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Children's Services

Headteacher: Mrs Mhairi McDonald

Dear Parents/Carers, 19 June 2024

June Update

We have just a week left of school and I am sure that everyone is excited for the break. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support this year.

Classification

Today I spoke to all children about their new class teachers and that their class bases will look different next year. This is due to the numbers in each class next year, as currently we have a waiting list at a few stages. For the next week children will be in the class base where their current teacher will be next year to allow the teachers to set up their new class. Due to the few numbers coming into Primary 1 we will be compositing at this stage and those children's parents who currently are in Primary 1 and have been chosen to be in this class have already been informed.

As I am still waiting for final confirmation of staffing, I can give you the provisional plan for 2024/2025. Please note that this is always subject to change and can even do so into the month of September. We would, however, hope that our plan remains as it is so that we can prepare our children for the new school year and they can enjoy a smooth and seamless transition to their new class.

At present, our classification and bases are as follows:

Support Staff

Base 2 (Class 1) Primary 1/2 Vacancy (Monday-Wednesday) Mrs Rennie

Mrs. McDougall (Wednesday-Friday)

Base 2 (Class 2) Primary 2 Miss Gardener (Monday - Thursday) Mrs Paterson

Miss McAdam (Friday)

Base 2 (Class 3) Primary 3 Mrs. Coyle Mrs Paterson

Base 3 (Class 2) Primary 4 Mrs. Cryans Mrs Hayward

Base 1 (Class 2) Primary 5 Mrs. Gray Mrs Moran

Base 3 (Class 1) Primary 6 Mr. Reid Mrs Bright

Base 1 (Class 1) Primary 7 Mrs. Pirrie Mrs Moran

Our new Additional Support Needs Assistant, Mrs Holly Bright, will start in August, I am sure you will welcome her into our school community.

Mrs Wilson will begin her Maternity Leave in September and Miss McAdam will be covering this and she will be working in various classes across the school. Both Mrs Mclean and Mrs Hunter will remain on their Maternity leave. Mrs Ellis will continue to support children in Primaries 1 to 3, Ally will support through the school.

Thank You

We will be saying goodbye to Miss Fulton and Mr Murphy. We would like to thank them for the love and care they have shown to our children. Miss Fulton will be continuing her journey as a class teacher, and you never know she may return to us!! Mr Murphy has decided to take on a new position out with Education. Everyone at St Fergus' would like to say Good Luck in your new positions!

Parent Survey May 2024

Thank you to the 48 families who replied to this survey. Please click on the link below to view results and how the school will address any issues raised.

https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/re/stfergus/parents-2/you-said-we-did/

The winner of the gift voucher for leaving your name on this survey was:

Monika Wisniewska

Please come into the school office to claim your voucher.

Uniform Reminder

As you are already thinking about Uniform for next session, I would like to remind all parents/carers that our agreed school uniform is:

- Girls Grey Skirt/Trousers
- Boys Grey Trousers
- All Pupils Yellow Polo Shirt or White Shirt and School

Grey Jumper Sweatshirt or Cardigan

Please remember that Black or Tartan are not part of our uniform. Please let the school office know if any retailer is selling items of clothing with the school badge that is not on our agreed list. Thank you for your support with this.

Good Luck!!!

For Primary 7 pupils this time of year is filled with hopes and dreams for the years ahead. However, there is always a little sadness when so many pupils and parents are moving on. Everyone at St Fergus' wishes the Primary 7 children and their family's good luck and success for the future.



Last Week of School Reminders

Diary Dates

Tuesday 25th P1-6 School Trip to Heads of Ayr

Wednesday 26th St Fergus' Family Together Activity Day

Thursday 28th Non-Uniform day, no charge to parents. Close for summer at 1pm

I wish you a very happy summer holidays and look forward to working with yourself and your children next session, children return on Friday 16th August at 9am.

Yours sincerely,

Whain McDonald

Mhairi McDonald

Janie O'Neil: Director of Children's Services

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'Working together to promote excellence in achievement and wellbeing for all.'











