

# St. John Ogilvie Primary School

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**Director of Children's Services: Mr Steven Quinn**

*Our School Values: Kindness, Respect, Honesty*  
*Our School Vision: A community of excellence and opportunity for all*

27<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

## June Update

As the school session comes to a close there are a few updates.

### Staffing

Thank you to everyone who attended the retirement mass on Thursday for Mrs Carberry and Mr McKearney. Mr McKearney, our previous janitor, retired during Lockdown and we were delighted to welcome him back to our school community to give him the proper send-off he deserved. Mrs Carberry officially retires on Tuesday and we wish her all the very best for the future.

Mrs Teese in the school office will be leaving us on Tuesday. Mrs Teese has worked in the school office since January 2021 and will be moving to another area of the Council. We thank her for all her hard work and wish her every success in her new role.

Mr Guthrie, part of the Soft FM staff, will be finishing on Tuesday. Over the past year, Mr Guthrie has ensured that our school is clean and safe. We cannot thank him enough for the kindness and care he has shown to our school community. We wish him all the very best for the future.

Mrs Montoro (P2 teacher) will be finishing up in SJO. Mrs Montoro has completed her probationer year and is heading off to sunnier climates! We are delighted for her and wish her well. Buena suerte!

Finally, as you know Mrs Forsyth will be finishing in SJO on Tuesday. Mrs Forsyth has worked in the school for 15 years. In that time she has supported many pupils, staff and families. We will miss her dearly but wish her all the very best as she takes up her new role in Mary Russell School.

Following recent recruitment appointments by Renfrewshire Council, Mr McMenamin has been made a permanent teacher in our school community. I would like to take this opportunity to officially welcome Mr McMenamin to our school and we look forward to working with him.

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Next session, Ms Torrens and Ms Johnston are also joining our Teaching Team. We look forward to welcoming them both in August.

Congratulations to Miss Hutchison (Classroom Assistant) who was the successful candidate at recent interviews and will replace Mrs Forsyth as Additional Support Needs Assistant. We are delighted to be keeping her in our team.

### **Classes 2022-2023 \* Information correct at time of print.**

Primary 1 – Miss Craig  
Primary 1/2 – Miss Brown  
Primary 2 – Mrs Donachie  
Primary 3 – Mrs Benton  
Primary 3/4 – Mr McMEnamin  
Primary 4 – Miss MacNeil  
Primary 5 – Ms Torrens  
Primary 6 – Ms Johnston  
Primary 7 – Mrs McClelland

Non-Class Commitment Time Cover/ Pupil Equity Funding– Mrs Smith (0.4), Mrs Watt (0.8) and Mrs Parkin

### **Last few days of term**

The school closes for summer on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June at 1pm.

### **School Uniform for August**

Our school uniform includes: grey skirt/trousers/short trousers, white polo shirt and red/grey sweatshirts or cardigans. Dark coloured shoes. **A reminder that tartan pinafores are not part of our school uniform.** A reminder that as we are no longer to give out single use plastic all pupils are invited to bring a water bottle to school each day. There are water coolers throughout the school that the children can use to refill their bottles.

### **Start Dates**

The school will reopen to pupils on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> August. For P2-P7 the gates will open at 8.45am. For our new Primary 1 pupils the start time on the first day (Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> August) is 9.30am, finishing at 2.45pm. From Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August P1 pupils will be able to come into school from 8.45am.

### **Primary 7 – Class of 2022**

As the school year draws to a close I would like to take this opportunity to wish our Primary 7 pupils all the very best as they prepare to make their transition to High School. We have had a very busy term celebrating their achievements and talents. Thank you to all the staff and the Parent Partnership who helped make these events such a huge success. We also wish parents and carers of Primary 7 children who are moving on all the very best for the future, we thank you for your support and kindness over the years. We hope to see you at future events!

### **Parent Partnership**

A big thank you to Theresa Brogan and our Parent Partnership for all their hard work and support this session. In what has been another challenging year they have still managed to support the school community in various ways. We have benefited from the purchase of various school subscriptions to support literacy and numeracy.

A big thank you to all the members of the Parent Partnership who are leaving us, we cannot thank them enough for all the support and encouragement they have given in helping to make our school such a success. We wish them all the very best for the future.



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**Parent Partnership 100 Club Winners will be announced tomorrow.**

**Lunches**

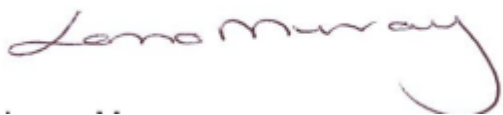
On Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June we will be having an early lunch (11.30am). For those wishing a school lunch the options will be Tuna or Cheese sandwiches. Due to the early finish (1pm) pupils are welcome to have their lunch when they go home.

**Treat**

Mrs Carberry has sent in a small treat for the children. On Tuesday the children will have a Dairy Milk or a packet of Haribo. We thank her for her kindness.

On behalf of all the staff we wish you a safe and relaxing summer and look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> August 2022 for the next school session.

Yours,



Lorna Murray  
Head Teacher