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Children's Services

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Dear Parents

Welcome back to Inchinnan Primary School session 2019-20. I hope you all had a lovely summer break, and got many chances to enjoy some quality family time.

As previously stated in the letter sent out in June - Class structure for session 2019-20 is...

Classes

P1 – Mrs Hamill P4 – Miss Smith P7 – Miss Buchan
P2 – Mrs Derrick P5 – Mrs Retson NCCT cover – Mr Wilkie
P3 – Mr Johnston P6 – Mrs Smith SfL – Mrs Hunter

At Inchinnan Primary, we work very hard to ensure we have an open and strong partnership with parents. To help with this we would like to invite all parents to an open meeting with the class teachers on:

Wednesday 28th August 2019 -

P1 - 2.15pm

P2 - 4 from 3.15pm

P5 - 7 from 3.45pm

Each class teacher will explain various aspects of class and school life e.g. class rules, behaviour, expectations, homework, gym times, topics to be studied etc. There will be time at the end for any questions you may have.

Please find below some upcoming dates for the diary. More dates will follow

- Class Assemblies Parents of the class leading the assembly will be invited to attend.
 P7 20th September, P6 25th October, P5 -15th November, P4 14th February, P3 6th March, P2 29th April, P1 15th May (all starting at 9.45am, with tea/coffee available in school beforehand)
- P6 Swimming 11th, 18th & 25th September (more information to follow)
- Monday 30th September Maths week
- Friday 27th and Monday 30th September School closed
- Wednesday 20th November Parents Evening
- Friday 22nd November Whole school flu vaccinations

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As indicated at the end of last session, Renfrewshire Council are rolling-out the introduction of *parentsportal. scot* across all primary and secondary education establishments. Parentsportal. scot has been developed to create a digital relationship between parents, pupils and schools, replacing the traditional school bag run. This digital approach has been developed to improve the way in which schools engage with parents.

A parent can sign in using a single sign in approach (powered by the myaccount service), enabling them to view information about their child's education, school communication, pay for school meals and, in time, update their own data. The parentsportal scot will link to our cashless catering solution, ParentPay, using a single sign in approach. The parentsportal scot will provide a growing suite of online services that will be developed over a period of time.

Parentsportal. scot has been jointly developed by the Improvement Service (IS) and SEEMiS. At the heart of the system is a secure online account which links each parent/carer to their child and education.

The system will go live at Inchinnan Primary on Thursday 12th September 2019. From that day we can no longer accept cash payments of any kind within the school, it will all need to go through the online system.

I thank you in advance for supporting the necessary steps to allow us to make full use of this valuable resource to enhance engagement with parents.

Protecting Young People – Everyone's Responsibility

As this is the start of a new session with many new parents, I would like to take this opportunity to highlight some precautions we take to minimise possible risks when pupils are entering/exiting the school grounds:

- The narrow path leading to the front gate is kept clear to allow the safe flow of pedestrian traffic.
- Dogs should not be brought into the playground.
- The school car park is for staff or school visitor's use only. Parents should not drop off, collect or walk their children through this area.
- Scooters or bikes brought to school are **done so at the owners risk** and should not be ridden until exiting the playground.
- Please consider that when staff are bringing in pupil lines first thing in the morning this is not the best time to share information with the teacher as their priority is the supervision and teaching of pupils as soon as possible.

Your assistance with these matters is much appreciated.

As always, if you have any questions do not hesitate to contact me. Many thanks for your continued support, we are all looking forward to another very successful year.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Nicola McGlynn Head Teacher

