



Cross Arthurlie Primary School and Nursery Class
August Newsletter
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Dear families,

I hope everyone is having good break and managed to enjoy the good weather over the summer holidays.

I know that following the First Minister's announcement you will be wondering what plans we have in Cross Arthurlie to ensure that we are in line with government advice. Advice from NHS around testing and isolation is attached.

Starting and finishing times

I am pleased to confirm that from Wednesday 18th August we will be able to return to a 9am start and 3pm finish. Having staggered breaks and lunchtimes had a significant impact on the timetabling of learning and teaching so we are looking forward to returning to our usual school hours.

In school

For the first six weeks we will be maintaining many of the other mitigations previously in place. Staff will continue to wear face coverings in communal spaces and maintain 1m distancing. Regular handwashing will and enhanced ventilation continue and children will continue to learn outdoors as much as possible.

At the gates

Parents will still be able to enter the playground at the end of the school day but not in the mornings and unfortunately parents will not be able to come into the school building. If you are coming into the school grounds please maintain 1m distancing and wear a face covering.

Please be don't cause congestion at the school gates, especially in the infant. This can become very stressful for some children and we are keen that as P1 and 2 will now be sharing their playground this is as stress-free a process as possible.

Nursery drop off/pick up

For the first six weeks at least we will continue to have nursery children picked up and dropped off at the door. Please wear a face covering and maintain 1m distancing. We have a number of new children and staff starting nursery in the next few weeks as the nursery increases its numbers to almost full capacity.

Free Meals

From August in addition to P1-3 all nursery and P4 children will now be entitled to Free School meals. The menu for P1-7 is available here <https://www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/primary-menu>

Yours truly

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Fiona MacDonald'.

Mrs Fiona MacDonald
Head Teacher