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Dear Parent/Carer

### **S1 John Muir Award Practical Conservation Day**

I am delighted to say that as part of our ongoing commitment to outdoor learning we will be providing the opportunity for every pupil in S1 to continue with, or commence the John Muir Award programme. The John Muir Award is a national environmental award that encourages people of all backgrounds to connect with, enjoy and care for wild places through a structured yet adaptable scheme. The Award isn't competitive but should challenge each participant. It encourages awareness and responsibility for the natural environment, in a spirit of fun, adventure and exploration.

A practical conservation day will take place on Thursday 29th November for pupils in Farragon and Lawers and Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December for pupils in Mhor and Schiehallion, departing school at 9am and returning at 3:30pm.

We will be working with staff from Highland Perthshire Communities Land Trust at Dun Coillich and the John Muir Trust at Schiehallion carrying out a variety of conservation tasks. The trip will be fully subsidised by the school to allow participation by all.

Children participating in John Muir Award activities will need to bring a packed lunch and be dressed appropriately for a day in the outdoors at this time of year with strong outdoor footwear, warm, fully waterproof outdoor clothing, warm hat and warm waterproof gloves. A small rucksack is recommended for carrying personal belongings. There is some outdoor clothing and footwear available for use in the school stores.

To give your child permission to participate in this activity please complete and return the attached consent form to [breadalbane@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:breadalbane@pkc.gov.uk) by Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch with Emma O'Shea via email [eoshea@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:eoshea@pkc.gov.uk)

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'JD', written over a horizontal line.

**Mr John Devine**  
**Head Teacher & Campus Leader**

