

(Our weekly mail drop will now be sent out each Monday rather than Friday)

This week's mail drop includes:

- Information on Strathesk PS becoming a UNICEF UK Rights Respecting School
- Information on NSPCC's Speak Out, Stay Safe programme
- National Youth Choir of Scotland information
- National Youth Choir of Scotland workshop information

Please join us for our *Curriculum Evening on Wednesday* 13^{th} September when you will get a chance to meet your child's class teacher who will share an overview of the curriculum and what your child will be focusing on this year. The sessions run from 5.00 - 5.30 and 5.30 - 6.00. Both sessions are the same in each class to allow you to visit more than one class over the course of the hour should you wish to do so.

Thank you for continuing to encourage your children to cycle or scoot to school. The children have been great at dismounting at the school gates for the safety of others in the playground. Can you please remind them to wear helmets for their own safety when cycling or scooting?

It has been lovely to see so many children wearing full school uniform this term. Thank you for supporting us with this. If you do not have the purple jumper/cardigan, please let the school office, class teacher or Ali Turbitt, our Home School Practitioner, know as we have a number of these in school.

All children will now change before and after PE. We do not have a specific PE kit. Shorts/joggers, t-shirt and trainers are perfect! We simply ask that children do not wear football colours and that kit is suitable for all forms of PE. Shorts shouldn't be too short. Can you please send a PE kit into school with your child? This will stay in school and be sent home to be washed at the end of each term. Please check that all clothing is labelled with your child's name and class. Thank you for your support with this.

I had hoped to include the annual calendar in this week's mail drop but we are still finalising some dates so I will add it next week. Individual class events, such as day trips, will be added throughout the year as they are arranged and teachers will let you know about these at the time.

Please have a lovely week, everyone. Take care and look after yourself and your family.

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