

Thursday 2nd May

Dear Parents & Carers

This week we welcomed Vanessa Sparre-Rutherford to nursery where she is enjoying making friends with everyone. We are also delighted to have Mrs Hind back with us. The student we were expecting has been given another placement closer to her home.

The important dates in the diary so far are attached to this letter. The children and staff have started thinking about good venues for a trip and the date for that will follow once a decision has been made from the suggestions so far, ranging from a visit to church and Disneyland! This is a space worth watching……..

We are delighted that Portavadie Marina have agreed to host sports day again and Robbie is trying to arrange the same weather as we enjoyed last year. We will be needing help with transport to and from. If the weather is bad on the day we will re-schedule (first available date is Thurs 13th). Please remember that football strips are not acceptable as PE kit. This is Argyll & Bute policy (see handbook). Any other t-shirts (no inappropriate slogans, please!), shorts or joggers and suitable shoes for allowing running safely

P7 and their parents will be having a visit from David Lyon from the hostel on 8th May at 5.30 pm. If any other parents are starting to wonder about life in the hostel, I’m sure you would also be welcome to come along to find out and ask any questions.

Mrs Hind is requesting postcards (anything, but preferably showing local area) for exchanging with a French school in Montpellier. The children have already enjoyed exchanging Christmas and New Year cards and the next task is to exchange postcards explaining our local area. We’d be grateful if you could send in a postcard for your child to write.

There is another sickness bug doing the rounds. Please remember to keep your child at home until 48 hours clear of last ‘episode’.

There will be another Ragbag collection on Tuesday, May 28th. Please have a clear out to support school funds!

Don’t wait until parents night if there’s anything you want to discuss about your child, we are always happy to see you.

**Diary Dates**

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| **MAY** | **Event** | **What’s needed** |
| Tues 7th | Book bug – 10 am followed by soft play & refreshments  P1-2 Swimming lesson 3  Chanter & fiddle | For all bumps, babies and toddlers – spread the word  Swimming costume, towel & healthy snack  Instruments and music |
| Wed 8th | Visit from David Lyon, Officer-in-charge, Dunoon Hostel at 5.30 pm. | P7 pupils and parents |
| Tues 14th | P1-2 Swimming lesson 4  Chanter & fiddle | Swimming costume, towel & healthy snack  Instruments and music |
| Mon 20th | P6/7 Sailing | Permissions & packed lunches & kit(list to follow)  Transport to be arranged |
| Tues 21st | P6/7 sailing  P1-2 Swimming lesson 5  Chanter & fiddle | Packed lunch & kit  Transport to be arranged  Swimming costume, towel & healthy snack  Instruments and music |
| Wed 22nd | P6/7 Sailing | Packed lunch & kit  Transport to be arranged |
| Mon 27th | Holiday | Don’t come to school! |
| Tues 28th | P1-2 Swimming lesson 6  Chanter & fiddle  RagBag collection | Swimming costume, towel & healthy snack  Instruments and music  Clear out wearable clothes, shoes, belts & bags |
| Fri 31st | Sports Day – at Portavadie Marina  Reports issued | PE kit & trainers. **Help with transport required – let us know if you can assist** |
| **June**  Mon 3rd – Fri 7th | P7 – On the Move, transition to Dunoon Grammar |  |
| Tues 11th | Parents afternoon & evening | Invitations to follow! |
| Fri 14th | P4-7 Police Sports – Dunoon Stadium | Help with transport required. PE kit & trainers. Packed lunch & permission slip |
| Wed 26th | End of Year Celebration 1.30 pm | Baking donations welcomed |
| Fri 28th | Mud day  School closes 12.30 pm for HOLIDAYS | Complete change of clothes, towel, bin bag.  Pick-up arrangements needed– slip to follow. |