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Dear Parents/ Carers,

Staff News

Mr Johnston who currently teaches Primary Seven has a new post at Moncrieff Primary School. I would like to thank him for his hard work and his contribution here at Dunbarney and wish him luck in his new post. I will contact Primary Seven parents directly with further information about Mr Johnston's replacement.

Meet the Teacher Event

We are delighted to be able to welcome parents/carers into school again and have scheduled a Meet the Teacher Evening for Monday 5th September 2022. The event will start at 6.30pm with a short presentation by each class teacher. The presentation will be repeated at 7pm so that parents/carers can attend more than one class.

Parent Council AGM

The Parent Council AGM will take place in school on Monday 5th September at 7.30 pm after the Meet the Teacher Event.

Strictly Kids Dance Event.

One of our Primary Five pupils, Jessica, is taking part in a Strictly Kids Dance Competition. As part of this the school is eligible to have some sessions with a professional dance instructor. The dance instructor is coming to Dunbarney next Thursday the 8th September and will work with children in all classes from P1 to P7. The Strictly Kids organisation does not ask for payment for these sessions but that we donate to the charity that they support. Donations can be made via Parentpay.

Please follow the link for more information about Strictly Kids and the charity they support.

<https://www.facebook.com/StrictlyKidsScotland/>

School Improvement Priorities

Each year schools identify areas where they would like to improve. Information about our school improvement priorities is shared via our school website. One of our areas of focus this session is building resilience in children using the "Bounce Back" Approach. This term we are focussing on the acronym BOUNCE in class and in Assemblies. Please find more information about this approach by following this link.

<https://www.pearson.com/en-nz/educator/primary/bounce-back/resilience-resources/#videos>

I have also sent some information about Bounce Back home in paper format.

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Home School Communication

We use the Seesaw app to share children's learning in class and homework activities. Seesaw have introduced an update which means that families no longer need to download two apps. I searched online to see what steps families need to take to access the new version. Please click on the link for further information.

<https://help.seesaw.me/hc/en-us/articles/7602988781453-One-Seesaw-App>

Parents/carers should use Seesaw to see their child's learning in school and pupils should use it to complete and upload homework. Any other communication such as informing school of an absence or if you have a concern about your child's progress or welfare should be shared with school by using the dunbarney@pkc.gov.uk email account.

Flu Immunisation Permissions

Please return your flu immunisation permissions on Monday 5 September as they are being collected by NHS Scotland next week.

Industrial Action Update from PKC

A letter from PKC is attached about Industrial Action.

General Reminders

- Children can bring Pokémon cards to school on Fridays.
- Dogs are not permitted in the playground.
- PE Uniform is dark coloured bottoms, shorts, joggies or leggings, worn with or T shirt that is white or house colour. School sweatshirts should be worn on top.
- Please put names on all items of property that your child brings to school.
- All children should arrive at school to be in line at 9am.

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