

## WELCOME BACK

Dear Parents/Carers, it is lovely to welcome you all back to a new term and I hope that you all enjoyed a restful break with your families during the Christmas holidays. Please take a few minutes to read this newsletter and make some notes in your diaries.

## ENROLMENT

The school has once again undergone the enrolment process. Our new P1 intake is currently 44 but this may rise depending on Placing Requests and any new families moving into the area. At the very least, we will be running with two Primary 1 classes next year.

## AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS

There will be a number of After-School Clubs running this term. These include Cross Country, Badminton, Rugby, Fundamentals, Quest Club, Choir, Tennis, Art and Dance. Further information will be sent out in due course.

## STAFFING

**Mrs Bokas** will be leaving to take up post as Depute Head Teacher at Muiredge Primary in South Lanarkshire on 3rd February. We wish her well in her new post – she will be missed. The Principal Teacher vacancy has been advertised but I do not expect to appoint and have the new PT in post before the end of April/beginning of May as there is usually a notice period for the successful candidate to work. In the meantime, we are joined by **Mrs Frida Hashmi** who is currently teaching in P3 to support teacher numbers in line with the school roll. **Evelyn Ryan** has joined us as a Classroom Assistant to replace **Una Hadden**. **Suzanne Causer** has also joined the staff team as Additional Support Needs Assistant. We also bid a fond farewell to **Mrs Brenda McRae**, Clerical Assistant, who has accepted early retirement and will leave us at the Easter break.

## P5-7 HEALTH AND WELLBEING SURVEY

All pupils were issued with information on a SCOTCEN Health and Wellbeing Survey. If you wish to opt out of this survey, you must return the tear-off slip to the school by Monday 6th February. Non-returns will be taken as compliance for your child to take part.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Tuesday 7th Feb.:** Parent Council Meeting. 6.30 - 8.30pm. All welcome.

**February Mid-Term break:** The school will be closed on Monday 13th and Tuesday 14th February. Wednesday 15th February is a staff inservice day and pupils will also be on holiday on that date. Pupils return to school at 8.50am on Thursday 16th February.

**Friday 17th Feb.:** Cross country competition in Ravenswood for children in the running club.

**Thursday 9th March:** New P1 Parent Induction Evening. Only parents of P1 pupils who will start school in August 2017 should attend.

**Thursday 16th March:** Parents' Evening. In a change to the original date of the 24th March, (as P7 pupils and teachers will be in Kilbowie) the Spring Parents' Evening will now take place on Thursday 16th.

**Friday 17th March:** Red Nose Day.

**Monday 20th - Friday 25th March:** P7 pupils visit Kilbowie Outdoor Centre in Oban for a week of outdoor activities.

**Monday 27th March:** P4 visit to Stirling Castle.

**Thursday 30th March:** Easter Service at Chryston Parish Church, 11am. All welcome.

**Thursday 30th March:** Spring Disco.

**Friday 31st March:** School closes for Spring Break at 2.30pm and re-opens on Tuesday 18th April at 8.50am.

Please remember to keep an eye on your inbox, our blog, Twitter account and your child's diary for stickers and communications as we have now gone paperless. Again, should any of you require a paper copy we are more than happy to provide it, just let us know.

Kind regards,  
**Audrey Burke, Head Teacher**