



Tealing Primary School



April/May Newsletter 2019

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Dear Parents/Carers,

It is with great pleasure that I welcome our children and their families back to school after the Spring Holidays. I hope you all enjoyed a restful, fun-filled break together.

The Summer Term is set to be one filled with activities, exciting learning opportunities and transitions to and from the primary classes. This will be a very busy time for our young people.

Alice the Musical

The Autumn Term was incredibly busy, with a change of head teacher and the arrival of the inspectors in our school, which meant that the children did not get to perform a musical at Christmas as they had wanted. Between us, we agreed that they would have the opportunity to learn and perform something this term instead.

'Alice the Musical' has now been cast and we are rehearsing this as a school. The children have asked to perform their musical prior to the P7 Dalguise Trip which has added a bit of time pressure. We are hopeful that we will be able to put this show together in the time we have and I would appreciate your support and understanding should there be the odd forgotten line (or miscued song) during the performance.

I am sure that the show will be a fantastic success and the children, as ever, will delight you all with their incredible commitment and talent. More information will follow in due course.

Sincerely,

Michael Smith
Head Teacher



Classroom News

All classes will be exploring music and drama this term through their school musical.

We are arranging class trips for children and will confirm details once we have them.

This term, every class has a student teacher working with them. For your information they are:

P1-3: Mrs Alison Strachan

P4-6: Mrs Danielle Addison

P7: Mrs Laura Robertson

Nursery

We are glad to welcome three new children to our nursery setting who started with us this term. The nursery staff have been working with children to reflect on the wonderful learning activities and experiences they enjoy and I am sure you have seen the benefits of seeing these observations on ClassDojo. Your comments and any pictures of the children out of school help to build a picture of your child's development and we welcome these.

Whilst the nursery children will not be taking part in the musical performance this year, due to the short time period and new starts, they will be welcome to watch the performance. The nursery children will instead put on a wee show of their own towards the end of term for their families.

Transitions

Transitions are an important part of a young person's journey through school and we aim to make these as seamless as possible. To that end we have arranged for our pre-school children to begin



transitions into P1 with them, in small groups, going in to the P1-3 class once per week for a story together with the P1-3 pupils. This will commence in the week beginning Monday 29th April. Transition activities will increase throughout this term to provide children with ample opportunities to work with school pupils and class teachers in our school.

Primary 7 pupils will participate in transition days this term too. All details will be shared accordingly.

Clubs and Activities for Wider Achievement

The P7 pupils were delighted to receive Bronze Accreditation from The Royal Scottish Country Dance Society on the first day back. This is in recognition of their effort and participation in Scottish Country Dancing. Well done!

The choir still runs each Friday during lunch. Please encourage your child to participate – it is open to all.



Dates for your diary

Wednesday 1st May

P7 Courier Photographs in school 13:30

Monday 6th May

May Day Holiday – school closed

Tuesday 14th May

'Mission Possible' for P6/7 pupils

Saturday 18th May

Entertainment evening at Tealing Hall

Tickets cost £5 each available in school – proceeds go to the school

Thursday 23rd May

Sports Day (weather permitting) and Community Café

More information to follow

Monday 27th May

In-service day

School closed to children

Thursday 30th May

Evening Performance of 'Alice the Musical'

More information to follow

Friday 31st May

Afternoon Performance of 'Alice the Musical'

More information to follow

Tuesday 4th – Thursday 6th June

Forfar Academy P7 Pupils to attend induction days

P7 pupils attending alternative secondary schools to come into school as normal



Thursday 6th June

Move-up morning in school (am)

Pre-school nursery children will move-up into their P1 class – parents welcome to join them for lunch (more information to follow)

Sunday 9th – Wednesday 12th June

P7 pupils at Dalguise

Arrangements, including what to provide, will follow

Thursday 20th June

Forfar Cluster Transition Event

P7 pupils and their families are invited to attend Forfar Cricket Club for a transition event with other schools in the cluster

More information to follow

Wednesday 26th June

Prize-giving ceremony

More information to follow

Thursday 27th June

P7 Leavers Community Café 2pm

Friday 28th June

Last Day of Term – school finishes at 3pm



Parent Council Matters

The Parent Council AGM is on Tuesday 30th April, in school at 6pm.