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Cluny's February Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you were all able to enjoy some relaxing family time over the mid-term break. It has hard to believe that we are now over halfway through the school year. This means that our P4 pupils are now halfway through their primary school journey.

School Website

We have been working hard to update our school website. You will now find learning updates within each classes section. Our digital ambassadors have a calendar for updating this so there may not be something for every class right now. At our recent Parent Council and Friends of Cluny (FOC) meetings, it was raised that we could make more use of our website as many don't use it and some parents don't even know about it. Adding a calendar was suggested to allow parents to access this at all times to view any upcoming visits and events. At present, we include this information within HT Newsletters, Class Newsletters and the FOC Facebook page. Mrs Wood has created a calendar and we hope that you will find this useful. The website can be accessed at www.cluny.moray.sch.uk/.

Celebrating Success

We will be celebrating outside achievements during Monday's assembly. This is a great opportunity for pupils to share their outside talents with our school community. Please encourage your child/ren to bring in any certificates, medals or trophies that they have won recently to showcase on Monday 24th February.

Dates for your Diary

- 20th February – Valentine's Disco, P1-3 – 4-5.30pm and P4-7 – 6-7.30pm
- 4th – 6th March – Child Smile in school
- 6th March – World Book Day
- 13th March – Scottish Opera for P6 and P7
- 14th March – Buckie ASG Cross Country Event
- 27th March – Reports issued to parents
- 28th March – Last day of term 3
- 17th and 18th April – P6/7M, P7C and P7W Parents' evenings
- 24th and 25th April – P1-P6HB Parents' evenings – more information to follow

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Staffing

I am delighted to share with you that Gemma Shortreed will be joining the Senior Leadership Team here at Cluny on Thursday 6th March. Gemma brings a wealth of experience with her and she is excited about this new leadership opportunity. Kim Karam will continue in the acting role until this date. I would like to thank Kim for all that she continues to do to support our school community. She has embraced this role and made positive contributions to our team.

Following recent support staff interviews, Gayle Calder and Jenny Miller were successful in securing the Pupil Support Assistant vacancies. Sophie Clark will also be joining the team as a Children's Supervisor. We look forward to welcoming them to the team.

World Book Day

World Book Day is on Thursday 6th March this year. We are not asking children to dress up this year but there are ways you can support this important initiative:

- Pupils can bring their favourite book in and show classmates
- We are asking any parents who are willing to come in and read a favourite book or passage to their child's class to get in touch with possible times (this will be happening all WBD week)
- Children will be participating in extra ERIC (Everybody Reads In Class) and DEAR (Drop Everything And Read) activities
- Classes will do other activities – such as designing bookmarks and doing book cover art works; some may join in with online live lessons
- Staff will be sharing their favourite reads
- Children will be given a book token (this has already happened for most classes)
- We are asking any children who have books in reasonable condition which they no longer need to donate to our school sharing libraries (this will be happening all WBD week)
- Any donations for the school to spend on books will be gratefully received but there is no request for specific contributions

Other School News

- Article of the month – Article (Right Number) 23: A child with a disability has the right to live a full and decent life with dignity and independence, and to play an active part in the community.
- Maths website of the month - <https://www.math-salamanders.com/>. They have lots of interactive games to explore. Please visit this with your child and enjoy some fun home learning.
- **Please be vigilant and check your child's head for head lice.**

As always, if there is anything you wish to discuss further, please call or email.

Kindest regards,



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