



Newsletter

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Welcome back I hope that you all had a lovely Summer. I want to thank you all for your support last session and we are all looking forward to a fun and successful year ahead.

I would like to welcome our new P1 and Nursery parents/carers. The P1 children are already settling in to Craigiebarns and I'm sure as our Nursery children start to join us across the coming weeks they will settle in quickly too.

We also have new children in other stages across the school and I would like to say a warm welcome to them and their families.

I hope that you all enjoy being part of our school community.

Staffing Information

We are delighted to have new staff joining us this session.

Miss J Savaniu is our P2 class teacher.

Mrs Newins is our new Learning and Caring Assistant who will be in school on a Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday morning when Jill Martin (Learning and Care Assistant) takes over for the rest of the week.

Miss C Duncan is our Nursery Teacher this session with Mrs S Wilson back in school teaching P1 (Wednesday) and P2/3 (Thursday afternoon and all-day Friday).

We also welcome new staff to our nursery, Miss A Martin (covering Miss Anderson's maternity leave) and Mrs F Sheikh.

Mr Lawson has returned to teach P5b and Mrs Roebuck has also returned in a support for learning role until Christmas.

It is always great to have new members to add to our hardworking staff team.

Changes to Covid19 Guidance

On the whole we have returned to school as normal which is great news! We do continue to follow good hygiene guidance with children regularly washing their hands and surface cleaning.

If your child has a high temperature or is unwell, we ask that they remain at home until well enough to return to school or their temperature has dropped.

For further information please go on

<https://www.nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/infections-and-poisoning/coronavirus-covid-19>

All of this means that we hope to have school events which welcome our parents back into the school.

Gates Reminder

The school gates will be closed at Craigie Road end and from Gardyne College between 9.30am and 2.30pm. All access to the school for families and children will be from Brington Road. This is to allow our children and staff to use the school grounds safely during school hours.



Attendance and Lateness

A good attendance at school is important to ensure your child feels included in their friendship groups and with their learning. We regularly monitor children's attendance and have a duty to send out termly letters should your child's attendance be of concern. Please contact us should you be worried about your child not wanting to attend school.

The school day starts at 9.00am and it is important your child arrives at the start of the school day with their classmates as a matter of routine. Teachers greet all of the children and explain the day ahead. Constant lateness may make your child feel they are missing out and will affect their progress with learning.

| Role | Name |
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| Senior Leadership Team | |
| Head Teacher | Mrs Karen Clarke |
| Depute Head Teacher | Mrs Arlene Findlater |
| Principal Teacher | Mrs Karen Britten |
| Principal Teacher Visual Impairment & Technology | Mrs Ann Sanger |
| Teaching Staff | |
| Nursery Teacher | Miss Catriona Duncan (Also P1-3 Supporting Learners) |
| P1a Class Teacher | Mrs Irene Gallacher |
| P1b Class Teacher | Mrs Charlane Means |
| P2 Class Teacher | Miss Julia Savaniu |
| P2/3 Class Teacher | Miss Jenna Davidson and Mrs Sarah Wilson (Also P1 RCT) |
| P3 Class Teacher | Mr Christopher Culloch |
| P4a Class Teacher | Miss Sandie Storrer |
| P4b Class Teacher | Mrs Mairi Ord (Monday-Tuesday) and Mrs Carolyn Lumley (Wednesday-Friday) |
| P5a Class Teacher | Mrs Kirstie Latto (Monday-Tuesday) and Mrs Adele McGrath (Wednesday-Friday) |
| P5b Class Teacher | Mr Greg Lawson, Miss Abbie Brand (Thursday) |
| P6a Class Teacher | Mrs Susan Forbes |
| P6b Class Teacher | Mrs Alison Watt |
| P7a Class Teacher | Mr Steven Clark |
| P7b Class Teacher | Mrs Lindsay McGovern |
| Leading Literacy, NQT Mentor and Supporting Learners | Miss Abbie Brand |
| RCT PE and Health | Mr Scott Shields |
| RCT P3 and Supporting Learners | Mrs Louisa Roebuck |
| Support Staff | |
| Admin Officer | Mrs Yvonne Campbell |
| Primary and Early Years Care Assistant | Mrs Karen Page |
| Primary and Early Years Care Assistant | Mrs Pam McRitchie |
| Primary and Early Years Care Assistant | Mr Michael Davidson |
| Primary and Early Years Care Assistant | Mrs Helen Smith |
| Learning and Care Assistant | Mrs Jill Martin |
| Learning and Care Assistant | Mrs Roseline Newins |
| Learning and Care Assistant | Miss Sarah Crichton |
| Enhanced Support Area Staff (Visually Impaired) | |
| Teacher of Visually Impaired | Mrs Cheryl Wilson |
| Additional Support Needs Assistant | Mrs Shelagh Devlin |
| Learning and Care Assistant | Mrs Vikki Duffy |
| Learning and Care Assistant | Mrs Charlene Smith |
| Nursery Staff | |
| Senior Early Years Practitioner | Mrs Dorothy Barclay |
| Early Years Practitioner | Mrs Elaine McHugh |
| Early Years Practitioner | Mrs Cheryl Birmingham |
| Early Years Educator | Miss Alicia Martin |
| Early Years Educator | Mrs Laura Crowe |
| Early Years Practitioner | Miss Lizzie Kelly |
| Early Years Support Assistant | Mrs Laura Ewen |
| Early Years Support Assistant | Miss Emily Sunter |
| Early Years Support Assistant | Mrs Kirsty McNally |
| Learning and Care Assistant | Mrs Farkhanda Sheikh |



