



John Devine M.A. (Hons); M.Ed; SQH  
Headteacher

**Breadalbane Academy**  
ABERFELDY PH15 2DU  
Tel 01887 822300 • Fax 01887 820464  
Email [breadalbane@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:breadalbane@pkc.gov.uk)  
Website [www.breadalbane.pkc.sch.uk](http://www.breadalbane.pkc.sch.uk)

Dear Parent/Carer

Planning for next year has proved challenging year due to several factors, including year group size and staff work patterns. We still have some vacancies to fill and, in some cases, the actual days that staff teach classes need to be finalised – if this affects your child you will be informed in due course.

Our class structure and teacher allocation for next session is:

Nursery	Mrs L Hunter (3 days)
Primary 1/2	Mrs J Thomson (Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri) and Mrs K Forsyth (Wed)
Primary 2	Miss J Lewis
Primary 3	Mrs N Ferguson
Primary 4	Mr J Liney
Primary 5	Mrs A Seward (3 days) and Mrs A McLaren (2 days)
Primary 6	Miss E Ickeringill
Primary 7	Mrs M Grant
GME P1-3	Mr D Poole
GME P4-7	Mrs M Morton (3 ½ days) and Mrs M Menzies (1 ½ days)
Sky Room	Vacancy

It is important that pupils in composite classes are able to maintain and further develop relationships with their own year groups. This year, this has happened in a variety of ways such as sitting in years groups in the dining centre, attending sports workshops and assemblies in year groups and spending time together in playgrounds. Other curricular year group work includes some health and wellbeing lessons and STEM opportunities.

Reduced Class Contact Time throughout the primary will be delivered by Mrs L Hunter (1 day), Mr I Barr (1 ½ days), Mrs A McLaren (1 day) and there is a 1 ½ day vacancy to be filled. Miss K Wallace, Acting Depute Headteacher, continues to have a remit of overseeing nursery as well as support for nursery and primary pupils.



Unfortunately Mrs Peters is resigning as Sky Room teacher at the end of term. The Inclusion Team are working with us to appoint a new teacher. Mrs Peters has been a valuable asset to the school and we hope to see her back on a supply basis next session.

Our Primary Pupil Support Teacher Mrs Morton has spent the last year training to become a Gaelic Medium Teacher. Mrs Morton takes up this post on a permanent basis next week and will be teaching P4-7 alongside the current Gaelic staff. Mrs Menzies is returning from maternity leave next session 3 days per week. As part of the additional Gaelic teacher capacity being provided by the council, we still have a 2 day a week GME teacher vacancy.

While Mrs Morton has been seconded for training, her Pupil Support Teacher role was filled by Mrs Munro and then Mrs McLaren. Mrs McLaren is continuing this role for the remainder of term. The Inclusion Team are responsible for the PSTs and are working to allocate someone from next session.

In structuring the classes each session, we follow the guidance set by Perth and Kinross Council. As you may know this means we normally separate all the children in a year group into class groups based on their date of birth. Further information on the structuring of classes can be found on the council website: [Structuring of classes in primary school - Perth & Kinross Council \(pkc.gov.uk\)](http://pkc.gov.uk)

The classes have been structured considering the pupils we currently have on our roll and those confirmed to be joining us next session. This does mean that should we have a number of pupils join us unexpectedly we may need to restructure the classes. In the event of this happening, we will notify you as soon as possible.

To support the transition process there are a number of opportunities taking place this week, including all pupils moving up to work in their new classrooms with their new teachers for part of Thursday morning.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss this or have any concerns.

Yours sincerely

*V.L. Marshall*

**Mrs V Marshall**  
**DHT Primary**