**Echt School Weekly Bulletin**

**September 1st 2017**

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| **P4-7**  **Some of P4-7s favourite activities from this week included making our own ice cream with liquid nitrogen and extracting strawberry DNA at TechFest.**  **We were also learning about the Second World War in school and made our own Enigma machines. We will be taking these home to show our families in the next few weeks.  Next week we will be starting our self portrait project in art and asking ourselves, what does our imagination look like?** | **Backpack Appeal**  **We are once again hoping to support Mary’s Meals Backpack Appeal. If you can send in any of the items in the link below, we will pack them into a backpack which will be handed to Westhill Rotary.**  [**https://www.marysmeals.org.uk/get-involved/campaigns/the-backpack-project/what-to-pack**](https://www.marysmeals.org.uk/get-involved/campaigns/the-backpack-project/what-to-pack) |
| **Names on Clothes**  **Please ensure your child's clothes are all named. You can do this easily by writing your child's name on the label with a pen.** | **Christmas Fair**  **Our Christmas Fair will be held on Friday Dec 1st this year from 18.30 to 20.30. If you or anyone you know would like a stall at the Fair for £10, please contact the school. More details will follow nearer the time.** |
| **Family Picnic and Walk**  **We would like to invite families, former pupils and their families and members of the community of Echt to join us on Saturday 7th Oct, weather permitting, on a walk from the school to Barmekin Hill. We intend stopping for a picnic at Barmekin Hill and people will be able to walk round the hill or up to the top! We will set off from the school at 1pm.** | **Parent and Child Meetings**  **Letters will be issued soon inviting yourself and your child/ren into school to meet with your child's teacher. These meetings will be held on Tuesday 26th September from 5pm to 7pm.** |
| **Masterclass**  **If anyone is free on Tuesday mornings between 9am and 10am to help out with a Masterclass group, please contact the school office. We intend working on projects in the school grounds up to the Oct holidays after which we will be working on Christmas crafts for the Christmas Fair.** | **Visiting Specialists**  **This term, Mr Cahill, ICT, is in school all day on Monday, working with all of the children. We also have Mrs Malone on Thursday mornings taking the children for Kodaly music.** |

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| **P.E.**  **Please ensure your child's P.E. kit is in school from Monday to Friday and again, please write your child's name on shorts, t-shirts and gym shoes.** | **Digital Leaders**  **Our Digital Leaders are running a lunchtime Movie Making Club every Tuesday for children in P3-7.** |
| **Eggs for Sale**  **Eggs are for sale in school 4 for £1** |  |
| **Rights Respecting School Award**  **We have received our RRSA Level 1 certificate which will be displayed on the wall at the school entrance. The children and staff worked hard to gain this award and we are now working towards our Level 2.** | **Tesco Bags of Help Token Scheme**  **Tesco’s Bags of Help Token Scheme lets customers choose where money raised from the 5p bag charge should go. Customers are given (you may need to ask or sometimes take from a pot at the checkout) a token to use to vote for their favourite of 3 local projects to receive funding over 2 months. Each project will receive either £4,000, £2,000 or £1,000. Our Nursery Outdoor Development Project is one of the three causes in Banchory Tesco for September and October. Please support us by posting your tokens after you shop. Thank You** |
| **Dates for your Diary**  **September**  **Thursday 7th TTT’s at Echt Hall 10-11am**  **Tuesday 12th P4-7 Going Green at Castle Fraser**  **Thursday 21st TTT’s at Echt Hall 10-11am**  **Tuesday 26th Parent/Open Evening 5-7pm**  **October**  **Wednesday 4th Forest School**  **Thursday 5th TTT’s at Echt Hall 10-11am**  **Friday 13th End of Term 1**  **Monday 30th Start of Term 2**  **November**  **Monday 13 –**  **Tuesday 14th In-Service – School closed to pupils only**  **December**  **Friday 1st Christmas Fayre – 6.30-8.30pm**  **Friday 22nd Last Day of Term 2** | |