



Bishopton Primary School

Newsletter August 2017

Dear Parent, Carer,

Welcome to the new session in Bishopton Primary. I hope you have all had a relaxing summer and are refreshed for the year ahead.

We are into our second week and all pupils have settled well. Staff have an exciting programme of work planned for this term and we look forward to sharing this with you via the class blogs.

Staffing

This session we have welcomed a number of new staff in to the school. Miss Cameron, Miss Bachell, Miss Cuthill and Mr Donaldson have all joined the staff and we are delighted to have them. Mr Collins has taken up the permanent role of DHT P1-3.

Mrs Nugent has returned from her secondment and Mrs MacKenzie has returned from her career break. Miss Grant and Mrs Polonis are continuing their career breaks this session.

Primary 1

Primary 1 have only been in school for a very short time.

They have all settled very well and we look forward to watching them develop in the coming months. They will be visiting all areas of the school so that they become confident moving around the building.

We are all very proud of their excellent progress so far.

As they settle into school routine we would encourage parents to take a step back in the playground and allow them to line up independently. This helps to avoid congestion in the lines. Similarly, at the end of the day if parents stand back from the doors it allows the teachers to see all the adults and ensure that no child is released until an appropriate adult is present.

Clubs

As in previous years we will have a number of clubs running within the school. These will take place before school, at lunchtime and after school. We will have a mix of sporting clubs, chess club and computer code club. These clubs are run by Active Schools, school staff members and volunteers. Initially we will offer clubs for P2-7 but will be including P1 in the coming months. If you have a skill, some time to spare and would like to run a club please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Educational Visits

We like to enhance the pupils' learning experiences in school by offering a wide range of educational visits. These enhance the topics that are being covered in class. Each visit is subsidised by the school but unfortunately due to the rising costs of transport it

is not always possible to keep the cost per pupil under £6 as had been done in the past. We will strive to give parents as much notice as possible of upcoming visits. If you wish to discuss this matter please call the office and make an appointment to see myself.

Wider Achievements

At our weekly Wednesday assemblies we enjoy celebrating the successes of our pupils out with school. Please encourage your child to make us aware of their success so that they can get the recognition they deserve for all their hard work. Alternatively, you can download the certificate from our website and send it in with your child or hand it in to the class teacher or school office.

Parking

A reminder to park with the safety of our pupils in mind and with consideration for our neighbours.

The car park and Grove entrances are vehicle access only and for their own safety pupils should not be taken in or out of these entrances. Pupils should use the main entrance on Old Greenock Road or the path at the side of the school.

As a rising number of our pupils are bussed to school please ensure