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| Hello and welcome to a new school year – for some, their very first experience of the Oyne School family. I hope you have had a lovely summer - we are all looking forward to hearing all about your adventures however big or small. As always there is a lot going on at the start of the year, not to mention a never ending stream of permission forms, data requests and feedback! We do try to keep these to a minimum but would appreciate if you could read this letter carefully and return all information requested as soon as possible. I have included some brief information and reminders to help ensure a smooth start to the year. We will be hosting a ‘Meet and Greet’ evening on Wednesday 11th September 6.30 to 8.30pm and do hope you can make it along to find out all about your child/ren’s class, our learning and teaching and the day to day running of the school. This will also give you the opportunity to ask any questions you may have and to discuss aspects of school life over a cup of tea and some cake.I am looking forward to a busy, successful and fun year ahead as we work together to provide the very best experiences for our children. Kind regards,Lindsey McBride  |
| Our Staff TeamMrs Rhona Mowat - P5/6/7 Mrs Tracey Smith - PSA Mr Remi Journé - French Mrs Heather Taylor - P3/4 Miss Gill Allan - PSA Miss Catherine Murray - Music Mrs Kelly-Smith/Mrs McBride - P1/2 Mrs Valerie Napier – SfL Mr Rory Allardice – PEMrs Jane Smith – Admin Mrs Lynn Cooper – Catering SupervisorMrs Kay Stewart – Catering Mrs Sharon Craigmyle – Cleaner Mr Gus Brechin - Janitor |
| **P1 Starting Date/Times:****Week 1:** Wednesday 21st Aug – Friday 23rd Aug 9am – 12:30pm**Week 2:** Monday 26th Aug 9am – 12:30pm Tuesday 27th Aug 9am – 3:15pm (Whole school trip to Techfest in Aberdeen) Wednesday 28th Aug 9am – 12:30pm Thursday 29th and Friday 30th Aug 9am – 1:30pm (children stay for lunch)**Week 3:** Every day 9am – 3:15pm |
| Oyne Parent CouncilOur children, staff and families continue to benefit hugely from an excellent partnership with our Parent Council. Their support and enthusiasm enriches the life of the school and promotes close and positive relationships across the community. If you would like to know more about joining the Parent Council or other ways to get involved, please come along to the first meeting of the session on Tuesday 3rd September at 7:30pm. Everyone welcome! |
| Rules and Routine Reminders* Please ensure your child/children arrives at school in time to line up at the back door at 9am where a member of staff will welcome them in when the bell rings.
* Please be mindful of your own and the safety of others when arriving/leaving the school premises, in particular around the narrow pavement area around the school gate.
* If arriving late, please report to the school office.
* The school office is manned every morning. If you need to call or visit us, please do so before 1pm where possible.
* Please inform the school of all absences (planned and unplanned eg due to illness)
* Please do not bring footballs or other toys to school.
* Please make sure all clothing and personal property are labelled.
* Please provide indoor shoes, PE kit and a water bottle for your child/children.
* If your child requires medicine to be given at school, please ensure you complete the relevant form which can be obtained from the school office. If your child’s medicine box was returned to you at the end of last term, please can you check that the medicine and information is correct and in date before giving back to school.
* Please keep up-to-date with all our news and information by reading our newsletters, e-mail checking our Parent’s Facebook Group, SeeSaw and by following us on Twitter (@OyneSchool)
* We will be using the SeeSaw app again for sharing the pupil’s work – these are currently being set up and emails will go out next week about this.
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| Weekly TimetablePlease note, pupils must remove all items of jewellery before taking part in PE lessons. |

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| Updated Policies:The following updated policies can be found on our website:Positive Relationships and BehaviourThank you to those who gave feedback relating to our updated Positive Relationship and Behaviour Policy. We look forward to using our new ‘Punch cards’ and giving out our Golden Moment Stickers. HomeworkOur first Shared Learning Homework grid will be issued on Monday 2nd September. |
| Parent AuditConsulting with children, parents and partners is essential in helping us improve our school. We would be very grateful if you could complete and return the attached parent audit. This provides very useful information which we use to identify areas of strength and areas we can improve.  |
| Annual FormsThere are lots of forms and consents that need completed at this time of year – we’ve tried to reduce these as much as possible but we would appreciate your patience in completing and returning all of these as soon as possible and by Monday 2nd September please.  |
| Dates for your DiaryDates for Term 1:-Every Monday from 26th Aug to 30th Sept – Junior Jog P1-7 lunchtimes and Skipping & Multisports P1-7 3.20-4.20pmTue 27th Aug – Whole School all Day Trip to TechfestFri 30th Aug – P5-7 Trip to Logie Country HouseTue 3rd Sep – Parent Council meeting in the school, 7.30pm – All WelcomeWed 11th Sep – Meet & Greet in school 6.30-8.30pmThu 10th Oct – Last day of Term 1 for pupilsFri 11th Oct – Inservice 3Mon 28th Oct – First day of Term 2 |

**List of Enclosures – Please complete and return all forms by Monday 2nd September**

1. Annual Consent Forms – to be completed and returned
2. Annual Data Check – to be checked, signed and returned.
3. Photography & Video Consent Form – to be signed and returned (1 for each child)
4. Internet Use – to be signed by both parents and children (1 per child – different forms for p1-3 and p4-7) and returned
5. Supporting Medical Needs in School – this relates to ALL children and not just those with specific medical conditions – please read before you sign that section of annual consent form
6. Privacy Notice – please read.