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Happy New Year everyone. We hope it is truly happy, peaceful and blessed. All staff renew our commitment to support all our children to be successful learners, effective contributors, confident individuals and responsible citizens. Many thanks for all your support. Thank you for your very generous cards, gifts and good wishes for the holidays. Thanks also for your very generous support of our Christmas events. Collections at the performances of the Nativity and the pantomime raised £172.78 which was split equally between two local children's charities - Kayleigh's Wee Stars and Charlie House.

Bishop Hugh echoes Padre Pio and urges us to 'pray, hope and don't worry' as we get our ordinary daily lives and work into decent moral shape. Father Colin told teachers to 'come as we are', like the shepherds who were the first visitors to the baby Jesus in Bethlehem. We thank God for all the staff who work tirelessly to plan and deliver exciting learning opportunities for our children. We thank all our pupils and their families who share our aims in St Peter's:

1. **We are here to learn.**
2. **We treat each other with kindness, respect and tolerance.**
3. **We work together to solve our problems.**



We do not use bad words. We use our hands and fingers kindly.

What does your child need for school?

- Positive attitude
- School uniform
- Reading folder with homework and reading book in it.
- Gym kit
- Indoor shoes
- Waterproof jacket

Please remember to put your child's name on jackets, sweatshirts, cardigans, indoor shoes, bags and lunchboxes. Lost and found property is kept beside the front door.



Enrolment to start Primary One in August 2019 starts today. All children who will reach the age of five before the last day of February 2020 may be enrolled. This year, Aberdeen City Council are introducing online applications. The application form is available at <https://www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/services/education-and-childcare/starting-primary-1> There is a link from our school webpage.

The catchment zones for each Catholic primary school are very big. When you put in your address to apply for a school place, your default Zoned School will not be a Catholic school, so you **need to select the option to apply for a different school.** Parents have to be able to establish their child's eligibility by producing the child's Roman Catholic Baptism Certificate. If a child does not have a Roman Catholic Baptism Certificate, parents may still apply for any Catholic school by submitting a placing request.

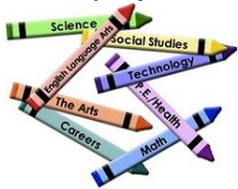
Please come to the office for advice about the process.

This week

Monday 7 th January	Mrs Jadid is teaching P3. Ms Carrion is teaching P2 Blue with Mrs Kelman. Sister Wiesia, volunteer, also assists in P2 Blue today. Student teachers return – Mr Tierney to P5/6 and Miss Campbell to P4. Music lessons with Mr Dawson – P2B, P2R, P3, P4, P5, P5/6, P6 and P7. GLEE Club resumes for P5 – P7 during school time. PE lessons with Mrs Armstrong – P1B, P1R, P2B, P2R, P3, P4, P5/6. Mandarin lessons with Peggy, volunteer teacher from the Confucius Institute – P1, P3/4, P4
Tuesday 8 th January	Mrs Jadid and Mrs Bain teach P6 today. Mrs Croxon teaches P3. Ms Carrion teaches P2 Blue with Mrs Kelman. Coaches from Russell Anderson Development School run skills sessions in the gym for P1B, P1R, P2B, P2R and P4. Mandarin lessons with Peggy, volunteer teacher from the Confucius Institute – P5 and P5/6. <i>RADS After-School Football sessions resume at St Machar Academy</i>
Wednesday 9 th January	Mrs Croxon teaches P3. Ms Carrion teaches P2 Blue with Mrs Kelman. Volunteers in school – Sister Wiesia in P2 Blue and Mrs Hay in P3/4. PE lessons with Mrs Armstrong – P3/4, P5, P5/6, P6 and P7.
Thursday 10 th January	Mrs Jadid is teaching P3. Mrs Duncan is teaching P2 Blue. No drama lessons today. Mrs Hutton returns next Thursday. Fraulein Annabel, volunteer teacher, teaches German to P6 and P7.
Friday 11 th January	Mrs Jadid is teaching P3. Choir resumes with Mr Horton. Achievement Assembly. Pupil Voice Groups.
Please note that After-School sports activities resume in school week beginning 14th January.	

*Children will resume their literacy, numeracy, health and wellbeing, RE and inter-disciplinary learning with their class teachers. Our specialist teachers will deliver the Expressive Arts and PE curriculum, linking in to the class projects. During January, all classes reflect on Scottish culture and heritage and prepare songs, poems and dances to present at our Burns Assembly. The Assembly will be on **Wednesday 23rd January at 9.15am** and parents are welcome to attend.*

Class projects this term are



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| P1 Now and then, learning how Old Aberdeen has changed over time. | P3 and P3/4 Homes through the ages. |
| P2 Transport through the ages. | P5 Castles P5/6 Mary, Queen of Scots |
| P4 Vikings | P7 Fishing |
| P6 Highland Clearances | |

Well done to our P7 for organising a 20p sale with all the things that were left from our Christmas Fair. We raised a total of £43.51 for the P7 trip to Tomintoul in May 2019. Thank you for all the help and support you gave us by donating money so our P7 can have a wonderful time. Thank you again. Julia S

Dates for your diary

Tues 15th January	P1 and P7 Dental Inspections 6pm Parent Council meeting. All welcome.
Wed 23rd January	9.15am Parents are invited to watch pupils' Scottish dancing and hear their poems and songs.
Thurs 24th January	P7 trip to Aberdeen Science Centre
Mon 11th February	Mid-term holiday
Tues 12th & Wed 13th February In-Service Training for staff. Children do not attend school.	
Thursday 21 st March	9.30am P3 Sacrament of Reconciliation at St Peter's RC Church, Castlegate.
Mon 1st April – Fri 12th April	Easter Holiday We are in school during Holy Week and have one day's holiday on Good Friday (19th April 2019)
Sat 8 th June	11am Confirmation Mass for P7 at St Columba's RC Church, Bridge of Don
Sat 22 nd June	First Holy Communions at St Columba's RC Church, Bridge of Don