

Tarves Primary School Newsletter



Thursday 26th August 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

A word from Mrs Conn

Welcome back to Tarves Primary School and Nursery! I hope you all managed to have a bit of down-time during the holiday. It is wonderful to see all the children in school, we have our 'buzz' back! Thank you for your continued support with the Covid-19 regulations still in place. I will keep you up-to-date with any changes as they occur. We are hoping that this year will look more 'normal' in terms of the academic calendar of events. Attached is an Active Schools information leaflet with clubs and activities in the local area, should you wish with your child to take part.

An extra-special welcome to our new Nursery and Primary 1 boys and girls who are settling into routine. Well done! Primary 1 transition has been ongoing for the last couple of weeks, in the mornings, with both group A and B staying for lunch this week, too. How exciting! A quick reminder that Dinner Menus can be accessed here: [Primary Menus \(aberdeenshire.gov.uk\)](https://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/primary-schools/primary-1-dinner-menus) and we **must** be made aware of any pupil dietary requirements in order to inform our kitchen staff.

All Primary 1 pupils will be full-time in school from Monday 30th August.

I am thrilled to start the first newsletter of the year with such a positive. Hot off the press; Miss McBeath has successfully completed and passed her Forest School practical assessment! This is amazing news and we are all very proud of her hard work and achievements. This means that all pupils will be accessing Forest School lessons this year on a regular basis. More information will follow when your son/daughter's class is scheduled to take part. We are also looking for parent/carer/grandparent volunteers to help at our Forest School sessions. If you are interested, please get in touch with Miss McBeath directly via email on jackie.mcbeath@aberdeenshire.gov.uk.

We are very much looking forward to the busy term ahead. Watch this space for further updates! Remember, you can find lots of information on our website, [Tarves Primary School and Nursery | Tarves School Aberdeenshire](https://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/primary-schools/tarves-primary-school-and-nursery), or by following us on Twitter using @TarvesSchool.

Primary 1 Birth Certificate Check

Please can all Primary 1 parents/carers bring in their child's birth certificate to Mrs Dobby in the main Office by 3.20pm on **Monday 30th August**. We must check this information ASAP.

New Pupils

Welcome to our new pupils; Kayci who joins Primary 2, Rachel in Primary 5 and Damien in Primary 7!

Welcome

Permissions/Data Check

As per the GroupCall dated Monday 23rd August, ALL Primary 1 to Primary 7 parents/carers are required to reply regarding permissions for your son/daughter by **Monday 30th August**. Please note that if you do not respond with your preferred options, **we will presume that you are granting permission for everything both in and out of school.**

If you have not received this GroupCall, please check your spam/junk mail folder or contact Mrs Dobby in the Office who can help. **Please also return the annual Data Check forms by Friday 3rd September 2021.**

Lots of paperwork! Many thanks for your help with this.

Class Topics

Our class topic studies this term will be:

Primary 1/2 – *Sea and Seashore*

Primary 2 – *Sea and Seashore*

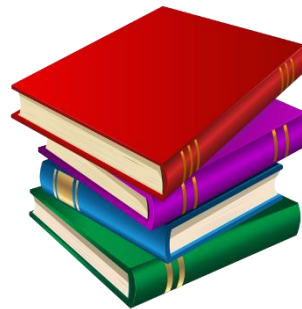
Primary 3 – *The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch*

Primary 4 – *Space*

Primary 5 – *Around the World*

Primary 5/6 – *1960's*

Primary 7 – *World War 2*



Parent Portal

Mrs Dobby has sent information to you regarding the use of Parent Portal. This is the new, online system for parents/carers to access information about their child, update records and personal details, view the school calendar, dinner menu etc. I would strongly encourage you to use and familiarise yourself with this system as we will eventually be moving everything over and hope to complete the Data Check this way next academic year. If you have any queries, please give us a call.

Library and Reading Books

Your son/daughter will start to bring home library and reading books in the coming weeks. Please try to read with your child as much as possible at home.

Please also be aware that any lost Library books will be charged and you will receive a slip with the cost to be paid to school. Thank you!

Nasal Flu Spray Reminder

Tuesday 16th November is the date scheduled for the Nasal Flu vaccine to be administered to all **Primary 1 – Primary 7 pupils** at Tarves via our School Nurse, Leo Walker. Any queries should be discussed directly with Leo who can be contacted on leonora.walker@nhs.scot. There is information on the School Nurse Facebook page called *Aberdeenshire School Nurses* and Leo will post school health related information for you to access on here.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any questions or comments via the email address tarves.sch@aberdeenshire.gov.uk.



Lara Conn, Head Teacher

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