

# St Cyrus Primary School

## Newsletter – January 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

Happy New Year!

Wishing you all a super year, filled with good health and happiness.

### Staffing

I have received a number of queries regarding Mr Smith's return to his position as Head Teacher at St Cyrus School, following his secondment with the EIS. We have not been informed of his return to work date. As soon as I am made aware of this I will of course let you know.

Our vacancy for Early Years Practitioner within the nursery closes today. It is hoped that we will be able to conduct interviews week beginning 23 January.

Until an appointment can be made Mrs Lahoar and Ms Spence will be providing cover.

### What is on in school this term?

- Last Friday (13 January) Ian Begg from RNLI did a superb presentation to all our pupils on the service RNLI provides and how to keep safe when visiting the beach.
- We will once again be holding our Scottish Poetry Competition with class competitions being held on Friday, 27 January. Overall winners will be judged by a guest during Assembly on Friday, 3 February.

We appreciate your help in supporting the children to learn their poems.

- P2 continue to have "Roots of Empathy" sessions by Jane Cuthill, our locally trained Roots of Empathy teacher.
- P4, this term will enjoy an input from the Bible Alive team.
- P6 visited Mearns Academy on Wednesday, 11 January to experience a Science lesson. Mearns Academy staff will provide a follow up lesson at St Cyrus on Monday, 23 January.
- P7 have begun training with Community Learning on "Adventure Service".

- We look forward to welcoming three 4<sup>th</sup> year Mearns Academy students to our school week beginning 23 January. During their week's work placement students will have the opportunity to experience the variety of roles within the school.

## Reminder!

School is closed to all on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup>, Friday 10<sup>th</sup> and Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February. School is open to staff for training on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February. During these days, staff will be studying/developing visible learning, big writing, tracking children's learning, in addition to a variety of other areas.

With best wishes

Isla Mann  
Head Teacher