 Dunrobin Primary

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| WELCOME BACK Welcome back to the new school session. The children are a credit to you and they are all looking very smart in their uniforms. As ever, there are a few pieces of paperwork that we require completed for each child – Annual data check form, photographic consent, ICT acceptable use and Food and Health consent. This will help us have the most up to date information for your child.  Please return to school as soon as possible when these are issued over the coming week.  As well as myself being new to Dunrobin, I’d like to welcome Emma Gibson who is going to be taking P1B this year and Emma Montgomery who will be in most classes on a weekly basis allowing for non-class contact time to be given to teaching staff.  Having worked alongside the Dunrobin team of teachers, office and classroom support staff, janitorial staff and catering staff, it is evident there’s a great team here to support your children. | Classes at Dunrobin for session 2018/19 are as follows:  **P1A** and **Principal teacher** –  L McLuskey  **P1B** - E Gibson  **P2** – N Coleman/ J Striker  **P3/2** – K Waugh  **P3** – M Armstrong  **P4** – L Reid/ A Arbuckle  **P5** – N Watters/ S Hall  **P6/5** – V McLaughlin  **P6** – K Tindell  **P7A** – L Drummond  **P7B** – D McIntyre  **Acting headteacher –**Linda Mcintyre  **Acting Depute headteacher –**  Yvonne Callander CAR Park We have monitored the car park over the first two days and Morgan Sindall have now reopened the old out gate – teaching staffer to remove earrings interim parent council for the new school.d'Mrs Callander or Mrs Mcintyre. In these instancgiving us back our one way in and out system. I will be meeting with them this week regarding other matters. There will be changes to our existing Dunrobin practices throughout the year whilst building work is taking place. | BREAKFAST CLUB changes Breakfast club starts at 8.15am. Please do not send your children earlier as there will be no supervision and the safety of your children could be at risk.  From speaking to several parents, it has come to my attention that the breakfast club letter written in June possibly did not make it into school bags. I can only apologise for this – it was definitely not the school’s intention.  New daily prices for breakfast club are as follows –  **£1 per child per day;**  **£1.50 in total for 2 family members**  **£1.80 in total for 3 members of the one family**  Money for family will be taken from eldest child’s cardI do know that this is an increase in the previous cost to our pupils, but this is a decision that has been made at council level.  Please note – All pupils, including P1-3 pupils, will be charged for breakfast unless parents have application for free meal entitlement granted.  . |
| Joint working with PETERSBURN We are currently working alongside the team at Petersburn and some external agencies regarding joint projects for our children – Box Soccer for infants and a samba music initiative. Dates and classes taking part are still to be confirmed and this should happen quite soon.  Staff from both schools have already worked together on joint planning for our pupils this session and last Wednesday we spent the day training together P.E. times As the joint working requires use of the hall and the finer details of the projects have yet to be decided, we cannot confirm the PE timetable right now. Please bear with us whilst this is decided upon**. In the meantime, can you send your children in with their P.E kits in their bags on a daily basis.**  P.E kit comprises of –   * Joggers or shorts * T shirt * Gym shoes or trainers   Please remember that, as per council policy, no jewellery or football colours are permitted. This includes the wearing of earrings. | MOBILE PHONES We recognise that mobile phones are part of everyday life for some children. However, we also recognise that they can become a distraction. At Dunrobin we are continuing with the following agreed policy from previous sessions –   * No child is permitted to have their phones at school or on school outings * In the rare event that a parent wishes their child to have a phone at school, the parent must discuss this with Mrs Callander or Mrs Mcintyre. In these instances phones will be handed in and switched off during school hours   Parental Engagement  Primary One parents/carers are invited to a Learn Together session with their children on the morning of . 19th September. A letter will come out with more information from P1 staff nearer the time.  For Primaries 2 – 7 , there will be an opportunity for parents/carers to meet their teacher on 19th September between 3pm and 4pm. This is a drop in session for anyone that would like to see their child’s classroom and meet the class teacher.. | PARENT COUNCIL AGM will take place at 6.30 pm on 3rd of September  We look forward to seeing you there.  DINNER CARD TOP UPs  We are currently looking at how we can issue parents with the information they need to make online topups to their child’s dinner card. As soon as we have this information, we will get it to you.  In the meantime, cash can be added to the cards by the children in the dinner hall using the machine installed there.  ABSENCE  Please contact the school if your child is going to be absent from school.  If we do not hear anything from you, we will send a text asking you to contact us confirming the reason for your child’s absence.  It is important that children attend their school regularly when fit to do so. Poor attendance can often have a negative impact on friendships as well as learning.  Please note -  A ‘Dates for your diary’ letter will be issued shortly. This should include assemblies and PE days once confirmed. |