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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you all had a lovely holiday and were able to switch off from everything for a while. It has been lovely to see all the children back, they are all looking so refreshed and happy to be in school!

I had an assembly with the children to remind them about how to be in school again, they were all able to tell me what the expectations of the school were and reminded me of a few things that I had not thought about. The children all change their shoes when in class and so need a pair of indoor as well as outdoor shoes. They are wearing them for most of the day so need to be comfortable but not expensive as they are inside. We have wellies in a cupboard for when the children are on the wet grass or gardening but you are more than welcome to put your child to school in them or have them in a bag for them to use. I would also suggest a set of old clothes for them to change into for outdoor learning, they can get very muddy, especially as winter starts.

We try to discourage the bringing of toys into school but understand that some children require the safety of an object from home. If your child brings anything from home into school, they are responsible for it and we cannot guarantee the safety of such object. We also provide everything that your child requires for their learning, but also know that children do enjoy having a pencil case. Again objects within the pencil case can go missing and other children will ask to use them.

Can I please remind you all that cars should be parked in the big car park at the end of the road and not in the turning circle or up the side of the school. I have had a number of complaints from the community as it is not safe for everyone and blocking other's access.

To prevent upset can I please ask that children do not hand any birthday party invites out at school.

We are very excited for the new session and look forward to everyone being:

Happy

Achieving

Respectful and

Everyone working together so we can all have a safe and successful year ahead.

I have attached a list of dates for the coming year, they are subject to change but it is a rough guide to this next year's calendar.

Thank you.

Glenna Hendry

Dates for your Calendar 2023-24

21st August: In service Day
22 nd August: First day of school
23 rd August: Primary 1s start
28 th August: P1 parent lunch at 12noon
4 th September: P1 full day
18 th September: Photos-Individual/Family
6 th October: P5/6 Assembly
12 th September: P1 Literacy and Numeracy Evening (time tbc)
29 th September: McMillan Coffee Morning- details to follow

16th October - 27th October Holiday

28 th October: Term 2 Starts
15 th November: Parents' Evening
16th & 17th November: In-Service
24 th November: P2/3/4 Assembly
25 th November: Christmas Fayre
15 th December: Christmas Carol Cafe
W/B 18 th December: Christmas Parties/ Panto in school
21 st December: Provisional Church service

22nd December – 5th January 2024 Holiday

8 th January: Term 3 Starts
8 th February: Café
9th February- 12th February: Holiday
13th & 14th February: In-Service
23 rd February: P6/7 Assembly
8 th March: Provisional date for reports
12 th & 13 th March: Parents' Evening
15 th March: Fair Trade Café
28 th March: Easter Assembly

29th March – 12th April: Easter Holiday

15 th March: Term 4 Starts
26 th March: P4/5 Assembly
3 rd May: Café
6th May: Holiday
31 st May: P1/2 Assembly
3rd June: Holiday
14 th June: Provisional Sports' Day
21 st June: reserve Sports' Day/ Café
3 rd July: Leavers' Assembly and Award Assembly

8th July: Last Day of School