

# Dargavel Primary School

## Newsletter – 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024



Hi everyone,

It is wonderful that the lighter nights are upon us and that spring is on its way. It has been a busy term so far and we have some more things planned for over the next four weeks, so please take a few minutes to read the newsletter to keep up to date.

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)

### Health Week Success

The pupils and staff enjoyed a variety of different health related activities last week. Thank you to the volunteers who visited the school and the staff for sharing their expertise with the children. If you haven't already done so, please watch the Health Week video by clicking the link below:



[https://youtu.be/J44u9pHJN\\_c?si=vxOZ4ZNND5XwldOU](https://youtu.be/J44u9pHJN_c?si=vxOZ4ZNND5XwldOU)



### Parents' Portal

There are 229 families still to sign up to Parents Portal. It is important that all families create an account and if possible, download the Parents' Portal app. Eventually, this platform will be the main method of communication and it will also be used to sign up for Parents' Night appointments. Please click on the link below to access instructions on how to sign up. If you require any assistance please contact the school office on 0300 300 1481 or pop into the school and a member of staff will be happy to support.

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/re/dargavelprimaryschool/parents-portal/>



### Right of the Fortnight

#### Article 31

You have the right to play and relax by doing things  
like sports, music and drama

*This will be launched at Friday's assembly and discussed with children in classes.*



Kindness



Respect



Acceptance



Growth

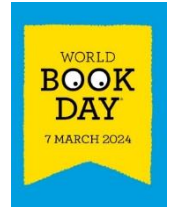
## World Book Day

World Book Day is celebrated on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March. At Dargavel, we will be doing a *Relax, Read and Share*, where children can come to school wearing clothes they feel relaxed in. They will have lots of opportunities throughout the day to read quietly, individually and with friends. We are also inviting children to bring in a book from home that they have read and would be happy to swap for another book from one of their classmates.

There are also various activities that families can participate in at home. The website Words for Life has lots of suggested activities.



<https://wordsforlife.org.uk/>



## Seesaw

Seesaw is the digital platform we use for sharing children's learning and their progress. It is also a useful tool for direct communication between teachers and families. It is important for parents/carers to check their Seesaw app regularly for notifications. This will allow you to 'like' and comment on images of your child's work and learning experiences.

If you are experiencing any issues with Seesaw, please let the school office know and Mrs Hood our Digital Technologies Co-ordinator will be in touch to provide support.



## Mailbox

The Parent Council mailbox is receiving emails from parents, local residents etc, some of which are of a sensitive and confidential nature. Can you please ensure the [dargavelenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk](mailto:dargavelenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk) mailbox is used for all school related queries.

## New School Consultation

As part of the new school consultation, the council have hosted various Information Sessions and a Public Meeting.

The second and final Public Meeting takes place on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March, 7pm – 9pm.

To book your slot, click on this link:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/new-dargavel-school-consultation-information-sessions-tickets-810047031477?aff=oddtcreator>

## Parking

The parking situation within the staff car park has improved over the past fortnight; thank you for your support with this.

We have, however, received some complaints regarding illegal parking on Arrochar Drive; double parking and parking on the zig zag restricted zones. Please be mindful of children's safety when parking close to the school. Thank you.