



Hi everyone,

We hope your child enjoyed their first week of the new session. It was great to see everyone and to start learning and having fun together. Please take a few minutes to read over some important pieces of information. If you would like to speak to a member of staff, please contact the school office on 0300 300 1481 or email [dargavelenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk](mailto:dargavelenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk)

Have a lovely weekend.

Gerry Carlton

### Medication

If your child requires medication or an inhaler please contact the school office. You will be required to complete paperwork and to hand the medication into the school office.

### Label Items

Please remember to label items of uniform, school bags and lunch boxes/ bags with your child's name and class. There are a number of children with the same lunch boxes and it can create some confusion in the lunch hall.

### Seesaw & Social Media Permissions

We are very excited to continue using Seesaw as our main channel for communication and sharing learning. To help us get set up we will be sending out a parental consent form next week. Please return this to the school as soon as possible.

To allow staff to post photographs on our various communication channels, a social media permission form must be completed. This will also be sent out early next week and should be returned as soon as possible.

### Homework

The focus this week was for the pupils and staff to build relationships and to become comfortable with the new routines of school.

Formal homework will start to be issued week beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> August.

### Nut Free

We have a number of children with a nut allergy and we therefore ask for no nuts or products containing nuts to be brought into the school.

We also request that birthday cakes/ treats are not sent in with children to share with the class. It is a lovely gesture, however, many of these products contain traces of nuts.

Thank you for your cooperation.

### PE Days

The PE days for each class are:

Primary 1A & 1B: Monday and Tuesday

Primary 1C & 1D: Monday and Wednesday

Primary 1E: Wednesday & Friday

Primary 2A: Monday & Wednesday

Primary 2B & 2C: Tuesday & Thursday

Primary 2D: Tuesday & Friday

Primary 3A & 3B: Thursday & Friday

Primary 4A & 4B: Monday & Tuesday

Primary 5A & 5B: Wednesday and Friday

Primary 6A & 6B: Monday and Thursday

Primary 7: Tuesday & Thursday

Children can wear relaxed uniform on their PE days.

## Meet the Teacher – Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September

Thank you to the 220 parents who completed the Meet the Teacher consultation. 76% opted for a face-to-face format. We will therefore be offering 2 different session times; 3.15pm – 4pm and 4.15pm – 5pm. For those unable to attend either session, we will send out the teachers' presentations which will contain all information discussed at the event.

Further details, including how to sign up will be sent out next week.

## School Values

Our school values are central to the inclusive and nurturing ethos that we promote at Dargavel. During Friday's assembly we taught the children the British Sign Language sign for KINDNESS, RESPECT, ACCEPTANCE and GROWTH. Please speak to your child about the values and perhaps learn the sign for these words. The links below will help you.

KINDNESS - <https://www.signbsl.com/sign/kind> (video 2)

RESPECT - <https://www.signbsl.com/sign/respect>

ACCEPTANCE - <https://www.signbsl.com/sign/accept>

GROWTH - <https://www.signbsl.com/sign/grow> (video 2)

## Drop Off & Pick Up routines

Thank you for being patient with any changes we make to the drop off and pick up routine. There are always teething problems at the start of term and we are hoping that the new routine will make for a smoother transition both in the morning and the afternoon. The changes are:

- Primary 1A, 1B, 1C & 1D will now line up at their entrance door at 8.50am. The class teachers will collect the lines and accompany the children into the cloakrooms.
- Primary 1A & B will continue to exit the school from the classroom doors (at 2.50pm). Primary 1C & 1D will exit out of the door they use to enter the school in the morning.
- Primary 1E arrangements are not changing; they will continue to use their classroom for both entering and exiting the school.
- Primary 2D will exit the school through their cloakroom door (the same door they use in the morning to enter the school).
- Primary 3A and 3B will enter and exit using their classroom doors.
- There are no changes to Primary 4-7 arrangements.

Thank you once again for your patience with these changes.

## Parking

Please be mindful and considerate of where you park if you collect your child from school. We have received a few phone calls from local residents raising concerns about double parking and not leaving space for emergency vehicles to access specific roads. Thank you for your cooperation.



Kindness



Respect



Acceptance



Growth