

# Pencaitland Parent Council Event Information



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## Grandparents' Day

Dear Parents/Carers

The school, supported by the Parent Council, is having a Grandparents' Day at the school on **Friday 14 May 2010**. You may have read about this in the PC's March newsletter or seen it on the school calendar for May. This is the first time we have held this event at our school and we hope to have your support in making this a success.

### WHAT

What is this day all about? It is when the pupils invite their grandparents or substitute grandparent into the school to share the school experience with their grandchildren. It will be a great learning experience for the grandparents too, so they can see first hand how things have changed since they were at school, instead of just hearing all the press reports about Curriculum for Excellence.

### WHY

Why are we doing this? We believe it will be great opportunity for children to share with grandparents what school is like in 2010. We also want to include grandparents in their grandchildren's school life because they are important too. They have a lot to offer the school and they can (and many do) support their grandchildren's learning. They also, perhaps rarely, get such a chance to see their grandchildren learning whilst having fun. Hopefully, it will also help spread understanding about the new curriculum.

### WHEN

Grandparents' Day takes place in the morning from **9am to 11:30am**. The timetable is as follows:

<b>9am –</b>	<b>Arrival</b>
<b>9:15am –</b>	<b>Welcome and whole school Assembly</b>
<b>9:45-10am -</b>	<b>Classroom visit/activity</b>
<b>10:30am –</b>	<b>Coffee/tea break (chance to talk to staff &amp; PC members)</b>
<b>10:50am –</b>	<b>Classroom visit/activity</b>
<b>11:30am -</b>	<b>Finish</b>

For those grandparents with more than one child at the school, there should be sufficient time to visit all the classrooms, either before or after the tea break.

As part of the day we are hoping to make a map of the world to show where all the pupils' grandparents live. So, even if grandparents live too far away to come, please complete that part of the attached form so that we have that information for our map.

If there are any grandparents who would like a more active part in the day and are willing to talk to pupils about their school days, they would be most welcome – so please let us know in advance.

Please let the school know who is coming by completing the attached form so that we can make the appropriate arrangements. **Please complete the form and return to the school office by Friday 7 May 2010**. Thank you in advance for your support for this event.

Sincerely yours

Carol Snow, Chair

Pencaitland Primary School Parent Council

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## **GRANDPARENTS' DAY RESPONSE FORM**

**Names of pupils and class:**

**Can your grandparents attend? YES NO**

**If not, will a substitute grandparent attend? YES NO**

**Names of grandparent(s) or if not, then substitute where applicable:**

**Where do your grandparents live?**

**Would your grandparents be willing to share any of their school experiences with the school?**

**YES NO**

**If so, is there any particular aspect they would like to talk about? e.g. What school discipline, dress or classes were like when they were at school.**

**If so, would they like to do so at the school assembly or in their grandchild's classroom?**

**Are there any special requirements?**

**Would your grandparents be willing to help out with other school activities and events? If so, please include contact details.**

**PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN TO SCHOOL OFFICE BY FRIDAY 7 MAY 2010.**