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# Term One Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a very busy term so far and a great start to our time in the decant building! The children have been learning about coding and computing science across the school and have taken part in a variety of exciting and engaging experiences.

Our Teaching staff are already very busy planning experiences for next term. The children will be exploring music, culture, and dance as they collaborate to bring together a spectacular performance to you in December!

## **Open Evening**

Thank you to all those who were able to attend our School Open Evening on Thursday 19th September. It was very well attended and we were delighted to be able to show off our lovely temporary accommodation to you!

You commented on how well our staff have managed to achieve a "homely" feel within our new classrooms. Many parents provided feedback on how effective the learning support packs that some pupils received over the summer had been.

## **Rights Respecting Schools Award**

We were delighted to achieve our Bronze Award at the end of last session. Now we look forward to inviting the assessors in early in the new year for accreditation as we aim for our Silver Rights Respecting Schools Award!

So far this term we have been learning about rights in class and in our assemblies. Children are becoming aware that they are entitled to their rights as "Rights Holders" and the adults in the school as "Duty Bearers", must work to the best interests of the child to uphold their rights.

Article 12 "Respect for Children's Views" saw us creating our new Rights Respecting Pupil Group. We are currently looking at Article 29 which ensures that we encourage the children to become the best possible version of them they can be by developing their skills, abilities and personalities through the education they receive in our school.



The children have been surveyed to see which clubs they would like us to offer in order to ensure we develop their talents and in the coming weeks they will sign up for a club in either Term 2, 3 or 4. To find out more please check out this lovely video <u>UNCRC Scotland</u> (youtube.com)

#### <u>Seesaw</u>

Good news! Class teachers will continue to use Seesaw this session to share with you your child's Learning Journey. Personal targets and regular photos evidencing progress and achievements are how we share and celebrate your child's successes with you.

We would encourage parents and carers to 'like' and 'comment' on their child's post, as this gives the children a boost to their self-esteem and confidence!

Please note, however, Seesaw is not for communicating with class teachers directly. Teachers are unable to respond to comments, questions or messages on Seesaw. If you would like to speak with a member of staff, please contact the school office by calling 01436 674001 or email

<u>enquiries-johnlogiebaird@argyll-bute.go</u> <u>v.uk</u>, where our clerical staff will be happy to arrange an appointment for you.

## iPay impact

Please remember that all families must register for "iPay Impact", even those who provide their child with a packed lunch. Please contact us if you require support.

#### Wider Achievement

We have worked really hard this term to ensure that all of our children have signed up for at least one extra-curricular club which will ensure that their talents, skills and personalities are developed in line with Article 29 of the UNCRC.



We have the right to an education which develops our talents, personalities and abilities.

In term two Miss Clark is offering an Arts and Crafts club which is open to all children. Mrs Rogers is running a Construction club and it is also open to all children. These two clubs will take place after school.

We are also running a lunchtime club on a Friday, organised by Miss McColl, which will offer some sensory opportunities and a chance to develop sewing and craft skills. This club is open to all children.

Our netball club starts in term two with Mrs Nathani, and is for our children in p. 4-7 to develop their netball skills.

Letters for next term's clubs will be distributed very soon.

In term three we will have a Baking club organised by Miss Robertson and Miss Bullingham for p4-7. Mrs Oliver will be running the Military Kids club for p. 1-3.

Term four is when football begins for p. 5-7 where Miss Buchan will be developing ball skills. We also have Mrs Normington organising a lego after school club p. 4-7. Mrs Wilson will deliver a Coding Club for all children and this will take



place after school too. Military Kids club for p. 4-7 takes place in term three with Mrs Oliver.

Alongside these clubs Mrs Jones will run our Pupil Voice Committee, and Mrs MacMillan our Eco Committee.

## Annual Data Check Returns

Please ensure you return the Annual Data Check form for your child. These are important for us to ensure we hold the most up to date information for administrative purposes and we may also use it in the event of an emergency. All corrections on the form should be made in pen and then returned to us.

## PE Kits

Pupils will continue to wear PE kit to school on their class PE days. Pupils should wear a white t-shirt and blue shorts (not denim) as their uniform for PE, (no cropped tops). Please also note that football strips, football colours and boots are not permitted.

In winter grey or blue jogging bottoms are acceptable to wear on their PE days.

Jewellery should not be worn. For any earrings that are unable to be removed, tape should be provided throughout this limited time.

## **School Uniform**

Please remember our suggested uniform is as follows:

P7, white shirt, new P7 school tie (yellow and blue stripes with 'Final Year' printed on it), blue 'V' neck with yellow stripe, /grey trousers / skirt/ pinafore and black shoes. P1-6, white shirt, school tie (original design) plain blue 'v' neck, grey trousers/ skirt / pinafore and black shoes.

A blue and white summer dress may be worn in warmer weather.

All clothing brought to school should be labelled or marked in some way, as it is difficult for children to distinguish their own clothing from others.

Fri 4th Oct	School Closes 3:00 pm		
Mon 21st Oct	School reopens at 9:00 am		
Tue 29th Oct	Tempest Photography in school		
Fri 8th Nov	Remembrance Assembly 2:15		
Mon 11th Nov	Parents evening appointments available		
Thu 14th Nov	P7 Christmas Unwrapped		
Thu 21st Nov	Parents Evening Book Fair		
Mon 25th Nov	In-service Day		
Tues 26th Nov	School opens 09.00am		
Wed 11th Dec	Christmas Performance 5:30pm Pupils arrive 6:00 pm Performance starts		
Thu 12th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day - wear something festive £1		
твс	P1-3 Christmas Party		

## **Dates for your Diary**



твс	P 5/4 Christmas Party	Wed 2nd Apr	Easter Service - 1:30pm
твс	P7/6 Christmas Party	Thu 3rd April	Parents Evening
Wed 18th Dec	School Christmas Service 1:30pm	Fri 4th April	School Closes 2:30pm
Fri 20th Dec	School Closes 2:30 pm	Tue 22nd April	School opens 9:00 am
Mon 6th Jan	School Opens 9:00 am	Wed 30th Apr -	P7 Residential Experience
WON 6th Jan	School Opens 5.00 and	Fri 2nd May	
Thur 16th Jan	P7 Residential meeting @ 6.30pm	Thur 15th May	Sports Day
Thu23rd Jan	Visit to Morar Lodge - Burns Event	Thu 22nd May	School Closes 3:00pm
Fri 24th Jan	Scottish X-Factor 1.30pm	Fri 23rd May	In-service Day
Fri 7th Feb	School closes 3.00pm	Tues 27th May	School opens @ 9.00am
Mon 17th Feb	In-service Day	Fri 23th June	School Reports issued
Tues 18th Feb	School opens 9.00am	Date TBC	P7 Leavers' Dance
Mon 24th Feb-	Developing Young Workforce	Wed 25th June	JLB Awards Ceremony - afternoon
-Fri 28th feb	Week	Tue 1st July	School closes @ 1.00pm
Wed 5th Mar	P5/4 Assembly 2:15pm		
Thurs 6th Mar	World Book Day - dress up!		
Mon 24th Mar	Parent sEvening Appointments available		
Tue 1st April	Non Uniform day to celebrate end of Ramadan		

Best wishes, JLB Staff Team

