Dear Parents/Carers

I hope this finds you all well!

School was all too quiet this morning with our Primary 7 pupils up at Portlethen Academy as part of the ongoing transition arrangements they experience during their Primary 7 year! At this time of year especially, I feel my ‘mother hen’ mode is turned up high!

As part of our ongoing **Reporting to Parents,** for pupils in P3 to P7, **Learning Celebration Books** will have been sent home over the course of this week.  We all very much value your comments in these.  Parents of pupils in Miss Blacklaw’s Primary 4 class will have enjoyed accessing the class assembly on Google Classroom this week, also a key part of Reporting to Parents and sharing learning!  As with all our class assemblies this session, you will see pupils giving a flavour of their rich learning experiences, in addition to the skills they have developed and their growing confidence.  We have some journalists, tv presenters and actors in the making for sure at Fishermoss!

**Portlethen Youth Club Registration Evening-7th June 7-9pm**

Great news as things are moving forward with Portlethen Youth Club!  The Porty Cabin is holding their registration evening on the 7th of June 7-9pm.  This is a chance to come along meet the team, register for attending youth club and find out all about the project.  Attached you will find a graphic/picture with the details of the event. They are inviting everyone aged 10 and above to come along and be part of building something for young people, built by young people.  Porty Cabin is located on Cookston Road next to the Jubilee Hall.  This is a great opportunity for our young people!

**Aberdeenshire Council Instrumental Music Service tuition opportunity P5-P7 pupils.**

Is your child interested in learning a music instrument?  A place may be available for your child to learn ­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­a woodwind or brass instrument.  As teaching resources are limited, places will be allocated subject to availability.  If they don't have a place to offer, they will add you to their waiting list. Places are currently available at Fishermoss.  For Terms and Conditions, tuition fees and registration, please visit their website: <https://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/schools/music-lessons/music-tuition>

If you wish your child to be considered, please register online.

**ASN Review……Parent/Carer Survey**

Aberdeenshire Council is undertaking a strategic review of Additional Support Needs.  They would like to hear parent and carer views on how well Aberdeenshire schools meet children and young people’s additional support needs, and what could be improved. They would like to hear from parents and carers who have children with additional support needs, as well as those who do not. We would be grateful if you could complete the brief survey, which should take no more than 10 minutes of your time. A link to the survey was included in a separate letter emailed earlier this week.  The survey will close at midday on Monday 13th June. Your support is greatly appreciated.

**As always……**the big message from our Health Protection colleagues is…**if your child is unwell, please keep them at home** until they are back in good health. Please do not send unwell children to school to see how they cope.  Do keep them at home until you are sure they are fit and well. Please continue to err on the side of caution. We continue to see cases of **chickenpox** at school, currently in **P1-P3 classes & P6/7**.

For **vomiting and/or diarrhoea**, pupils should remain at home **for at least 48 hours after symptoms have passed.**

Finally, please find attached advance notice of some fun family activities running in the theatre and museum at **Aden Country Park**, Mintlaw over the summer holidays……sharing now as booking required!

A wee reminder that we will be closed Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd June for the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee!  Dig out the bunting!

Wishing you all a lovely weekend!

Take care.

Kindest regards

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