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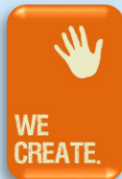
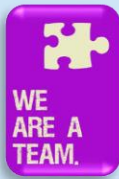
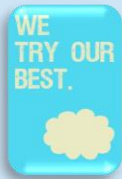
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Normal Service Resumes

We are delighted to welcome the pupils back to school. They have been sharing their stories of the storm and all the things they experienced. A few mentioned that they hoped for another day off school!

I appreciate the decision to close the school was challenging for people after so much disruption over the past 18 months. I would stress that a blanket closure of all Aberdeenshire Schools is never a decision taken lightly.

Thank you once again for your understanding and patience.



Storm Arwen - Updates for families eligible for Free School Meals

Following the closure of schools because of Storm Arwen, I can confirm that all pupils currently entitled to statutory free school meals have been issued with a payment of £5.00 for the period 29 November 2021 to 30 November 2021. The payment is comprised by two days free school meals at £2.50 per day.

Eligible families already in receipt of free school meals, do not have to apply for this funding. Payment will be made direct to your nominated bank account by 2 December 2021.

Direct payment of Free School Meals for December 2021 holidays

All pupils currently entitled to statutory free school meals, will receive a payment of £25.00 for the period 22nd December 2021 to 4th January 2022. The payment is comprised by two weeks free school meals at £12.50 per week.



Scottish Child Bridging Payment – December 2021

All pupils currently entitled to statutory free school meals, will receive a **Scottish Child Bridging Payment** of £160.00.

Families who are on a low income but not currently in receipt of free school meals can check entitlement by completing the following online form:

[Check entitlement and apply for free school meals](#)

Expansion of Free School Meals to Primary 5 pupils

With effect from January 2022 universal free school meals will be expanded from Primary 1 to Primary 4 to include pupils in Primary 5.





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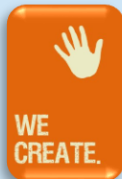
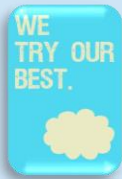
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DVD Cases

To help us package the recording of the school show, can you please donate any spare DVD Cases you may have to the school.

Parent Council Christmas Draw

A reminder that donations for the Christmas Hamper can be handed into school. If you require more raffle tickets, please email the school and we will send more home.



Message from Active Schools Run4Fun

On the back of our successful Run4Fun 2021 Virtual Run series, Active Schools are running a Christmas themed virtual Fun Run event throughout the month of December! The goal? Completing the entire distance from Aberdeen to the North Pole! (6149km)

Your task? Complete as many runs throughout the month of December and record them on our tracker! Every Km counts so complete as many runs as you can to receive your medal! These runs can be completed in and around your local area, in your own time and the best thing is - you choose your own route! The distances we recommend are similar to our Run4Fun Cross country series.

- P1-P3 – 800m
- P4-P5 – 1km
- P6-P7 – 2km

To sign up for this event, click the link <https://bit.ly/Runuptoxmas>. The payment link will be emailed out to you after registration (this may take up to 48 hrs). Entry costs £2 per person, which guarantees a Christmas themed medal on return of the run tracker (emailed out to everyone once you have registered). For any enquires contact activeschools@aberdeenshire.gov.uk

Future Dates

Christmas Lunch – Wednesday 15th December
 School Show Filming – Wednesday 15th December
 Parent Council Raffle Draw – Wednesday 15th December
 Christmas Party – Friday 17th December
 Last Day of Term – Tuesday 21st December
 Start of Term 3 – Wednesday 5th January

