

## QUARRYHILL SCHOOL BIRKHALL PARADE ABERDEEN AB16 5QT Acting Head Teacher: Mr Conor Meehan

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Greetings School Community,

As we approach the midpoint of term 2, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on the wonderful progress our students have made. It brings me great joy to hear the melodic voices of our children as they prepare for their upcoming performances.

This term has been filled with many exciting initiatives and activities throughout the school. Our dedicated parent groups have been hard at work revamping the school library, while we have been in discussions with Prince's Trust on potential whole school art projects. Some of our students will be engaging in engineering projects with Nippon Gases, attending author visits, and participating in a new afterschool STEM workshop hosted by Aberdeen Science Centre. We have also seen the start of a number of break and lunchtime clubs run by the staff, and next term we look forward to starting other lunchtime clubs such as a Lego and H&WB club.

To stay up to date with all the latest news and events, please keep an eye on our foyer screen and the noticeboard in the office reception area. As the holiday season approaches, I invite you to join us at the various Christmas events happening over the next four weeks.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to the success of our students.

Kind regards,

Conor Meehan

Acting Head Teacher.

## Place2Be & Parent Smart

This weeks recommended video:

1. How can I support my child after a traumatic event?

For more, scan the QR code for more videos and articles.



## **Dates for your Diary**

4 <sup>th</sup> December 4 <sup>th</sup> December 5 <sup>th</sup> December	
5 <sup>th</sup> December	
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3:15-4:30	All are welcome and session will take place in the Sport Hall See poster in Reception or Aline 07890 963049
7 <sup>th</sup> December 3:15-5:15	All are welcome. To accommodate setting up, school lunches will be moved forward by 15 minutes for all year groups. I.e. Starting at 12 pm instead of 12:15 pm.
7 <sup>th</sup> December	
13 <sup>th</sup> December	
13 <sup>th</sup> December	Please choose your options on Parent Pay
14 <sup>th</sup> December	Sign-up here to reserve your space - https://forms.office.com/e/v0Ry8xG5Az
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Sign-up here to reserve your space - https://forms.office.com/e/v0Ry8xG5Az
Throughout 18 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Thank you to the PTA who will be supplying party food for each class.
19 <sup>th</sup> December	Children can wear Christmas jumpers if they wish.
	5 <sup>th</sup> December 3:15-4:30  7 <sup>th</sup> December 3:15-5:15  7 <sup>th</sup> December 13 <sup>th</sup> December 14 <sup>th</sup> December  15 <sup>th</sup> December  Throughout 18 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup> December

## **Updates**

- 1. Christmas Performances To secure your spot in our upcoming Christmas performances, kindly sign up through the link provided below. Please note that booking closes on Friday, December 8 at 12 noon.
  - a. Link <a href="https://forms.office.com/e/v0Ry8xG5Az">https://forms.office.com/e/v0Ry8xG5Az</a>
- 2. Christmas Fair Our Christmas Fair is scheduled on December 7 from 3:15 to 5:15. Our students are working hard to prepare for the event, and we invite you to come and join us. We are currently accepting donations for our tombola event. Suggested items include chocolates, beauty products, toys, homemade baked goods, jars of jam and chutney, tins of biscuits, and other similar items. Please note that any alcoholic beverages should be left at the office and should not be brought in by the children.
- 3. We would like to congratulate Cody Cator P7 and Georgia McGrath P5 for being nominated as our school Sports Captains. We are excited to see them lead new and exciting sports opportunities at Quarryhill School.

4. In line with the ideas gathered from our students, and with the support of our parent groups, we will be introducing a new lunchtime scootering activity. We have received a set of scooters and helmets, and we will roll out (no pun intended) this program to our P1-3 classes over the next few weeks. We hope to expand this to our older year groups soon.

Thank you and kind regards.

Conor Meehan

Acting Head Teacher