



Dargavel Primary School

Newsletter – 24th May 2024



Hi everyone,

It's been a busy couple of weeks at Dargavel Primary and we have a lot more to look forward to over the next 5 weeks. Please keep up to date with future events by reading our newsletter.

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

Have a great weekend.

Gerry Carlton

Frozen Success

A massive congratulations and well done to the pupils and staff in Primary 5 for putting on an outstanding version of Disney's Frozen. The singing, dancing and acting in all 3 performances was truly remarkable and as a school we are very proud of all of them. There is so much hard work and commitment from staff to put on such a show. Thank you to Mrs Campbell, Mrs Hood, Mr Parton and Mrs MacGregor for directing, producing and choreographing the show. Thank you also to Mrs MacDonald and the other members of staff who helped with the art work and make up etc. We are very fortunate to have such talented pupils and staff in Dargavel Primary. You will certainly all sleep well tonight.



Pupil Progress Meetings

It was great to see so many parents/ carers attend the Pupil Progress appointments. There was approximately 97% attendance across the school which is an excellent turnout.

We hope you found the discussion with your child's teacher beneficial. If you would like to discuss anything in more detail with a member of SLT, please contact the school office and we can arrange a suitable time to meet.

Some parents/ carers completed the Self- Evaluation Survey on the night, however, if you didn't get a chance to complete it, please click on the link below. The survey allows you to evaluate the school, which in turn provides us with information to identify improvement priorities for next session.

<https://forms.office.com/e/8apyNTpy9t>

P6 Safe Kids

Both P6 classes are attending the Safe Kids event at St Mirren FC on Thursday 6th June. They will leave at 12noon and return for 3pm. Pupils should bring a packed lunch. If they are entitled to a free school meal, please let the office know and the school kitchen will provide one.

Mrs McLaren

Mrs McLaren, P6a teacher will start her maternity leave on Friday 31st May. We wish her the best of luck and look forward to meeting the new baby.

Miss Skea will teach the P6a class for the remainder of the term. Miss Skea was a P3 teacher at Dargavel last session and we are delighted to have her back with us.



Sports Day takes place on Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th June 2024. We would love to invite families along to join in the fun. The table below indicates the time when you can watch your child participate in the competitive races.

Tuesday 11 th June	P1-3
9.10-10.20am	P2 classes participate in races in MUGA – families welcome
10.45am-12 noon	P1 classes participate in races in MUGA – families welcome
1.15-3pm	P3 classes participate in races in MUGA – families welcome

Wednesday 12 th June	P4-7
9.10-10.40am	P5 classes participate in races in MUGA – families welcome
10.55am-12 noon	P4 classes participate in races in MUGA – families welcome
1.00-3.00pm	P6/7 classes participate in races in MUGA – families welcome

Children should come to school in suitable clothing for Sports Day. They are welcome to wear a t-shirt in their house colour, however, this is not essential. Stags – yellow, Swans – blue, Otters -Green and Owls – Red. Please have a water bottle and apply sun cream to your child if the forecast is sunny.

Classes for August

We are currently working on creating the classes and the class structure for next session. Some classes will remain unchanged, however, some will need to change to due to the increase in maximum class sizes (P1 = 25, P2 & P3 = 30, P4-7 = 33).

When the classes are finalised, parents/ carers will be notified by letter. Please note, no changes will be made.

We will arrange a 'jump-up' session for your child to meet their new teacher and further transition activities will be planned to ensure your child is comfortable about moving into their new class.

Bishopton Day

The overall theme for this year's float parade is the 90s. Dargavel are going with a Toy Story and Brit Pop theme. If you have any Toy Story costumes/ props (child and adult size) and you don't mind lending them to the school for the day, please hand them in with your child or into the school office. If you have any dressing up costumes for characters such as the Spice Girls, Oasis etc, these would also come in handy.

As with the past two years, the choir will be singing on the float, however, we will also be looking for more children and parents to join us for the fun. We will be in touch nearer the time for volunteers.



Fun Day – Friday 21st June

To celebrate the end of the school session, we are hosting our annual Dargavel Fun Day on Friday 21st June. There will be a range of fun activities, stalls, inflatables etc. Classes will enjoy these on the morning of the 21st. Families are then invited into the school at 1pm to enjoy the fun. There will be an ice-cream van, hot dog stall and a coffee vendor.

We will communicate further information nearer the time.



Uniform Swap Shop



Following the success of last year's shop, our Eco Committee and Mrs Hendricks are setting up the uniform swap shop for during the Fun Day. Instructions below:

- We will be collecting used uniforms, but they must be in good condition, washed and names removed.
- We will only be collecting clothes for the stall for one week; From Mon 10th June until Friday 14th June, so get organised now! After this date, no more donations will be accepted. There will be boxes on each floor for children to put donations in, one at the middle staircase for the modular units and one in the foyer for parents/ carers.
- We will accept jumpers, sweatshirts, cardigans, jackets, pinafores, skirts and school dresses. No polo shirts or shirts unless brand new.

We hope you will come along and browse the shop on the Fun Day as it will save a lot of good quality clothes from going to landfill.

Bank Holiday: Monday 27th May (school closed)

Parent Council Meeting: Tuesday 28th May at 7pm in the school

P7 Induction Days at Park Mains: Thursday 30th May (PM only). Thursday 13th & Friday 14th June (all day)

P2 Trip to Finlaystone: Friday 31st May

P5 Trip to Tall Ship: Tuesday 4th June

P6 Trip to Safe Kids: Thursday 6th June

P3c & P3d Trip to Kelburn Country Park: Monday 10th June

Sports Days: Tuesday 11th & Wednesday 12th June

P1d, P1e & P1f Trip to Clyde Valley: Thursday 13th June

P3a & P3b Trip to Kelburn Country Park: Friday 14th June

Bishopton Day: Saturday 15th June

P4 Trip to Vikingar: Monday 17th June

P7 Residential: Monday 17th – Thursday 20th June

P1a, P1b & P1c Trip to Clyde Valley: Wednesday 19th June

Dargavel Fun Day (families welcome to attend from 1pm): Friday 21st June

House Reward Trip: TBC

P7 Leavers' Assembly (9.30am start) and Leavers' Dance (7pm start, photos from 6.30pm): Tuesday 25th June

School closes for holidays: Thursday 27th June at 1pm

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