

Dear Families

Welcome Nursery Families

Our nursery families joined us this week and we also welcome new families to Aberlady too. Children and staff are adjusting to the full days and I'm sure we have some tired children going home. It was delightful to see to the joy, smiles and the sense of wonder as they explored the nursery environment.

Collaborative Learning P4-7 August to October

This term we will be ensuring that the children who are part of a composite class have the weekly opportunity to work in their year stage not just their class. As they cannot physically be together we intend to do this in the following way:

P4 will be working with Miss Wood on a Health and Wellbeing topic

P5 will be doing Bike ability training with Mrs Atkinson, Miss King and Mrs Mason - more information to follow.

P6 will be working in the gym hall - socially distanced with Mrs Currie - working on a school magazine.

P7 will be working with Mrs Craig focusing on their P7 roles, digital work and transition.

Chrome books and Resources

We still have some chrome books that haven't yet been returned to school, can you please return these as soon as possible. Any resources such as reading books and textbooks can now also be returned to school.

Outdoor Learning

We are outside everyday so please ensure your child has suitable clothing and footwear for the weather including a rain jacket.

Lateness

Can we please ask that you encourage your child to go to the school office if they are late and not just straight to their class. This will ensure we have the correct records kept. We will reinforce the message in school too.

Walk to School

P1 and P2 will be dismissed by staff into the playground, a staff member will ensure each child is matched to an adult. P3-P7 pupils are encouraged to walk to and from school themselves, even part of the way. This is personal family decision, you know your child best and what is right for them to do and of course it depends on where you live.

Playground before and After School

We are strongly encouraging families to leave immediately after picking up children. Children should not play with tyres and equipment boxes before and after school as they are designated for cohorts of children in our play zones within school time.

Risk Assessments

As you would expect, we have risk assessments in place to ensure our pupils, staff, visitors and staff are safe. We endeavour to mitigate as many risks as we can with our new routines, procedures and enhanced cleaning regimes. If you would like to see the assessments please get in touch with the school office.

Nut Free School

We would ask that families do not send nuts or products containing nuts as a snack or lunch item. We do have pupils in school who are allergic to nuts and nut products so we need to be particularly vigilant.

Contingency Plan

We have formulated a contingency plan in case we are asked to close the school or part close the school due to a COVID outbreak. As part of the plan we would resume learning online through google classroom. Please contact the school office if you would need a school device sent home to enable your child to access online learning if we were to close the school. We will retain a list of pupil names if a closure was to occur.

Sunflowers

In April you will have received a packet of sunflower seeds from school. We would love to see photos of any sunflowers you were able to grow. We plan to do a lovely display of the photographs in school. A photo can be brought in from home or you can send an e-mail to the school office. Children can also post the picture into their google classroom.

Here is Alfie's sunflower, we also received this lovely message from the family: *'It's true what they say, plant a little seed and beautiful things will grow. Hope you enjoy them as much as we have and thank you this sunflower will always be very special and made us all smile at a difficult time for the world '*



Kind Regards

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