



# Dargavel Primary School



## Newsletter – 11<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Hi everyone,

With only a couple of weeks to go until the end of term, things are getting very busy with different events. Please read over the newsletter to keep updated.

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 great long weekend.

Gerry Carlton

### Staffing Update

We are delighted to confirm that following a successful recruitment process, Mrs Emma Murdoch will be the new Dargavel DHT (temporary) from August. Mrs Murdoch will be replacing Mrs Chisholm, however, the DHT remits will be changing.

From August, Mrs Farrell will have responsibility for P1-3, Mrs Murdoch for P4 & P5 and Mrs Ferry for P6 & P7.

Please note these changes will take effect from August 2026.

### Classes for August 2026

The classes for next session have been created, however, we are waiting on staffing information from the Local Authority so are unable to share class/ teacher information at this time.

Due to the change in the class structure and maximum class sizes (P1 = 25, P2 & P3 = 30, P4-7 = 33), there will be changes to most classes. The classes have been created by all teaching staff and we have taken into account learning abilities and friendships.

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 feels confident about moving into their new class.

### Thank You!

Thank you for your generous donations over the past few weeks.

You have donated lots of bottles and chocolates which will be used for the tombola stalls at the Fun Day.

You also raised almost £600 for the Marathon charities: The Beatson, Social Bite and The Dogs Trust.

### Class Trips

P2 Trip to Summerlee – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June

P5 Trip to the Science Centre – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June

P4 Trip to the Science Centre – Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June

P6 will be attending Erskine Swimming Pool for their swimming lessons on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

### House Challenge

Children are invited to wear house colours for the end of term house challenge on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June. Please note this is a dress down day also.

## Rights Respecting School Success

Dargavel Primary were recently successful in obtaining their Silver Rights Respecting School Award. This means we are now recognised as a UNICEF UK Silver: Rights Aware School. The assessor provided the following feedback:

*Pupil voice is strong at Dargavel Primary, with every child supported to participate. Children have been involved in shaping the curriculum rationale, developing playground award systems and creating class and whole school charters. One child shared, "We are all able to join a group and we are listened to. It's one of our rights." Another said, "We have tons of committees... we asked for iPads, and we got them." The headteacher explained, "The school is 5 years old and from day one rights was central to our ethos... it's part of our language, our vision and values." Staff receive regular training and resources to ensure rights are threaded throughout the curriculum naturally. A parent shared, "They feel so safe and respected here. They feel the love in the school... learning about rights opens up everything they can do." Another added, "You can see the kindness shine through, even out into the community. The award is making a real difference."*

We are very proud of the children and how well they spoke about the school. Thank you to the parents who sat in on the parents' focus group.

A special thank you to Mrs Farrell and Miss McLaughlin for leading Rights across the school.

Shorts & Shades World Cup Disco – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June

Our final disco of the school session takes place on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June.

P1-3: 6.15pm – 7.15pm

P4-7: 7.30pm – 8.30pm

Children are invited to wear summer outfits or World Cup themed clothes.

Fun Day – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June

To celebrate the end of the school session, we are hosting our annual Dargavel Fun Day on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June. There will be a range of fun activities, stalls, inflatables etc. Classes will enjoy these on the morning of the 26<sup>th</sup>. Families are then invited into the school at 1.15pm to enjoy the fun. There will be an ice-cream van, hot dogs, cakes, sweets etc for sale.

We will communicate further information nearer the time.



## Additional Bank Holiday

The school is closed on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June for the additional Bank Holiday to celebrate Scotland's first game in the World Cup. School reopens as normal on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June.

## Last day of Term

The school closes at 1pm (12.50pm for P1-3) for summer on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June. Please note, it is a sandwich option only for school lunches on this day.

## Lost Property

We have a significant amount of lost property, including, jackets, jumpers, bottles etc. We will have these on display at the Fun Day for parents to collect items. Following this, all items will either be donated to charity or recycled.