Staff News

There are quite a few new faces around our school community.

We are delighted to welcome Miss Hope Ramage as NQT to our school. She is teaching P2 with the support of Miss Brown. Mr Duncan Crighton has joined us too and is teacher to P6C. Mrs Helayna Ives has taken up a permanent post with us. Mrs Ives will teach our P5/4 class four days a week and Miss Brown will teach P5/4 one day a week.

Please welcome Mrs Lynsey Letford who joins us our new Admin. Officer and Miss Michelle Brown our new Learning and Care Assistant.

In our nursery, we welcome Stacey Ness our new Early Years Support Assistant, Kim Reid a new Early Years Educator, Pauline Paige also an Early Years Educator and Kalli Coutie, a Modern Apprentice who will also be an Early Years Educator at the end of her two year apprenticeship.

Dates for your Diary

September

2nd Primary One children in school full time 2nd Parent Council Meeting 6:15pm 17th Open Evening St Paul's Academy, 6:30pm 20th P7 Safe Taysiders, 12.30pm 24th Parent Teacher Interviews 4pm–7pm 25th Parent Teacher Interviews 4pm–7pm 26th Road Relay Race, Balgay Park, 4:00pm

October

1st Behaviour Awards P1-P3 10.00am P4-P7 11.00am 3rd Harvest Service. 9:30am Led by P3 and P4 3rd P7 Trip to St Paul's - Legally Blonde Production 3rd School closes 3:15pm for October Holiday for Pupils 4th Inset Day for Staff – **School Closed to Pupils** 21st School reopens for Winter Term 29th Flu Immunisations 30th Hallowe'en Disco P1-P3 6:00pm – 7:00pm P4-P7 7:15pm – 8:30pm

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School Uniform

The children have returned to school looking very smart in their new uniforms. Please make sure that all items are clearly labelled. It is possible to order school uniforms online all year round and the website that you need to use is: borderembroideries.co.uk.

Class Do-Jo

We would highly recommend that you sign up for

Class Dojo. This will allow you instant feedback and information with regards to your child's day as appropriate. Any letters sent home can also be found on Class Dojo. If you are having any difficulties signing up , please send your email ad-



dress to the class teacher and they will endeavour to set up your account for you. If you do not have internet access on your phone or computer, we can provide a small jotter for communication with the class teacher.

Parent Council Meeting

The first meeting of the year is to be held on Monday 2ns September at 6:15pm. All parents are invited to attend. There will be representatives from the Local Community Planning Partnerships to listen to your suggestions for the new Community Hub.



Can we remind you that all dogs are not allowed on school grounds. Many of our children are fearful of dogs. We respectfully ask that you leave your dog at home or you find a safe place outside the playground to wait for your child.

Communication With Teachers

If you require to speak to your child's teacher please note they are not available to chat to you when they bring in the class lines in the morning. They do have more availability at the end of the school day to chat to you but it is best to make an appointment to ensure your privacy when you meet. However, should you have an urgent concern that cannot wait then please come into to the school office, where we will ensure the teacher gets the message. Mrs Snee and Mrs Wise are available most mornings should you require to chat about a concern.

Parent Teacher Interviews

This year you will be invited to attend two face to face interviews with your child's teacher. These are to take place in September and February. The first round of interviews will take place on Tuesday 24th September and Wednesday 25th September from 4pm - 7pm. You will receive a slip to indicate your preference shortly.



May I remind all parents and carers to park respectfully beside the school. We regularly receive complaints from local residents and businesses who are unable to access their drives or garages.



We would also remind you not to park on the speed bump, zig zag lines or pavement as this causes danger for our pupils.

Building Work

You may have noticed a lot of scaffolding around the school. We are delighted to tell you that we have had new windows and blinds fitted in the 'upper block'. The difference this has made to the amount of natural light entering the building has been incredible. We are also in the process of having an extension to the dining room built. We are told that the expected date for completion of this will be the beginning of September.

Good to Be Green Behaviour Policy

As in previous years we are continuing to use our positive behaviour management system of Good to Be Green. Every morning your child starts the day on green with the aim of being well behaved and staying on green all day. The number of green days are totalled and certificates and rewards awarded as below.

35 days for a Bronze Award70 days for a Silver Award130 days for a Gold Award170 days for a Platinum Award

