


<p>Turriff Primary School Newsletter</p> <p>August 2024</p>		<p>School Office 01888 530855</p> <p>turriff.sch@aberdeenshire.gov.uk</p> <p>Absence text number 07860 029109</p> <p>https://turriff-pri.aberdeenshire.sch.uk/</p> <p>We are on Facebook, X and Instagram @turriffprimary</p>
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Welcome!

Welcome to a new school year and a warm welcome to all our new parents and carers who have joined us this term. I hope that you have all had an enjoyable summer and your children have enjoyed their first week in their new classes. It has been a busy start to the term and the year is looking fun filled with open mornings, afternoons and evenings, cafes, assemblies, and reasons to celebrate. At the end of this HT Update you will find a copy of the school term dates, local holidays and inservice days for this academic year. Further details and dates for all reports, parent's evenings and events will follow.

Meet the staffing team for 24/25

We are delighted to welcome back Leanne Winton to the school, Miss Winton is the P5A class teacher with Miss Strachan and welcome back to Sarah Chalmers our new full time admin assistant. Welcome to new members of staff, Jenna Phillips who is a new full time PSA, Wendy McCann who is teaching in Enhanced Provision. Heather McPike has now left the school after a year long secondment as acting HT to Udney Green School, she has now moved on to a new school as permanent DHT, we wish Mrs McPike well in her new role and a big thank you for all she has done at Markethill and TPS, she will be missed. Congratulations to PSA Claire Massie who got married over the summer, she returns as Mrs Charleston and in to her new post of Early Years Practitioner based in our P1/2 zone.

There is a full staffing list for your information at the end of this newsletter.

Rainbow Run

The school staff are organising a Rainbow Run here at the school on Friday 27th September from 4pm – 7pm. This is a fundraiser to raise money for the school. We would love to keep current subscriptions we have to educational resources going and to also renew resources in the school, for example the laptop and ipad charging trolleys. It all costs money hence the need to fundraise. If your child would like to run the Rainbow Run course at the school please sign them up using this link [The Turriff Primary School Rainbow Run - EntryCentral](#) More information can be found in the email sent earlier today.

Mobile phones and smart watches

A reminder of our mobile phone policy is attached. No phones should be in bags, they should be in the office. Smart watches should not be active for communication/ internet whilst in school.

Class Curricular Newsletter

At the end of next week please click [here](#) to access your child's class curricular newsletter for term one. Please do take the time to read it so you are aware of the learning planned. (A reminder with link will be sent when the newsletters are live.)

Uniform

The pupils look so smart in their school uniform, a big thank you for ensuring they are in school colours every day. PLEASE NAME EVERYTHING! Please ensure your child has a PE kit in a bag to change in to. Some crocs, sliders and sandals have been worn this week, the pupils are very active at break and lunch but also participate in the daily mile each day and teachers often take the learning outside, please ensure footwear is either shoes, boots or trainers for their safety at school.

A reminder that we keep a huge amount of preloved uniform in the school including navy jumpers and cardigans, trousers, skirts and pinafores and polo shirts. The rail and boxes are sitting at the front of the school next to the office, please take what you need so you are stocked up – no charge.

If you would like to order new embroidered school logo uniform, please visit our website [here](#) for more information on stockists and suppliers. You can only order online but at any time.

School Meals

Pupils are welcome to take in a packed lunch from home (please no fizzy juice) or have a school meal. There is no charge for pupils in P1-P5. A school meal costs £2.65 for pupils in P6 and P7. I would encourage any families in receipt on any allowances and or credits to click [here](#) to apply for free school meals regardless what year group your child is in because if you qualify for free school meals you will receive payments over each holiday period when the children are not eating in school. You will automatically be awarded a school clothing grant also. A reminder that all packed lunch rubbish goes home.

School car park

The bus lane is for taxi and bus pickups and drop offs only. The car park attached is for staff. Please do not enter this area and use the main car park and drop off point also. Please reverse park in the main car park and use the drop off point for just that, do not park and leave your car in this area. If everyone uses this area properly the car park will be less congested. Thank you for your help in this matter and please share these messages with anyone that picks up/ drops off your child.

Electric Scooters and Bikes

No electric scooters and bikes should be used in school grounds, please refrain from taking these to get to and from school.

Parent Council

The next Parent Council meeting is the AGM on Monday 2nd September at 6pm. Please do come along to the Community Room at the school then to join in and find out more about the work of the Parent Council. Part of the Parent Council's work is fundraising, their fundraising efforts has recently help pay for all classes to have a school excursion, pay for the prizegiving trophies to be engraved, Friendly Friday resources and they paid for the 6 playground markings in their entirety, their most recent fundraiser was the creation and sale of the 2024 TPS calendar and a summer disco. The committee also help me as a Head Teacher review school improvement planning and policy. Please do come along and get involved. To find out more about the TPS parent council click [here](#)

FOCUS ON...

