



Meldrum School Newsletter

2nd November 2023

I hope you all enjoyed a lovely October break and are looking forward to a busy term ahead.



School Calendar

Dates for your diary for Term 2 are listed below. The date for our school Christmas lunch will be added in due course.

Term 2			
Week 2	Wednesday 8 th November	MPiP meeting	6.00pm, Room 21 or online
Week 3	Monday 13 th November	School photos	
	Tuesday 14 th November	School photos	
	Wednesday 15 th November	Dress down day for Children in Need	
	Thursday 16 th November	School closed to pupils – inservice days	
	Friday 17 th November		
Week 4	Tuesday 21 st November	Parent Consultations	4.00 – 6.30pm
	Thursday 23 rd November	Parent Consultations	4.00 – 6.30pm
	Saturday 25 th November	MPiP Christmas Fayre	11.00am – 3.00pm
Week 5	Friday 1 st December	MPiP Wreath Making Workshop	7.00 – 9.00pm
Week 6	Thursday 7 th December	Christmas Jumper Day	
Week 7	Wednesday 13 th December	P2, P3, P4 Christmas Show Performances	2.00pm and 6.00pm
	Thursday 14 th December	P2, P3, P4 Christmas Show Performances	2.00pm
Week 8	Monday 18 th December	P5, P6, P7 Christmas Craft Afternoon	2.30 – 3.15pm
	Tuesday 19 th December	P1 Nativity Performance	2.30pm
	Wednesday 20 th December	Christmas Church Service	
	Friday 22 nd December	P1-7 Christmas Parties	

School Photos

Tempest Photography will be visiting us soon to take class photographs. If you would prefer your child not to be included in this photograph, please email the school office to let us know. There is no need to get in touch if you are happy for your child to have their photo taken.



Children In Need

Children in Need 2023 is on Friday 17th November. As this is an inservice day for us, we plan to mark the occasion and raise some money on Wednesday 15th November by having a dress down day (no fancy dress please). Suggested donation is £1 which will be collected by Mrs Holland, Mrs Brown and Miss Harper in the playground.



Parent Consultations

Further details about how to book an appointment will follow shortly.

Home Learning

After taking a break from Home Learning last term, this has begun again this week. All Home Learning will be shared and should be submitted using Google Classroom. Home Learning will be issued on Wednesdays and should be handed in the following Wednesday. Each week, a Literacy task and Numeracy task will be set and each term, there will be an additional task which may span several weeks. All tasks will support your child's learning in school. A jotter will be provided for all children to use if required - this should remain at home and does not need to be returned to school. When completing tasks, please submit evidence of the task so teachers can see what your child has achieved.

Please support your children to complete their home learning tasks each week. Home learning is an important part of your child's educational journey and a valuable way of your child sharing their learning with you. If we can support in any way, please get in touch.

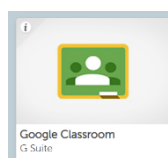
To Access Activities in Google Classroom

1. Log on to Glow <https://sts.platform.rmunify.com/Account/SignIn/glow>

2. Click the Meldrum School launch pad on the left hand side



3. Click the Google Classroom tile





4. Click your child's class tile

5. The work set will appear in the classwork tab at the top.

Depending on the type of task, you can submit a typed document, file or photo to share the learning. To submit - click on the assignment, in the top right corner 'Your Work' box click 'Add or Create' and you can create a Google Doc (which you can type in and send to the teacher) or upload a file you've created already and saved on your device (file, photo etc).



Car Parking

I am increasingly concerned about the unsafe parking in our car park. Parking on the grass verges and corners is very unsafe and is going to lead to an accident or someone being injured. Robertson Facilities Management, the company who run our building, have also expressed their concern about this and are taking steps to prevent it. Additional areas have been planted and some additional signage is to be put up. We are in the fortunate position of being able to offer some visitor and parent/carer parking in our car park so I ask again that parents/carers use the designated bays for parking and do not park in the bus bay, disabled parking spaces or the turning circle. If the car park is full, please park elsewhere.

Change of School Day

A reminder that from Monday 8th January 2024 our school hours for P1-7 children will be changing to 9.00am – 3.00pm.

Bookfair

Thank you to everyone for supporting our recent bookfair at school. We earned £1429 of commission which we will spend on books to support learning across the school.



Earrings

For safety reasons, we ask that children do not wear large earrings to school. If your child would like to wear earrings to school, small studs would be safest and most appropriate.



Smart Watches

If your child wears a smart watch to school, please make sure that the connectivity/messaging function is not enabled during the school day. Watches should be switched to 'class mode' or equivalent. Watches that are being used for messaging etc will be treated as a mobile phone and children will be expected to hand them in each day.

Community

P6 and P7 Rugby

We welcome Garioch Rugby to school this term as they deliver rugby sessions to our P6 and P7 children.



P4 and P5 Social Dance

Thank you to Active Schools and Meldrum Academy senior pupils who will be supporting us to deliver social dance to our P4 and P5 children.

We look forward to seeing you all in school over the next few weeks and in the lead up to Christmas. Further details about our Christmas events will be shared nearer the time.

Carol Harper

Head Teacher

