

Good afternoon,

I write on behalf of the Carbst Primary Parent Council. We discussed your proposal to discontinue education at Struan Primary and transfer the entire catchment to Dunvegan Primary at our recent meeting and would like our comments below noted.

We are concerned about the future of Carbst Primary with regard to intake numbers. Our school roll will drop to 18 children next school year. We understand that some areas of the Struan catchment are closer to Dunvegan but feel that south of Struan, Coillore (causeway) and settlements towards Carbst (such as Gesto, Sumardale and Meadle) should be in the Carbst Primary catchment area. We need to attract families to our school and area, but to do this we need nursery and school-age children in the first place. We are concerned at the unequal balance afforded by one school getting larger, having a larger budget, more resources to offer children, to the detriment of the other. Our children used to benefit from Struan pupils visiting, widening social opportunities for children; a big plus when sometimes there may be only 1 child in a school year group.

Kind regards,  
Naomi Cain

**Treasurer - For and on behalf of Carbst Primary Parent Council**