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Dear Parent/Carer

What a great first day back at school. Thank you for all your support in preparing the children for their return to school. All our new pupils are settling in well and are already showing how well they are adapting to school routines. A big thank you to our Primary 7 buddies who are supporting our primary 1 children. Well done, everyone.

Uniform

The children are looking so smart in their school uniform, it is lovely to see. Could I please ask that all school items are clearly labelled with your child's name. We kindly ask that **all** items are labelled so that we can return the clothing to the correct owner.

PE Days

Please see below PE days for each class. Children will change for PE. Our PE uniform is a white t-shirt/ polo shirt and dark coloured shorts. We ask that the children bring sandshoes for PE on these days.

Class	PE Days
P1	Monday and Wednesday
P2	Monday and Wednesday
P3/2	Monday and Wednesday
P4	Monday and Friday
P5	Monday and Wednesday
P6	Monday and Wednesday
P7	Wednesday and Friday

Class Dojo

Class dojo is used across the school to share messages from your child's class teacher and share photographs of your child's learning. If you do not have access to this, could we ask that you contact our school office and we will arrange to support you in gaining access to class dojo.

Wider Achievement

Now that covid restrictions have eased, many of your children will be back at clubs we ask that your child shares their achievements with us. So any progress made at dancing, judo or Brownies etc, we ask that this is shared with the school to allow us celebrate their success at assembly.

Director of Children's Services: Steven Quinn



Allergies

We have some children in the school with allergies including a nut allergy.

Could I please ask that no foods containing nuts are brought into school. This would include bars and spreads with nuts. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Staff Update

As you are aware we currently have some staffing changes. I am delighted to be here as permanent Head Teacher of Cochrane Castle. We also welcome Mrs Wishart our new Acting Depute Head Teacher. We have really enjoyed meeting our children and look forward to meeting all our families over the coming weeks. Miss Elaine Cunningham will be the P2 teacher. This is a change to arrangements that were shared previously. Due to staff absence we have a temporary teacher Mrs Lamont who will cover Non- class contact. Again, we are very pleased to welcome Mrs Lamont to the staff. I will continue to update you of any staffing changes in the school. All our new staff are delighted to be part of Cochrane Castle Community.

Meet the Teacher

We would love to invite our parents into class for a Meet the Teacher Visit. At these sessions, the teachers may tell you a little about the work in class and our children will show their learning.

The date for the visits is as follows:

Tuesday 6th September	P1 – P7 (All classes)
2.00 pm to 2.30 pm	Surnames A – M
2.30 pm to 3.00 pm	Surnames Mc - Z

I look forward to sharing dates for the whole year so that you can arrange your diaries and look forward to meeting you all.

School Twitter Feed

We will be using our school twitter feed regularly with pictures of what is happening in the school. We ask that you complete all the media consents to allow this happen. Our school twitter details are [@Cochrane_Castle](https://twitter.com/Cochrane_Castle).

As always if you have any questions regarding this newsletter or indeed any aspect of your child's education please do not hesitate to contact the school office

Yours faithfully

Michelle Ferguson
Head Teacher

Director of Children's Services: Steven Quinn