

# **Barthol Chapel School**

## Bulletin 1 – 16th January 2023



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#### **Welcome to Term 3**

As we begin the second week of term pupils have settled back into their routines and are working extremely hard. Last term was a very busy one with our show 'You are Special' which was a great success. It was fantastic for the pupils to be able to perform in front of an actual audience after such a long time. I would like to thank the Parent Council for all their hard work especially in organizing and providing the Santa presents, food for the Christmas parties and the refreshments after the show.

A warm Barthol welcome our new pupil Ashleigh in P4. We are delighted to have you join us at Barthol Chapel.

We said our goodbyes to Mr. Anderson who has been such an integral part of Barthol Chapel. We will all miss him very much and wish him every success at his new school.

Mr. Morris has now left us as he has taken another role within the authority however I am delighted to tell you that Mrs. Jill Moir will now be taking the infants on a Thursday and Friday with Mrs. Christine Henderson continuing to cover Non class contact time on a Wednesday.

I would like to take this opportunity to say it is a privilege to be taking on the role of Acting Head Teacher and I will endeavor to continue the running of Barthol Chapel with the high standards and dedication we are all accustomed to, until matters are resolved for the long term.

#### **Burns Celebrations**

The children will be working hard over the next few weeks preparing for our Burns Celebrations to be held during the coffee afternoon on Friday  $27^{th}$  January (2:30pm – 3:30pm). Some of the children will recite their poems, dance etc.

Children are welcome to wear anything tartan on the day. We hope you are able to come along to the coffee afternoon.

#### **Primary 7 Transition**

The enrolment process at Meldrum Academy has begun for entry to S1 in August and P7 pupils have been given a yellow enrolment form home with them today. Please can these be completed and returned to the school office at Barthol Primary by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January.

An information evening for parents/carers of Primary 7 pupils has been set for Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January, 6pm at Meldrum Academy.



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#### **Primary 1 Admissions**

A reminder that Primary one admissions are this week Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January. All children who reach their fifth birthday by 29th February 2024 are invited to register for Primary 1 for admission in August 2023.

To register for a primary school place, for a school within your catchment area, please complete the online application which can be found at: https://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/applyForSchoolPlace.

#### **Reporting Procedures**

We plan to hold an open afternoon on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March. There will be the opportunity for you to visit the classrooms between 2pm and 3pm.

Pupil Progress Reports (Report Cards) will be issued on 27th March 2023.

Parents Interviews will be arranged for Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April. Letters to confirm appointment times will be issued nearer the time.

#### **Health Issues**

At this time of year there can be an increase in the number of influenza cases. The symptoms can include; high temperature, sore throat, cough, runny nose, headache, limb and joint pain, diarrhoea and/or vomiting.

If your child has diarrhoea and/or vomiting, they must remain at home until 48 hours after the symptoms have settled to ensure the infection does not spread to others.

I would also like to remind you that if your child requires medicine to be administered during the school day, a form needs to be completed and signed. Aberdeenshire Council Policy states that the school will not administer medication unless a Request for School to Administer Medication form has been completed and the Head Teacher has agreed that school staff can administer the medication.

#### Worried about Money (Aberdeenshire)

'Worrying About Money?' cash first referral leaflets are co-designed as straightforward resources for people facing money worries. The step-by-step guides identify which local agencies are best placed to help people maximise income and access any existing financial entitlement. The attached leaflet details further support which may be available to families in Aberdeenshire.

https://www.worryingaboutmoney.co.uk/aberdeenshire



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#### A Note from Mr. Anderson



Dear Barthol Chapel Panents

Firstly, thank you for the lovely send off and your generosity during my final days at Barthol Chapel School.

You made the job of Head Teacher an amazing experience for me. It was an absolute privlege to spend 6 happy years with you all

Wishing everyone the best of luck in the future

Adrian

### **Term Dates**

Term 3 Start: Monday 9th January 2023

**Burns Poetry Afternoon:** Friday 27th January

Occasional Day Holiday: Friday 10th February (School Closed) Mid-Term Holiday: Monday 13th February (School Closed) Tuesday 14th February (School Closed) In Service Day: In Service Day: Wednesday 15th February (School Closed)

Term 3 Ends: Friday 31st March **Term 4 Starts:** Monday 17th April **May Day Holiday:** Monday 1st May

**Sports Day:** Friday 19th May @ 2pm

**Occasional Day Holiday:** Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June (School Closed) Occasional Day Holiday: Monday 5th June (School Closed) **School Disco:** Friday 16th June 6:30pm – 8:30pm

**Primary 7 Transition Days:** Tuesday 20th June - Thursday 22ne June

Last Day of Term 4: Friday 7th July