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Dear Parents / A Charaidean Choir,

*Welcome back to a new school session and we hope you all enjoyed the Easter Break.*

**Absences / Neo-Lathaireachdean:** If your child is going to be absent from sgoil araich or school, please can you give this information to the school in advance. If your child is absent unexpectedly on any given day, please email [dunvegan.primary@highland.gov.uk](mailto:dunvegan.primary@highland.gov.uk) or call on 01470 521307 and let us know.

**School Dinner money / Airgead Dinneair:** Hot school lunches are back being served.

1 day = £2.40,  
2 days = £4.80,  
3 days = £7.20,  
4 days = £9.60,  
5 days = £12.00

P1 – 5 are entitled to Free School Meals. Payments are only taken for P6 & 7. Please can you make sure that lunch money is handed to the kitchen by **Thursday** every week.

**Outdoor Clothing / Aodach a-muigh:** Please can you ensure that ALL children continue to bring weather appropriate clothing to school every day, along with indoor shoes. Spare clothes are advisable also.

**PE/Spors:** PE lessons are held throughout the week, so please can you make sure that your child comes to school with their PE kits and non marking indoor trainers.

**Sun cream / Uachdar na greine:** Sun cream can be sent into school and sgoil araich but we must have parent permission to be able to apply.

**Head lice / Mialan:** Please can you check your child's hair on a regular basis.

**Music / Ceol:** Jaggy Thistles is on each Monday at 3.15 - 4.15pm. £1 per session to cover the costs of printing music sheets.

## **SOME DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**The Children's Trophy / Cuach na Cloinne:** Our GM4-7 pupils will take part in Cuach na Cloinne, a Gaelic run & led Football competition. This will take place at PHS on Tuesday 30th April. Pupils will travel to and from Portree on the Dunvegan Community Minibus, driven by a staff member. Please make sure that you send a snack, packed lunch and water bottle into school with them that day. We will provide the children with a strip, but they need to have trainers / astro boots & shin guards.

**Cross Country / Ruith:** Cross country championships will take place this year on Wednesday 8th May at Portree High School. Miss NicLeoid is starting up a running club during lunch break for children to practise for this. We will be taking a team of girls and a team of boys along to the event. We will travel to Portree using the Dunvegan Community Minibus, driven by a staff member as well as staff car if needed. This event will run from 10.30 - 12.30. We will advise parents at a later date which children have made the teams. Children should take a packed lunch, snack & water bottle with them. Along with suitable running footwear & clothing (Converse are not suitable for running in).

**STEM Day / Saidheans:** P4-7 will take part in a Generation Science Workshop on Coding on Tuesday 14th May, here in the school Gym.

**Sports Day / Spors:** This year's 'Cluster Sports Day' will take place here in Dunvegan. Our first date is Tuesday 21st May, ready to start at 1.30pm sharp, and our contingency date is Friday 24th May. Hopefully we will manage to hold the event on one of these dates. Parents/Carers are all welcome to come along and spectate. This will be held on the top pitch at school.

**Reports / Aithisgean:** These will be sent home on Friday 17th May. We will have parent/teacher/pupil meetings the following week. Leona will be in touch soon with a time for you to attend.

**Mod / Mod:** The local Mod will take place during the week beginning 27th May. More details on entries to follow.

**Summer Picnic / Cuirm-chnuic Samhraidh:** Instead of the usual lunch choices on Tuesday 4th June, the school cook will host our Summer Picnic. Hopefully weather dependent this will take place outside in the playground, but failing that, it will be in the canteen. Please let Leona know if your child would like to have the picnic.

**P7 Trip / Turas:** Our P7's will be heading off to Raasay for their P7 trip on Tuesday 11th June and will return on Friday 14th. We hope they will have a fantastic time.

**Transition / Gluasad suas: High School** - As part of transition, our P7 pupils will be going up to Portree High School on Friday 10th May and Friday 17th May for some literacy & numeracy sessions. The usual transition days will take place on the 19th, 20th & 21st June. P7 pupils will travel to the high school on what will be their High School bus for these sessions.

**Sgoil Araich & Primary** - Official 'bump up' days for school & sgoil araich pupils will also take place on 19th, 20th & 21st June.

**School Trips / Turas na sgoile:** We are planning on having a GM Trip and an EM trip on Monday 24th June and then a whole school outing on Tuesday 25th June. More details to follow.

**Awards & Leavers ceremony / Cuirm dhuaisean agus luchd-fàgail:** We will host our awards ceremony and leavers assembly on Wednesday 26th June at the Church of Scotland in the village, this will be combined with an end of term church service. Parents & carers are welcome. This will start at 1.30pm. **Children to be collected at the church at the end of the day by parents/school transport.**

**School Closure / Sgoil air a dhunadh:** The school and sgoil araich will be closed the following dates:

Thursday 2nd May - INSERVICE

Monday 6th May - HOLIDAY

**Nursery / Sgoil Araich:** Can you continue to send it at least one full change of clothes in your child's bag on a daily basis, as we spend lots of time outdoors and with messy play.

If you have any queries or concerns about sgoil araich then please do not hesitate to speak to Catherine or Jeanette, they are always happy to chat.

**Sgoil Araich Sports Day/ Sports:** Our Sgoil araich pupils will have a separate sports day, where we will get some of our Young Leaders to organise and lead the event. Parents & carers all welcome to spectate. Time & Date for this will be decided soon and we will let you know

**End of the School Day / Aig and deireadh an latha:** Please can all parents/carers that are collecting children at the end of the school day please adhere to the following system:

1. Taxis leave
2. Bus leaves
3. Children being collected are sent out to cars
4. Cars leave

This is to make sure that the end of day traffic is handled in as safe a way as possible, we do appreciate your help.

**End of Term / Deireadh an teirm:** School & Sgoil araich will close at 12.30pm on Thursday 27th June and reopen on Tuesday 20th August 2024 at 09.15am.

*Please call or email any time. Your support makes an incredible difference to our school and we consider you all part of our team.*

*I look forward to seeing everyone over the course of the term.*

Tapadh Leibh/Thank you,

**Samantha Muir**

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