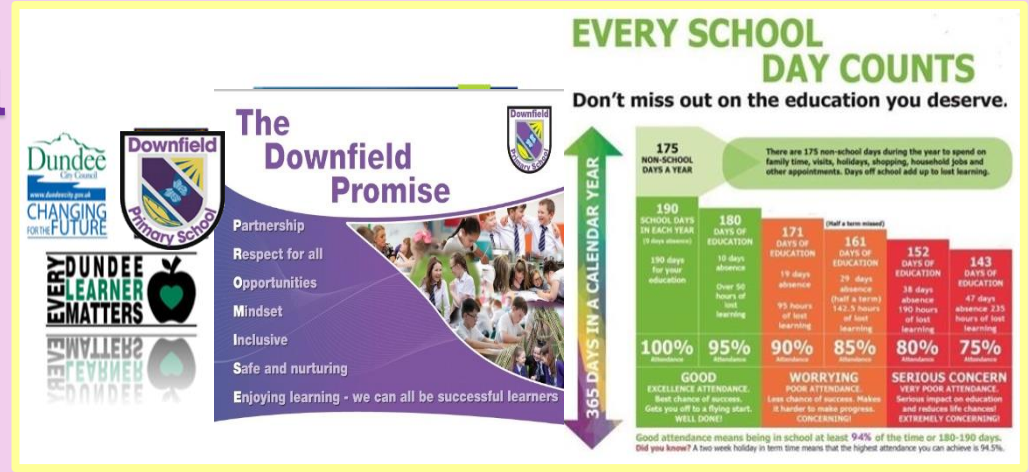


Downfield Primary School

Weekly News

Friday 10th January 2025



The Downfield Promise

- Partnership
- Respect for all
- Opportunities
- Mindset
- Inclusive
- Safe and nurturing
- Enjoying learning - we can all be successful learners

Star of the Week Awards

- P1/2 Charlie & Iona
- P2/3 Casey
- P3 Sierra
- P4&4/5 Kieran & Kyle
- P5 Lucas
- P5/6 Ava B
- P6 Lucy
- P7 Paul & Jamie



Well done to all our stars – great learning, behaviour and effort from you all!

School News

School Dinner Choices

<https://www.tayside-contracts.co.uk/tc-document?dsid=1721&frm=862>

Attendance: The year group with highest attendance last week:

P1 AGAIN! – well done! 93.75%

Whole School Attendance last week: 91.04%

Whole School Attendance this week: 90.6%

Whole school attendance target for this year: 92%



UNCRC RIGHT IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Article 1

You have rights and so does every person under the age of 18.

Article 41

You have the right to... extra rights if the country you live in has laws to protect you.

Getting It Right For Every Child



Healthy

WHOLE SCHOOL FOCUS 24/25:

- ✓ Attendance
- ✓ Raising Attainment in Literacy
- ✓ Curriculum Review



HEAD TEACHER MESSAGE

Welcome back and a happy new year to all our families! We have had a wonderful first week back this week....the children seem to have settled back well into their back to school routines, although there were definitely a few sleepy faces at the start of the week, for sure! I would like to invite parents and carers into school next week for a coffee and chat. The **coffee morning/afternoon is on 15th/17th January** – one in the morning after drop off and the other after school. Please come along to those if you can – it's a good opportunity to let me know what parents value, particularly in terms of communication between home and school, so that we can come up with a communication plan moving forward, so we can get things right for everyone.

We have noticed a real increase in children forgetting to **bring a water bottle to school**. Please encourage your child to bring theirs. We no longer allow children to drink directly from the water fountain and ask that they use it to fill their bottles instead, for obvious hygiene reasons! Children may leave their bottles in school all week but we ask they take them home at weekends to be cleaned, ready for the next week. I would like to give you a wee reminder regarding or revised early pick up procedure.... **If you need to collect your child early occasionally or there is a last minute change to pick up arrangements, please let the school office know by 12.15pm.** We cannot guarantee being able to action a request taken later in the day as messages are passed to teachers just before the lunch bell, when we have additional staff on duty. Hope to see some of you next week for a cuppa! Please come along if you are free!

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Upcoming Events: Please check as added to weekly as diaries change!

Week beginning 6 th January 2025...	Term 3 begins 9am
Monday 13 th January	Parent Council 6-8pm
Wednesday 15 th January	Parent Communication Group 3pm -3.45pm
Thursday 16 th ~January	P7 trip to Abertay University – STEM
Friday 17 th January	Parent Communication Group 8.30am -9.30am
Friday 24 th January	Scottish Culture theme day – wear something Scottish themed!
Friday 31 st January	P4 Assembly – parents invited!
Wednesday 12 th February	Parent Council pupil disco (provisional date)
Friday/Monday 14 th /17 th February	Mid Term holiday – sch closed to pupils and staff
Tuesday 18 th February	Inservice day – school closed to pupils
Friday 21 st February	P6 Assembly – parents invited!
Thursday 27 th February	Parent contact evening 4-6pm
Wednesday 5 th March	Parent contact evening 4-6pm
Monday 17 th March	Parent Council 6-8pm
Friday 28 th March	Good Friday – start of Easter holidays

