Tipperty School Newsletter

October/ November 2023

Welcome to our October/November Newsletter!

<u>Welcome</u>

This term we are delighted to be joined by Miss Cruickshank, a student of Aberdeen University, who will be working with the Upper Stages group until January.

Tipperty Parent Group Christmas Fayre

A big well done to the Tipperty Parent Group for the recent Christmas Fayre which has raised a fantastic £531.55 for the Tipperty Community Defibrillator! What a fantastic achievement! A lot of hard work went into organising and running the event. It was great to hear that so many children were also involved in volunteering on the day. The Parent Group are making excellent progress in their fundraising in conjunction with the SADS UK charity. Many thanks to everyone involved.



October Parent Open afternoon

Thank you to everyone who attended our Open afternoon in October to help the children with their crafts for the Christmas Fayre. It was great to see everyone working together on the Christmas Crafts!



Tipperty Parent Group Open Afternoon

In October the Tipperty Parent Group held a successful Open Afternoon. Many thanks to Mrs Comery and the Tipperty Parent Group for organising and supporting this. Thank you to everyone who helped transform the courtyard area in the run up to the open afternoon. Many thanks also to the Tipperty Parent group for their donation of bark for the courtyard area.



Active Schools Rugby

All pupils have had the opportunity this term to work with Alice, the Active schools coach, focusing on rugby skills.



Harvest Collection

The Health Group recently organised a Harvest Collection for the Community Larder at Ellon Parish Church. Thank you to everyone for your kind donations. The food donated was collected by Pam from Ellon Parish Church at the Harvest assembly.

<u>Kodaly</u>

Mrs Okumu, music instructor, is delivering Kodaly sessions in school this term. During these sessions the children are engaged in a variety of active games and singing activities. The children appear to be greatly enjoying these sessions so far!



P4/5 Bikeability

Pupils in Primary 4/5 took part in Bikeability sessions with Mrs Baillie and Mrs Irvine in Term 1. The children have enjoyed learning basic cycle safety and improving their cycle skills.



Beach Clean

In September we went on a Beach Clean at Newburgh Beach. We joined up with classes from Newburgh



Mathers School and the East Grampian Coastal Partnership.



Poppy Appeal

The pupils of Tipperty School have been marking Remembrance by making an individual Poppy keepsake which we displayed on a Remembrance tree in school. We have raised £20.90 for this year's Poppy Appeal. Thank you for your support of this cause.



Rotakids: Shoebox appeal

The families of Tipperty School have once more been supporting the Rotary shoebox appeal for children and families in need. Pictured are some of the children with their shoebox donations.

We were delighted to be joined by Mrs Macalister from Ythan Valley Rotary at a recent Assembly. Mrs Macalister explained that she has been working with Tipperty School for over 40 years. We look forward to working with the Ythan Valley Rotary in the coming months.



New Bench

Our new playground bench has been delivered. A big thank you to the Tipperty Parent Group for funding the purchase of this bench and for arranging the installation by Ellon Men's shed. Thank you in particular to Mrs Mackay for coordinating this.



<u>Bulbs</u>

We have been fortunate to receive an allocation of spring flowering bulbs from Greenspaces and we are planning a bulb planting session in November with the help of Mrs Dew and our garden volunteers. We have also been donated purple crocus bulbs by the Rotary. Thank you to the Watt family for their kind donation of planters for this activity. Thank you also to the Yeoman family for volunteering to support the bulb planting out of school hours and also for donations of compost and gardening items. Thank you to the Mackay family for tidying up the overgrown plant on the shelter shed in the October holidays.

Health Group- Dyslexia Awareness Week

The Health group have recently been learning about Dyslexia awareness week. The children were interested to learn about how dyslexia can impact upon people's learning. The health group members distributed blue ribbons to represent this special week.



Outdoor clothing

As you will be aware, we continue to use the outdoor area for all breaks and for a variety of curricular activities. All pupils require a warm waterproof jacket as well as hat, scarf and gloves daily. A change of footwear (e.g. wellies) is also suggested so that the children can enjoy the full outdoor area at break.

100 Club Winners-Congratulations!

October	
£25	Janice Stephen (66)
£15	Mr & Mrs Sangster (74)
£10	Amanda Donald (36)
November	
£25	Karen Connon (83)
£15	Craig Yeoman (86)
£10	Claire Comery (25)

Important Dates

In-service Days	November 16 th and November 17 th 2023
Trip to Science Centre P1-7	November 22 nd 2023
Christmas Show	Wednesday 13 th December
Christmas Raffle	Wednesday 20 th December, 2.15pm
Pantomime trip	Thursday 21 st December 2023.
Occasional Day's holiday	Friday 22 nd December
Christmas Holidays	Monday 25 th Dec to 5 th January 2024 inclusive

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