

ECHT SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



EVERYONE CREATIVE AND HAPPY TOGETHER

CREATIVE RESPECTFUL SELF-BELIEF TEAM PLAYER INCLUDED INDEPENDENT

Welcome to the Echt School termly class newsletter in which we aim to share the learning that we have planned for the term alongside the children, as well as key notices and dates for the term. Our curriculum has been recently refreshed to link closely with the 17 United Nations Sustainability Goals (SDGs) and the United Nation Charter for the Rights of the Child (UNCRC). We hope you find this newsletter useful.

General information This term pupils have continued to do well in school to adhere to our new ways of being and staying within bubbles during class, play time and Forest School. Whilst we look forward to a time when these measures can be dispensed with, we appreciate the cooperation of all to keep everyone safe during these current times.

We were very pleased that technology worked well during our virtual parents' evenings last week and we hope that this is the case when we invite you to tune in for our virtual Christmas Winter Festivals assembly next month, where we hope to give you a flavour of our learning this term. See date below. More information to follow. The outdoor school photos went well and from the snapshots we saw, looked very promising.

PE Guidelines have been updated and indoor PE is now an option. However, we still need pupils to arrive in school wearing PE kit as they did in Term 1 and also be prepared for PE outdoors when the weather permits.

Areas your child will be working on

Reading 'Short Read' Reflective Reading small group activities, Group reading sessions, Reading for enjoyment ERIC time.

Writing Poetry, myths and legends, types of nouns.

Spelling Phonics International Units focus (varies depending on child/age/stage), Spelling activities

Listening & Talking Small group work, Newsround—listening and responding, Modern Languages

Numeracy Multiplication and Division strategies, Prime numbers, multiples & factors. Creating and reading timetables and calendars, using timers and working out time intervals, speed distance and time. CLIC maths.

Health and wellbeing: Keeping safe: Covid routines, Running (relays), Dance linked with Winter Festivals, Target setting, achievement wall, circle time activities.

Our context for learning (theme) this term is 'Winter Festivals'

UN Sustainability Goals Focus

Goal 4: Quality Education

Links to Charter for the rights of the child (key articles)

Article 2 The right to non-discrimination **Article 12** Respect for the views of the child **Article 13** Freedom of expression **Article 14** Freedom of thought, belief and religion **Article 15** Freedom of association **Article 17** Right to access to information from the media

Key themes to explore

Winter Festivals: Halloween, Hannukah, Diwali, Christmas Practices and Traditions – the importance of traditions, practices, ceremonies, customs, way of marking important events in Christianity and World Religions and at least one belief group independent of religion.

Dates for your calendar (please continue to also refer to the weekly bulletin)

Forest School: Tuesday 1st December

Christmas Lunch: Tuesday 8th December

Christmas Festivals Virtual Assembly: Tuesday 15th December (details to follow)

Christmas break: Last day of term Friday 18th December. School starts back on Tuesday 5th January.

Weekly Timetable (a typical week) What you can do at home to help

Please encourage your child to...

- Read regularly with an adult and discuss the text
- Practise rapid recall maths facts on Sumdog or
- Topmarks 'Hit The Button'

- Complete homework tasks on Google classroom

Mrs Lennon teaches- Monday, Tuesday Wednesday

Miss Cochrane teaches - Thursday, Friday and every 4th Wednesday

Mr Watt—Mondays (HWB [PE] and Art)

Monday	Literacy activities, HWB(PE), Numeracy, Art
Tuesday	Numeracy, HWB (PE), Pupil groups, Phonics
Wednesday	Literacy activities, Numeracy, Theme, French/ Mandarin
Thursday	Literacy activities, Numeracy, HWB
Friday	Assembly, Numeracy, Theme

EchtSchool website (under re-construction) <http://echt.aberdeenshire.sch.uk/>

Twitter @Echt_school

