



Kaimhill School

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Dear Parents/Carers

On behalf of all the staff at Kaimhill School, we wish you a lovely festive break. I want to thank you for all the support shown to the school over this Christmas season. Our families have been well represented in the audience of the many shows and performances delivered by our fabulous wee people and their hardworking teachers and PSAs. I hope every member of our school community benefits from a restful holiday and we look forward to welcoming you all back on January 6, 2020, for the start of the new term.

Parent Council

On the 28th of November we had a very busy and profitable Christmas Fair here at Kaimhill School. Thanks to all the families, staff and community friends who support our school events - the evening had a lovely atmosphere and festive spirit.

Special thanks to our Parent Council who work tirelessly across the year to raise funds and support the work of the school. I appreciate and value their support very much. For nursery, they have paid for a subscription to Interactive Learning Diaries, for waterproof clothing and a rail for children, waterproof trousers for staff, playdough resources and Tuff trays along with many other resources. For school they have paid for subscriptions for Big Maths Online, Charanga Music, and Twinkl, donated money towards the P7 trip to Cromdale, bought cycle helmets and scooters, netball bibs and T-shirts, and paid for the purchase of dyslexia friendly books and general books as well as an author visit for senior pupils. They are also paying for a magician act for the last day of this term as well as small gifts for the children.

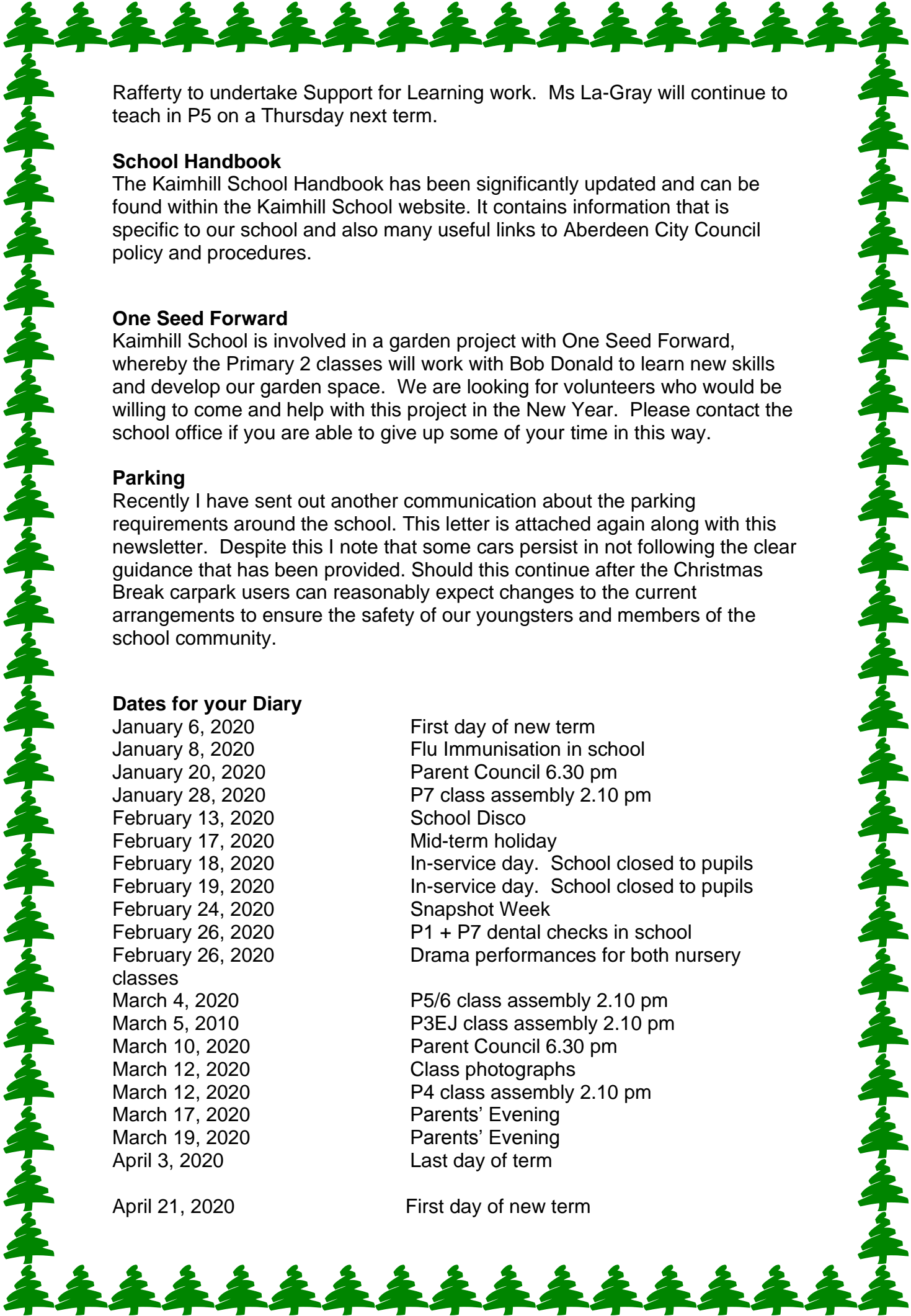
Staffing

I want to remember Mrs Christie very specially at this time of year who continues to be absent due to a period of prolonged ill-health. I should like to thank her on behalf of the P3, P3/4 and P5 pupils for her generosity and kindness in gifting all pupils a Christmas present.

She is very much in our thoughts and I know you will join me in wishing her and her nearest and dearest a peaceful and restful time over the festive period.

We are delighted to welcome Miss Anderson and Ms Robinson, Pupil Support Assistants, to our staff. Miss Anderson will be working mainly in the upper school, while Ms Robinson spends her mornings in Broomhill School and her afternoons in P1.

In other staffing news, Mrs Dingwall-McBain is reducing her hours from January, and will no longer work on a Tuesday. These hours will be picked up by Mrs Breen, who will now cover P1MH on a Wednesday, releasing Mr



Rafferty to undertake Support for Learning work. Ms La-Gray will continue to teach in P5 on a Thursday next term.

School Handbook

The Kaimhill School Handbook has been significantly updated and can be found within the Kaimhill School website. It contains information that is specific to our school and also many useful links to Aberdeen City Council policy and procedures.

One Seed Forward

Kaimhill School is involved in a garden project with One Seed Forward, whereby the Primary 2 classes will work with Bob Donald to learn new skills and develop our garden space. We are looking for volunteers who would be willing to come and help with this project in the New Year. Please contact the school office if you are able to give up some of your time in this way.

Parking

Recently I have sent out another communication about the parking requirements around the school. This letter is attached again along with this newsletter. Despite this I note that some cars persist in not following the clear guidance that has been provided. Should this continue after the Christmas Break carpark users can reasonably expect changes to the current arrangements to ensure the safety of our youngsters and members of the school community.

Dates for your Diary

January 6, 2020	First day of new term
January 8, 2020	Flu Immunisation in school
January 20, 2020	Parent Council 6.30 pm
January 28, 2020	P7 class assembly 2.10 pm
February 13, 2020	School Disco
February 17, 2020	Mid-term holiday
February 18, 2020	In-service day. School closed to pupils
February 19, 2020	In-service day. School closed to pupils
February 24, 2020	Snapshot Week
February 26, 2020	P1 + P7 dental checks in school
February 26, 2020	Drama performances for both nursery
classes	
March 4, 2020	P5/6 class assembly 2.10 pm
March 5, 2010	P3EJ class assembly 2.10 pm
March 10, 2020	Parent Council 6.30 pm
March 12, 2020	Class photographs
March 12, 2020	P4 class assembly 2.10 pm
March 17, 2020	Parents' Evening
March 19, 2020	Parents' Evening
April 3, 2020	Last day of term

April 21, 2020

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