



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our new school year at Auchencairn. It is lovely to see the children back full of enthusiasm and energy and great to welcome some new faces into the Auchencairn school family. Please do feel free to come and speak to school staff if you have any queries or questions. Our clerical assistant is in school every morning and can arrange a time to talk to myself or the teachers. Please do only access the school through the front door as this makes it easier for us to know who is in the building and to keep our children safe.

Best wishes,
Mrs Jarvis

Uniform:

Just a reminder that all children should have a **named** school sweatshirt or cardigan, dark uniform trousers and a yellow polo shirt. There are a few school tops available in school for a donation but new uniform can be purchased online from <https://www.brigade.uk.com/> Children should also bring a pair of both indoor (ideally black) and outdoor shoes for school – **this does not include slippers or crocs. No make-up please or earrings other than studs for safety reasons.**

New school PE top:

The school has been able to purchase PE tops that our children can wear during PE and other activities/trips with school. They are bright yellow and include our school logo and values. Every child has been given one in order that all children feel included. This was a one off purchase for the school so we ask that they are please looked after and taken home to be washed on a regular basis. Once a child has outgrown their t-shirt we have bigger sizes available and their smaller one will be recycled.

Flu Vaccination:

The winter flu vaccination will be taking place in school on Thursday 26th September.

Bikeability:

The P6 and P7 pupils will be starting their Bikeability training this term. The dates are the 27th September and the 4th October.

Staffing:

We had some changes to our teaching team at the end of the last school year and we would like to welcome two new members of staff; Sally Holman in P4/7 and Lindsay Pringle as our new learning assistant. Miss Nichol will also be joining us every Friday.

Just as a reminder; the classes are as follows:

P1-4 – Miss Ross teaching Monday / Mrs Styles teaching Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

P4-7 – Miss Holman teaching Monday and Tuesday / Mrs McCall teaching Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

We have a student teacher, Miss Cull, who will be working in our P1-4 class.

New pupils:

We'd like to say a massive welcome to our two new P1's, Odin and Gabriel. We are also pleased to welcome Stephen to P5 and Chloe to P7.

UPCOMING DATES:

Wednesday 18th September – School week drop in at Kirkcudbright Academy 4:30 – 7:00

Wednesday 18th September – TAG Rugby P4/5 @ Stewartry Rugby Club

Monday 23rd September – Balcary Bay Visit (Coastal Climate Change) P4-7

Thursday 26th September – Flu Vaccinations

Monday 7th October – Operation Safety P7

Monday 7th October – Harvest Festival – All welcome.

LOOKING AHEAD:

Thursday 31st October – School Halloween Parties

Monday 4th November – Parent Council Meeting

Monday 16th December – School Christmas carol show – Village Hall

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

Sunday 8th December – Christmas carol service @ Auchencairn Church. Time: TBC - All welcome.

Parent Council:

The next Parent Council meeting is on the 4th November. All are welcome. It is a great chance to hear what is going on and to get involved.