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Dates for you Diary 2022-2023

There may be further dates to add at a later date.

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| 16.08.22 | Back to school |
| 23.08.22 | Parent Partnership Meeting 6.00pm - come to main door |
| 30.08.22 | Meet the teacher afternoon 1.30pm-2.00pm or 2.05pm-2.35pm or 2.40pm-3.10pm. |
| 15.09.22 | Learning Journeys Home |
| 24.09.22 | School Fair - Parent Partnership (Saturday 10am-1pm) |
| 10.10.22 | October Holidays |
| 24.10.22 | Back to school |
| 27.10.22 | Halloween Discos P1-3 3.15pm - 4.15pm P4-7 5.00pm-6.15pm |
| 03.11.22 | Learning Journeys Home |
| 09.11.22 | Tempest P1 and P7 individual photographs |
| 10.11.22-11.11.22 | Inservice Days - school closed to children |
| 10.11.22 | Parent Partnership 6pm - come to main door |
| 15.11.22 17.11.22 | Parents Evenings - More information will follow; at present this is planned to be in person in school. |
| 1.12.22 | Flu Vaccines P1-7 |
| 12.12.22 | Christmas Party week - dates nearer the time |
| 16.12.22 | Proposed date for Nativity and Sing Along - will confirm nearer the time. |
| 22.12.22 | End of term 12 noon |
| 09.01.23 | Back to school |
| Further dates for 2023 will follow in future newsletters | |

A chance for you to have a 30 minute informal visit to your child's/children's classroom to meet their teacher and see around their classroom. Times will be allocated to avoid larger numbers at one time - a letter will follow.

More information to follow - a fun Saturday morning event for all the family to raise money for school funds and bring our Craigiebarns community together.

We are currently in the process of planning our P7 residential trip. This will be on week beginning 15th May 2023. All P7 children will have the opportunity for a 3 day/2-night experience. Due to our large number in P7 this will be in two groups (probably classes) We will get more information to our P7 parent/carers in due course. The cost of this trip will be £165.

We are currently ensuring Seesaw is updated with all children and parents. There have been some changes over the holidays which we are familiarising ourselves with and updating settings. Seesaw is our main place of communication, so we ask that you check it regularly and let us know if you are having any issues accessing it. It is important that you know what is going on in your child's school and class, so they don't miss out. Most important information will also be sent by email or text to the person you have identified as the main contact on data capture forms. Please ensure that you keep your details and the people who are your emergency contact's details up to date.

Reminder – All P6-7 school dinners must be paid by ParentPay in advance or on the day wherever possible.

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