

DUNIPACE PRIMARY SCHOOL



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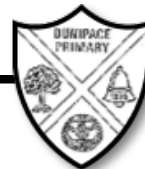
Happy Retirement Mrs Donnelly!

On Wednesday 24th June, Mrs Angela Donnelly will put her whiteboard marker down for the very last time as she leaves Dunipace Primary School to head off into a very well-deserved retirement. For almost three decades she has been part of the Dunipace family where she has motivated, guided and supported our staff, pupils and families. However, don't think that Mrs Donnelly will be putting her feet up just yet, with five grandchildren to look after she will be kept busy. We all wish her the very best as she starts this new chapter of her life.

You will be missed!



Briarlands Whole School Trip



This year our whole school trip was to Briarlands Farm. Thankfully the weather held out for us and we managed to see the sun. It was such an enjoyable day for children, staff and parents/carers alike. We would like to thank all of the families who came along and supported this trip! Here is what Primary 3 thought about the day.



I loved playing on the gokarts.
Nathan

I liked the football target, it was pretty hard though as I didn't get a single one!
Harris

I liked seeing the animals, especially the guinea pigs.
Emily

The bouncy pillow was fun.
Aria

I like the football golf, I hadn't played it before but I thought it looked interesting.
Arran



I liked playing on the Nessie monster because I could go down the slide. Ava K

I liked the maze even though I kept on getting stuck, I only climbed over the fence once! Emilia

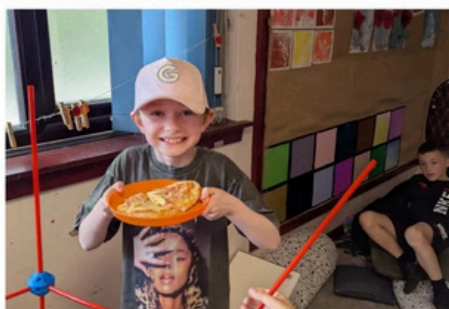




Health Week

This year we celebrated Health Week from 25th - 29th May. The school was buzzing with excitement as all of our children took part in Dance, Rugby and Circuit training. The children all had an opportunity to take part in a cooking/baking experience within our Den space. To end the week, all children were timetabled for our inflatables!

Thank you to Mrs Donnelly and all of the staff team for all of their hard work organising a fantastic week!



Big Me Day

This year's 'Big Me Day' was another success! Children were invited to dress up as something they would like to be when they grow up. We also had a Careers Fair which was supported by our parents/carers and local businesses. Our children asked lots of interesting questions and were amazed by some of the job opportunities shared with them.



'I liked getting to have a shot of the camera and take pictures'



'I enjoyed getting to see the vet and practising putting bandages on the dog'



'I really liked getting to hear about what people did in their jobs - next time I would like to hear from someone in Border Force Control because that's what I want to do when I'm older'

M&M Productions

On Monday 25th May, M&M Productions came into school to perform 'The Secret Garden' to all of the children. It was an excellent show and thoroughly enjoyed by both children and staff. Thank you to the PTA for paying for this experience.





Staffing

Next session we are delighted to welcome Miss Rachel McIntosh to our staff team as a probationer teacher. She has already been in school lots to meet her class and is very excited to get started in August.

Sadly, we have to say goodbye to a few staff members: Mr Roche, our janitor, successful secured a job within Stirling Council so left us on Friday 19th June. He was such an asset to our team and is already missed by staff and pupils. Miss Kilpatrick and Mrs Chandra, our Support for Learning Assistants will be leaving us as their contracts end on the 26th June. Both have been great additions to our Dunipace family and they will be missed.

Mrs Wells, our Art specialist will not be working within Dunipace next session as we will have a Music Specialist. Mrs Wells has worked within Dunipace Primary School delivering Art to our pupils for 8 years, she has been a valued member of our staff team and will be missed.

Mrs McFarlane will be changing her working days next session and will work Monday - Wednesday to accommodate job sharing with Mrs Bartley.

Mr McWilton will be working within our Primary 1 class a few days each week until October.

We are delighted to announce the classes for next session below.

Classes for 2026-2027

Primary 1 - Miss McKechnie

Primary 2 - Mrs Sigurdsson (Mon - Thurs) / Miss Nicol (Fri)

Primary 3 - Mrs Dowds

Primary 4 - Mrs McFarlane (Mon - Wed (am)) / Mrs Bartley (Wed (pm) - Fri)

Primary 5 - Miss McIntosh (Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri) / Miss Nicol (Wed)

Primary 6 - Mrs Crerar

Primary 7 - Mrs Cupples

Support for Learning and Nurture Teacher - Mrs Guidori

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Kind Regards,

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