



ABOYNE LODGE

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WEEKLY BULLETIN

Friday 3rd February '23



MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week we saw many of our teachers take strike action for the first time in many years. There are further dates to look out for that have been set by the NEU for further walk outs. The teachers taking action set out their reasons in a letter to parents this week, and from my discussions with them, it was a decision that was not taken lightly. I will keep you informed about any potential class closures or changes to events as we get nearer to the second strike date on Weds 1st March.

As a point of information, we now have CCTV cameras around the school. These were installed by the building team during the refurbishment, but have only recently been in operation. They are in place purely for security reasons and overlook areas outside of the building as well as the entrance. They are not in areas that the children regularly inhabit and are not in place to observe pupils. All images are deleted within 30 days. We will put a few signs up around school to make people aware that the cameras are there.

This week we received some new books which were ordered on the back of the travelling book fair. Every class has ordered a number of books to go with the recent purchases of quality books promoting greater representation.

We had two matches this week involving both the girls and boys football teams. The boys played on Tuesday beating St Michaels 7—2 with the girls coming out 5—1 winners against Abbey. Congratulations to both teams who continue to have brilliant seasons so far. We all wish the Boys A team good luck in the Samuel Ryder tournament this evening.

On Tuesday the KS1 children took part in a SETPOINT STEM workshop where they had the opportunity to investigate the properties of materials. It looked like it was great fun and the children learned a lot.

Have a lovely weekend.

Warmest wishes,

Mr Smithard

LEARNING POWER CERTIFICATES
(awarded for reciprocity, resilience, resourcefulness and reflectiveness)

Jsla (Y6) Hazel (Y5) Max (Y4)
Florence (Y3) Henry (Y2) Pippa (Y1)

HOT CHOCOLATE FRIDAY—
congratulations to these children
who have gone 'over and above' this
week

Charlotte (Y6) Idy (Y5) George (Y4)
Wilf (Y3) Lottie (Y2) Thea (Y1)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon 6th—Fri 10th Feel Good Week

Mon 6th Feb—Full Governing Body meeting

Mon 6th Feb—Y5 Retune Workshop

Tues 7th Feb—Online Safety Day

Tues 7th Feb—Boys A Team vs Sandridge (H)

Wed 8th Feb—Netball vs Gardenfields (A)

Fri 10th Feb—ALSA Break the rules day

Mon 13th—Fri 17th HALF TERM

Amazing Women in Black History

by Sandra A Agard

Recommended by Lottie Y1



“In this book you will meet 15 pioneering women who have done incredible things or are doing amazing things to-

ALSA DATES

EVENTS FOR ADULTS

Fri 3rd March - ALSA QUIZ NIGHT

EVENTS FOR CHILDREN

Friday 10th February- Break the Rules day

Friday 17th March - Mother's Day Gift Amnesty

Friday 31st March - Easter Egg Hunt

AFTER SCHOOL SALES (cakes etc):

Friday 3rd March (Year 3)

Friday 28th April (Year 2)

Friday 9th June (Year 1)

Friday 30th June (Year R)

ALSA NOTICES

ALSA QUIZ NIGHT - Friday 3 March, from 7.30pm (quiz starts 8pm sharp) in school hall.

Tickets are on sale now (Gateway) at the bargain price of £8 per person! It's guaranteed to be a great night out with lots of laughs so put a team together and come along for our first real-life quiz in over 3 years!!

Quiz teams should have a maximum of 8 players. If you know the names of your teammates already, please put them in the text box when purchasing tickets. If not, don't worry, you can tell us nearer the time via your year rep. NB ALSA will be running a bar but we will not be providing food so please feel free to bring your own snacks and nibbles (but no nuts please!). As usual, the bar will accept card but please bring along some cash for raffle tickets and to play Heads & Tails.

BREAK THE RULES - NEXT FRIDAY (10 FEB)

The children are again invited to break (some of!) the rules next Friday. A reminder of the rules to break: only healthy snacks, only smart shoes, only school uniform, no odd socks, no crazy or coloured hair, no temporary tattoos, no nail varnish and no squash in water bottles. Suggested donation of 50p per broken rule (to be paid via Gateway). NB No nuts to be brought to school and clothes still need to be practical for PE.

ALSA SUMMER BALL/PARTY - SAVE THE DATE - FRIDAY 7 JULY

We are already busy starting to organise this fantastic night for the Aboyne adults. Details to follow but please pop the date in your diary now! We are also looking for volunteers to help run this amazing event! If you are interested in getting involved, please let your year rep know.

MOTHER'S DAY GIFT AMNESTY

Just a reminder to KEEP those unwanted items or gifts to hand so we can collect them after half term! We are looking for small items suitable for the children to give as Mother's Day Gifts. Examples include candles, moisturisers, shower gels etc. Children will select a gift for their mum/carer/special someone on 17 March but more details on that after half term. Thank you!

