for future reference.



Are you creative? Would you like to design an eye-catching visual for our vision 'Achieving Every Day'? We would like to have a design that would be on our letterhead, stickers and posters.

If you would like your design to be considered please complete the attached sheet and send back to school by

Thursday 14th September 2017.

The Pupil Council will choose a shortlist and the final design will be decided by everyone in school voting. We look forward to seeing your amazing designs!

Lunch Rota

As you will be aware we have changed our lunchtime system. Although there are some initial 'teething' problems, we are confident that as we all become more used to it then it will lead to a more enjoyable lunchtime experience. Please be reassured that we do not hurry our children, and they have the same amount of time to eat their lunch as they did in the previous system.

Packed lunches: Now that children can eat their packed lunch in the dining hall, can we politely request that you ask your children to dispose of any litter or leftover food at home. Unfortunately, our kitchen team have to pay for litter and food waste from the school meal service.



As always we hope you can join us for assemblies when ever you can. We have set the dates of some of our assemblies over the session and will let you know when we add any more.

Timings:

9.15-9.45	P4 and P5
10.00-10.30	Nursery to P3
11-11.30	P5- P7

*Senior Leadership Team

8/9/17	Growth Mindset	SLT*
6/10/17	Achievement	SLT
13/10/17	Church: Harvest	P6
27/10/17	JRSO	JRSO
10/11/17	Emotional Wellbeing	SLT Anti-bullying
17/11/17	Children In Need	
24/11/17	Achievement	SLT
8/12/17	P7 Camp Experience	P7
22/12/17	Church: Christmas	P1 Nativity
12/1/18	Emotional Wellbeing	SLT
25/1/18	Scottish Focus	P3
9/2/18	Achievement	SLT
3/3/18	Holi: Hindu	P4
29/3/18	Church: Easter	P2
20/4/18	Emotional Wellbeing	SLT
4/5/18	Achievement	SLT
8/6/18	John Muir	P5
15/6/18	Eid-al Fitur: Islam	SLT
28/6/18	Leavers' Assembly	P7 @ The Brunton



Design Brief:

The design must

- Include the vision statement 'Achieving Every Day'
- Use only black, white, maroon and royal blue
- Be bold and eye-catching
- Fit within the box below.

Name:

Class: