

Torphins Primary School

Newsletter Term 2



Term 2 is always a very busy and varied term. It starts with our annual Torphins School Parent Council jumble sale, ends with all the children counting the sleeps until Santa comes and has lots packed in between. We would like to share a couple of this term's learning highlights with you.

Remembrance Day

Primary 7's very artistic method of recording their individual thoughts to create a class poppy.



We are always proud of the wide ranging talents of the pupils of Torphins Primary School. David in Primary 7 made St Andrew's Day special for us by piping all the children in to the lunch hall on 30th November. Thank you and well done David.

Rights Respecting School



We are working towards achieving our Rights Respecting School Level 1 award. Primary 6 are playing a key role in supporting us. They presented a fab assembly in November highlighting the UNICEF's convention on the rights of the Child. The convention has 54 articles that covers all aspects of a child's life. This is one of Aberdeenshire Council focus initiatives in which we are actively participating.

Primary 1-3 Nativity



The Sleepy Shepherd

The nativity is always a highlight of the year for the children in early stages. They are delighted to showcase their learning for you at their performances, which of course wouldn't be complete without a guest appearance from nursery. The children develop confidence and creative skills through the presentation of their nativity. The children's performance are fab because they work as a team and are able to follow performance directions. They give of their best learning lines and songs. All of these skills are aspects of the Expressive Arts and Literacy curricula.



This year for the first time we had a food appeal on behalf of Aberdeen Cyrenians. We were overwhelmed by the generosity of the Torphins community. We collected 5 very big boxes and 12 large shopping bags of food. As a school we are expected to be aware of our community and what makes us unique. We are agree that generosity of both soul and spirit sums up Torphins community, whether it be donating time or contributions. Thank you we appreciate it.

Aila and Calum representing the Pupil Council plus Molly and Jack representing our Eco Group with a display they created for our special assembly with a small selection of all the food you sent. Thank you.

Primary 1-3 - Peter Pan at HMT, Aberdeen

- There was big excitement on the 11th December as 3 buses left school with our
- Primary 1-3 children off to see the pantomime. The trip was subsidised by the
- Torphins School Parent Council. We were very proud of their excellent behaviour and
- they had a fabulous time soaking up the theatre atmosphere and experience.

We would like to wish you a very merry Christmas when it comes and a big thank you for all your help and support throughout the year and all the best wishes for 2016.

*Merry
Christmas*