Every month we will focus on an aspect of school life to share with Parents and Carers

House Points

Every pupil in P1-P7 belongs to one of the school's 4 houses, Craigston (blue), Delgaty (green), Forglan (red) and Hatton (yellow). The pupils can earn house points when they show the values of Happy, Respecting and Achieving or one of our Super Seven Learning Powers during the school day. The points are physically given by staff to pupils in the shape of circular purple tokens worth one point or a gold star token worth 5 points. Points can also be accumulated on a tally chart displayed in every classroom. The points are counted every 6-8 weeks and the house with the most tokens win the House Treat. The House Treat means a non-uniform day and a fun afternoon. House Treats, we have enjoyed in the past include a visit from a magician, movie afternoon, games, an ice cream from the ice cream van, a disco and a crafting workshop. The next House Treat is Tuesday 8th October, parents and pupils will be informed of the winning house at the start of that week. P1 families – houses will be shared ASAP!

Kind regards



Mrs Fiona Eaton

Head Teacher

24/25 DATES FOR THE DIARY

Term 1

19th August 2024 - in-service day

20th August 2024 - start of term 1

11th October 2024 - end of term 1

14th to 25th October 2024 - October holiday

Term 2

28th October 2024 - start of term 2

14th November 2024 & 15th November 2024 - In-Service

20th December 2024 - end of term 2

23rd December 2024 to 3rd January 2025 - Christmas holiday

Term 3

6th January 2025 - start of term 3

7th February 2025 – local holiday

10th February 2025 - mid term Aberdeenshire holiday

11th February 2025 & 12th February 2025 - In-Service

28th March 2024 - end of term 3

31st March to 11th April 2025 - Easter holiday

Term 4

14th April 2025 - start of term 4

18th April 2025 – Good Friday

5th May 2025 - May Day holiday

2nd June 2025 – Local holiday

4th July 2025 - end of term 4

7th July to 15th August 2025 - summer holiday

TURRIFF PRIMARY SCHOOL 2024/25 STAFFING	
Senior Leadership Team	
Mrs Fiona Eaton	HT
Mrs Gemma Addison	DHT
Miss Alex Harris	DHT
Class Teachers 2024/25	
CLASS	
Mrs Rachael Scullion M-W/ Mrs Sam Watson ThF	P1A
Miss Louise Marr	P1B
Miss Erin Strachan M/ Mrs Kirsty Neish T-F	P1/2
Mrs Hannah Forbes M-W/ Mrs Jacqui Crighton ThF	P2A
Mrs Jacq Masson M-W/ Mrs Jan Smart ThF	P2/3
Mrs Meryl Plevey	P3A
Miss Ellen McLean	P3/4
Mr Mathew Crockett	P4A
Mrs Fiona Wallis	P4/5
Miss Leanne Winton M, W-F/ Mrs Erin Strachan T	P5A
Mr Angus Swan	P5B
Mr Oliver Pritchard	P6A
Mrs Lucy Baldwin	P6B
Mrs Ashi Arif Hall	P7A
Miss Dee Jones	P7B
Non-Class Contact Time Teachers	
Miss Claire Smith	
Mrs Jacqui Crighton	
Miss Lisa Bowie	
Mrs Jan Smart	
Mrs Gemma Addison	
PUPIL SUPPORT SCHOOL	
Miss Claire Massie	EYP
Mrs Kirstin Gauld	PSW
Mrs Rachael Scullion	ASL
PUPIL SUPPORT ASSISTANTS	
Mrs Janette Cooper	PSA
Mrs Sheila Chalmers	PSA
Mrs Christine Williams	PSA
Mrs Barbara Raeburn	PSA
Mrs Kristina Watts	PSA
Mrs Sam Gordon	PSA
Mrs Susie Garven	PSA

Mrs Eileen Milne	PSA
Mrs Jakki Robertson	PSA
Mrs Alison Gordon	PSA
Mrs Lorraine Stephen	PSA
Mrs Yvonne Henderson	PSA
Mrs Tracey Brebner	PSA
Mrs Ann Ali	PSA
Miss Jenna Phillips	PSA
Mrs Sandie Ogg	PSA
ADDITIONAL SUPPORT FOR LEARNING TEACHERS	
Mr Maciej Lenicki	
Mrs Katherine Sim	
Mrs Elizabeth Webster	
Mrs Steph Newbould	
Mrs Louise Galloway	
Mrs Wendy McCann	
OFFICE STAFF	
Mrs Nicola Barclay	
Mrs Sarah Chalmers	
JANITORIAL STAFF	
Mr Derek Mackie	