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What's On This Week?

2nd October 2023

Dear All,

Last week we were working hard to get our scarecrows finished in time to enter the fun festival of scarecrows at Insch. If you didn't get a chance to see them in person, have a look at the pictures on the 'X' feed - @OyneSchool. There are some lovely photos of Maths Week Scotland too, for families who have given us permission to show pictures.

We will be having Mr Graeme Smith in school tomorrow to help us with delivery of our RME curriculum. For families who don't know or are not sure what our experiences and outcomes state in regards to what we are required to teach, I am enclosing a link to our Scottish RME curriculum document:

<https://education.gov.scot/media/hg0nltic/rme-eo.pdf>

We have asked Mr Smith to focus on the following:

Early Level: As I explore Christian stories, images, music and poems, I am becoming familiar with some beliefs Christian people have about God and Jesus. RME 0-01a Through exploring Bible stories, I can describe some beliefs Christians have about God and Jesus.

First Level: Through exploring Bible stories, I can describe some beliefs Christians have about God and Jesus. RME 1-01a Having explored biblical and other Christian stories, I can show my developing understanding of key values of Christianity and how they might be put into action in people's lives and communities. RME 1-02a I can describe the key features of the values of Christianity which are expressed in stories. RME 1-02b

Second Level: Through investigating and reflecting upon biblical and other Christian stories, I can show my understanding of these stories. RME 2-01a Through exploring the lives and teachings of Jesus and other figures in Christianity, I am increasing my knowledge and understanding of key Christian beliefs. RME 2-01b I can show understanding of Christian beliefs and explore the similarities and differences between these and my developing beliefs. RME 2-01c

It was reported that there was a level of discomfort from some families regarding Mr Smith being in school in previous years, so I wanted to make sure that all the information needed was shared with the community to make an informed decision about the RME lessons. Mr Smith is a former class teacher, married to a Head Teacher and is fully PVG-ed. He will not, however, be taking classes on his own – he will be working with the class teachers for free to enliven the lessons with stories and activities.

Mon	All classes – judo 😊. Mrs Brandston IPT working in school. Mrs Minto visiting for music class preparation.
Tues	Mr Smith visiting for RME sessions. Homework out. Staff meeting 3.15.
Wed	Chalameau lesson – P4-7. Talk for Writing Training at Logie Durno PS.
Thurs	PE- all classes. Violin. Support for Learning teacher here.
Fri	Quality Improvement Visit – Paul Rooke, Quality Improvement Manager and Jonathan Cordiner, Quality Improvement Officer in Oyne PS all day. PE- all classes. Violin.

Upcoming Dates

- There is an opportunity to take part in a Cluster football and netball festival on Wednesday 11th (Football) and Thursday 12th October (Netball). The matches would be timed to start at 4:00 pm to allow everyone to get there. We will call families of children who have expressed an interest to gauge the ability of families to support and transport the children.
- There will be an Oyne Autumn Community Clean Up - Sunday 8th October, 10am - 12pm. Litter pickers, hoops, black bags and high viz vests will be provided. Please meet at the Village Hall.