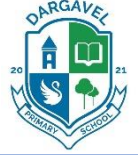


# Dargavel Primary School



## Newsletter – 20<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Hi everyone,

Welcome to the first newsletter of 2023. Please take a few minutes to read over what is coming up over the next couple of weeks. As always, 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 – Head Teacher

### Staffing Update

There are a number of staffing changes this term. Mrs Farrell has taken up post of Acting DHT (P1-3) and Mrs Murdoch as Acting Principal Teacher. Mrs Allan will take on Mrs Farrell's teaching commitment in P2. Mrs Murdoch's class commitment will not change.

Mr Galloway, P4C teacher, is going off on extended paternity leave from 27<sup>th</sup> January – end of May. Miss Dunlop will teach P4C from Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January. Miss Dunlop has been team teaching with Mr Galloway over the past couple of weeks so that she gets to know the children in P4C.

### Health Week

After the success of last session's Health Week, we have planned a Health Week for 6<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> February. Children will have the opportunity to experience a range of sports and the entire week will focus on the pupils' physical and mental wellbeing. To keep our children active, we are delighted to have sessions from Bishopton Rugby club, Strathgryffe Tennis, Twist and Cheer, Judo and St Mirren Football to name a few. To support pupils' mental wellbeing there will be visits from our Community Police, School Nurse team, Forest schools and there will be time to enjoy reading and mindfulness activities in class. Please ensure children are suitably dressed for outdoor sports activities every day that week and have their water bottles. If any parents or families wish to contribute to the week and share their skills, please get in touch with Louise Chisholm.

### Right of the Fortnight

As part of our work on the UNCRC (United Nations Conventions on the Rights of the Child), children will be learning about their rights and linking these rights to their learning. It is important for our whole school community to know about the UNCRC; we are therefore introducing Right of the Fortnight, where every two weeks, we will focus on an article (right). The first one is:



#### Article 28

Every child has the right to a quality education

THE UNITED NATIONS  
CONVENTION  
ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

Mrs Farrell sent out a Rights pupil survey on Seesaw, please encourage your child to complete this.

### Celtic Connections

Our P4-7 classes will be attending a Celtic Connections event over the next couple of weeks. If you have still to provide consent and make payment for the bus, please do so on Parent Pay. Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January is a proposed strike day. If no deal is reached before then, the P5 trip will not go ahead and parents/ carers will be refunded.



### Burns' Assembly

The classes will perform for each other at the Burns' Assembly on Wednesday afternoon. Keep a close eye on Seesaw and Twitter for recordings of the performances.



### Strike day

Please click on the link below to access a letter regarding the next strike day which is proposed for Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January.

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/19NxIkYrvMEVvpO1mET5W4mj\\_Pgmzg3Cl/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/19NxIkYrvMEVvpO1mET5W4mj_Pgmzg3Cl/view?usp=sharing)



### Have Your Say

If you would like to make a comment or suggestion about anything school related, please click on the link below. We always want to hear your views and act upon them where possible.

<https://forms.office.com/e/fev9tVpAxu>

### P1 Science Centre Trip

P1A, 1C & 1D will be attending their trip on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January. P1B & 1E will be attending on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February. Please check Seesaw for further details.

### Water Bottles

Can you please ensure your child comes to school with a water bottle? A lot of children are coming to the school office for cups of water and this results in missed learning time. Please also make sure your child's name is clearly labelled on the bottle. Thank you.

### February Weekend

Schools will be closed for the February weekend on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February. Staff return on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> for an Inservice Day and pupils return on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February.



Kindness



Respect



Acceptance



Growth