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General Information

As we approach half term, I would like to bring a few events to your attention.

Friends Of Dunclug PTA

We will be holding our next PTA meeting on Monday 25th February 2019 at 9.30am. We hope to do some gardening (*Dunclug Grows Wild!*) in the school grounds alongside Catherine McKendry and several pupils. If you haven't yet been along to our meetings but would like to find out more, this would be an ideal time to join us. Meetings are very informal and last no more than an hour.

P6/7 Residential

Our Primary Six and Seven pupils are starting to look forward to attending their residential trip to Lorne Estate and Activity Centre in Holywood. The trip will take place from Tuesday 9 April to Wednesday 10 April 2019. Parents are asked to ensure that all money (£70) is paid before Friday 8th March.

Parent-Teacher Interviews Week:

Please note that the dates set aside this term for Parent/Teacher interviews will be Monday 25th, Tuesday 26th, Wednesday 27th March. On these dates school will finish at 12.30pm for pupils. School dinners/packed lunches will be provided on these days at an earlier time of 12noon. A specific parent/teacher interview date and time will be sent out to parents/carers soon.

P1 Enrolment – September 2019

Have you applied for a P1 place for September 2019? Please remember to bring your child's birth certificate to the school office as soon as possible.

If you know of any friends or extended family who are considering sending their child (P1-P7) to Dunclug Primary School it is not too late! We would be delighted to show prospective parents around our school at a date and time that is convenient for them. To arrange an alternative visit please call us on 2565 2327.

First Aid Update

At Dunclug Primary School we regularly review our first aid policies and procedures to ensure that your child(ren) receive the best possible care during their time at school. Recently we reviewed our bumped head procedure following some advisory guidelines.

Accidents involving bumps to a pupil's head

The consequence of an injury from an accident involving a bump or blow to a pupil's head is not always evident immediately and the effects may only become noticeable after a period of time.

Parents/guardians will be informed of all knocks or bumps to a pupil's head regardless of whether emergency treatment is required. Where possible this should be done in person or over the telephone. If this hasn't been possible then a note will be sent home.

Illness

Any sick or ill children will be seen in the first instance by their class teacher. If felt necessary, a first aider will be contacted. The principal will make the final decision on whether a child needs to be sent home. If it is felt necessary to send a child home, the parent or guardian will be contacted to make arrangements for collection.

A child who has been physically sick should be kept at home for at least 24 hours.

Half Term Break

Just a reminder that there will be no school for pupils from Monday 18th – Friday 22nd February 2019 (inclusive).

P3-P7: RSPB Birdwatch

Pupils are advised not to forget their note and warm coat for tomorrow's RSPB birdwatch at the People's Park. It should be a great afternoon.

School Council Sweetie Cart Fundraiser

Our School Council members have decided to hold a Valentines Sweetie Sale! If pupils wish to buy some sweets, they may purchase some from the Sweetie Cart both tomorrow and Thursday.

Mathletics

It is brilliant to see our pupils so excited by the new numeracy programme 'Mathletics.' Pupils can log in at school or even at home, if they have access to the internet, on tablet or computer using the website http://uk.mathletics.com/.

Many thanks for your continued support of our school. Have a lovely half term break.

Mr A Beacom **Principal**









