

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

I'd like to welcome everyone back after the summer break. It has been a positive start to the new session with 49 new P1 pupils settling well into class and the rest of the pupils all back smiling and raring to go. This newsletter includes up and coming events for September, please print or retain a copy for your records.

STAFFING

We welcome a number of new teachers to the school: Miss Fiona Nisbet (P1a), Miss Mikaela Anderson (P2), Mrs Erin Ross (P2/3) and Miss Ruth Maclean (P6). Mrs Francesca Moyes Feeney has joined our Support Staff team and is currently working in P1b.

Due to changes in Support Staff allocation Mrs Evelyn Ryan and Mrs Susanne Causer took up alternative posts after the summer break. Mrs Noble and Mrs McDonald have gone off to have their babies, both are well, and we're looking forward to two special deliveries.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

6-7pm, Thursday 31 August

MEET THE TEACHER

You're welcome to come along and meet your child's teacher for an informal chat, see your child's classroom, where they sit, etc. This is not a one-to-one opportunity to discuss your child's progress, it's merely to allow you to put a face to a name with your child's class teacher and seek assurance that they are settled into their new class. As always, if there's anything you wish to discuss, please contact the school and make an appointment.

Week Beginning 4 September

P7 KILBOWIE TRIP

P7 visit Kilbowie Outdoor Centre in Oban accompanied by Mrs McIntyre, Miss Wallace and Miss Emma O'Neil.

7 September

Childsmile will be in school. Details will follow for relevant classes.

12 September

Colorfoto will be in school to take group and individual photos, again more details will follow.

6.30pm, 12 September, Chryston Parish Church

PARENT COUNCIL MEETING

First PC meeting of the year (and a new venue). Anyone who wishes to attend is very welcome.

Friday 22 - Monday 25 September

SEPTEMBER WEEKEND HOLIDAY

Pupils return to school on Tuesday 26th.

Thursday 28 September

HEALTHY FAMILIES CLUB

Healthy Families After-School Club starts. Details of this and other After-School Clubs will follow.

PLAYGROUND

The children are now settled into their new classes and playgrounds and I ask that you again revert back to arrangements from last year re drop off and collection of children.

Pupils in P2-7 should be dropped off and left in the playground where there is adult supervision from 8.40am. Any parents wishing to wait until the bell rings should either wait on the pavement at the back gate on Pentland Road or, where it is felt necessary, on the path leading from Pentland Road to the playground. Please do not stand in the playground area.

At the end of the school day pupils leaving from the Pentland Road gate can be collected on the path or at the back gate. Pupils leaving from the front gate in P2-7 can be collected at the painted dots at the front of the school in the designated area provided.

Pupils have been reminded at assemblies about coming back into the school if there is no one to collect them. Staff remain at the exits after the bell to catch any children who find themselves in this position and a member of the Senior Management Team is at the front gate.

I continue to liaise with NLC about the tarmacked area adjacent to the new huts. I'm assured that the necessary funds are available but that there seems to be some problem retaining a contractor. I assure you that I'll continue to pursue this.

3 O' CLOCK ARRANGEMENTS

The school roll has increased this year and we have slightly fewer staff. May I ask that you ensure your child knows the arrangements for collection at the end of the school day and that you contact the school by phone before two o'clock if alternative arrangements have to be made? The school is very busy from about 2.45 with pupils returning to classes from various pursuits and bus and After-School Club children getting organised.

Last minute phone calls to change arrangements, although sometimes unavoidable, can cause delay in the bus children leaving and can, at times, cause confusion with both the children and staff about where they have to go. This is about ensuring the safety of your children and I ask that, as far as possible, you adhere to these guidelines.

CONTACT DETAILS

It is of paramount importance that we are able to contact you in an emergency. Please ensure that we have the most up-to-date information and phone numbers. If you change your number or your phone is broken, please ensure that you provide us with an alternative number so that we are able to reach you if we need to.

COMING SOON...

Look for the October/November newsletter week beginning 2nd October in your inbox.