

## People Directorate

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Dear Parents and Carers



Good morning everyone and Happy Thursday! It feels strange sending out a round up on a Thursday, but as of 2:30pm today school is closed for the Spring Holidays.

This holiday is very much welcomed by the entire school community as I know that we all need to chance to switch off from school work and have a break.

Just a reminder, school reopens on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April for P1-7.

Children in the EYC who's attendance pattern is 52 weeks will still be eligible to attend for their normal sessions during the Spring holiday with the exception on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April and Monday 5<sup>th</sup> April. Please let staff know if you intend your child to attend. Children who attend EYC on a term time pattern should not attend at all during the 2 week holiday.

Good news!! South Ayrshire Council have been in touch this morning to say that they are planning on planting a number of trees within the school ground. These trees are Spaghetti Trees and within a few weeks, they should be ready to provide a vast amount of pasta to the local community. I will let you know when they will be available for you to



harvest!



**LET'S GO LUNCH** I have attached the new lunch menus to this round up today. After the holidays, pupils in P2-7 will still have lunch within their classroom, with P1 pupils having lunch in the dining hall.



**NEWS FLASH** Today, P1 came into their classrooms and noticed things were a little different. We have removed a number of tables and chairs from both learning areas in order to allow more room for learning though play! The children were really excited and immediately started using the new resources to complete their work tasks. Rather than have children putting their jackets and bags at their desk, we have provided every child with a canvas tote bag which they will design and personalise after the holiday. They can use this bag to pop their jacket, water bottle and snack into. This really means that after the holidays, there won't be the need for P1 children to bring a school bag with them. The bags will be stored on a mobile coat stand with room for packed lunch boxes to be stored too. Apart for a lunch box for those choosing to bring lunch from home, children in P1 should bring their snack and water bottle with their jacket. Look out for photos of these changes appearing on Twitter soon! (This one is for real, and not a joke 😊)



Following the Easter holidays, we will start homework back up again, using Teams.



On behalf of the entire staff, we wish you all a Happy Easter, and a well deserved break from school! I hope that our families stay safe and enjoy some of the restrictions that will be lifted out in the community over the next couple of weeks. I know that most of us have the hair appointments booked already!! Once again, thank you all for the support you have shown to our staff and our pupils over this emotional rollercoaster of a term! We look forward to Term 4 with hope, optimism and energy!!

Mrs Donnelly