

# Inchinnan Primary School

Small school.... big aspirations

August 2024 Newsletter

Dear Parents and families



Welcome to the first newsletter of Session 2024-25. I hope you all had a lovely summer; albeit a distant memory for many of us now.

A special welcome to all our new Primary 1 pupils and families. The children have all settled and learning is well underway. Everyone at Inchinnan Primary is very excited about the year ahead and looking forward to offering a wide variety of learning opportunities to the whole learning community.

#### Uniform -

Children are looking very smart, many thanks for your support with full school uniform. We will be continuing to promote learning and being outdoors as much as possible, and as we are all too aware, Scottish weather can be very unpredictable, please ensure your child has suitable outdoor clothing to accommodate changing weather conditions.

If for any reason you are experiencing any difficulty funding school uniforms, including PE kits, please speak to us, as all schools have access to funding to assist families with this. All enquires will be treated discreetly and in the strictest confidence.

## Communication

At Inchinnan Primary, we endeavour to have an open and strong partnership with parents, based on the core school values especially mutual trust and respect. We continue to do all we can, to keep you informed and respond to enquiries as soon as possible.

As you will already be aware the Local Authority/Scottish Government has introduced a number of systems (ParentPay, Parentportal) to support accurate record keeping and in line with their green print strategy. Feedback from last year's parent survey also highlighted the challenges of finding information previously shared from the school through the seesaw app. Thus, going forward, information coming from the school will be shared through the 'Group Call' email system. This system will send an email to the first contact the school records hold. Emails have been sent out in the last week so if you have not received these please check your junk email and ensure the school record has the correct email address. We ask that parents continue to direct administration information, including notes of appointments, holidays, drop off and pick up arrangements directly through the office (phone or school email) to ensure information is seen and actioned asap. For the time being we will continue to use the Seesaw app to share children's work. Our website is regularly updated, so, please check to quickly confirm dates of main events, staff work patterns and gym days and especially our weekly additions of pupil awards.

It was wonderful welcoming so many parents for our 'Meet the Teacher' event. If you were unable to attend, then class teachers will post presentation onto Seesaw as soon as possible for your information. If you have any questions, you would like the teacher to answer, please contact the school office on 0300 300 0161 or email <a href="mailto:inchinnanenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk">inchinnanenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk</a>

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## School Improvement Plan

The school improvement plan continues to develop many aspects started in the last couple of years e.g. Renfrewshire's Nurturing Relationships Approach (RNRA), further exploration of the United Nation Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) and use of Child Inclusion Research into Curriculum Learning and Education (CIRCLE). However, the first half of the session will be on skills development, which we are undertaking as a whole cluster.

Our other improvement plan focus is around the development of raising attainment in literacy and numeracy – introducing new maths programmes of work and assessment from the local authority and a joint focus on skills development between Park Mains High School and all the linked primary schools.

The full Improvement Plan for session 2024-25 and the Standard and Quality Report for last session will be published on the school website by October.

Celebrating Success and Experiences outwith school - Please let us know of any awards / achievements / interesting experiences or opportunities that have been undertaken outside school, sending them to the school office or adding them to Seesaw, allowing us to celebrate and share them with peers

- -Ellie Kehoe (P3) has achieved her first badges at Girls Brigade
- -Skye Stevenson (P5) Achieved "Green" belt in kickboxing
- Charlotte Kirkhope (P5) Participated in Infusion Dance Show over 3 nights.
- Lilah Davis (P5) did 104 cartwheels in 10 minutes 7 seconds.
- Isla Black (P7) Awarded Bronze award for Dog training from Kennel club.
- -Rylee McAuley (P2) received a certificate for completing acro demonstration.
- -Lucas Thursby (P6) achieved golf handicap during Summer holiday (Recent par on the 12<sup>th</sup>)
- -Roman McPhee (P7) took part in first kickboxing tournament.
- -Eilidh Donnelly (P3) took part in Paisley 3K fun run and achieved medal award.
- -Ruby Macaulay (P3) Achieved Ballet, Tap and Street medals from dancing exams.

## Diary Dates -

Session 2024-25 - Term 1 - dates and gym days are also available on the school website.

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2<sup>nd</sup> September - Jungle Book production assembly.
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- 16th September- Flu Vaccinations PM
- 26<sup>th</sup> September Pupil Progress reports home
- 27th & 30th September School closed for September weekend.
- 11th October- Inservice staff only attend.
- 14th 18th School closed October week.
- 21st October- Staff & Pupils return to school.
- 28th November- Scottish Afternoon at Inchinnan Parish Church (more info to follow)
- 20th December- Nativity at Inchinnan Parish Church (more info to follow)
- 23rd December 3rd Jan School closed for Christmas break.
- 6th Jan- Staff & Pupils return to school.

We really do value your thoughts, opinions, and welcome comments you may have regarding any issues or concerns, no matter how small. Please feel free to email the school <a href="mailto:inchinnanenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk">inchinnanenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk</a> or, for a longer discussion, make an appointment through the school office on 0300 300 0161.

Kind regards

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