

Craigiebarns Primary School

Newsletter

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I hope you all had a good October holiday. We are looking forward to another successful term of learning and fun with the children.

We are currently planning for a return to Christmas performances - a nativity from our nursery as well as a nativity from P1-3 and a Christmas Sing Along from P4-7 (dates are on the back).

Thank you for the feedback for the Meet the Teacher Open Afternoon and the School Fair we will share this with you in the coming weeks. Feedback is important to us as it allows us to make improvements.

Staffing Information

Miss Brand has successfully been appointed as Acting Principal Teacher at Clepington Primary School, we will miss her and wish her every success in her new role, this is initially until December. Mrs Roebuck will be covering Miss Brand's timetable until her return.

We welcome back Mrs Armstrong who will be covering Mrs Roebuck's previous timetable.

Miss Anderson from our Nursery is moving on to Fintry Nursery school on a part time basis to allow her to have more time with her baby son. We will all miss her and wish her all the best.

Thank you to everyone who attended our Meet the Teacher afternoon - this was to allow you to come into school and meet your child's/children's teacher, classmates and see the classroom environment.

This term we will have parents' evenings back face to face in the classrooms, the link for booking your appointment is on Seesaw, if you cannot access this, please contact the school. In term 3 (January - March) we will hold a sharing learning afternoon where children will speak to you about their learning and share their learning logs. In term 4 (June) you will receive your child's formal written report. We hope this all helps you to feel involved in the school and most importantly in your child's learning throughout this school year.

Seesaw

Seesaw is still our main way of sharing information with you. Whole school announcements are shared regularly. This is also where learning and homework (every Monday) will be shared. We have now reinstated the messaging function so that you can message your child's/children's teacher and members of the Senior Leadership Team. Please do not include any personal information such as phone numbers, email addresses, home addresses in messages

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. Please phone before 9.30am on the first day of your child's absence.

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 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.

We still have a number of children arriving late to school. Can we please ask that an effort is made for your child to arrive on time. We will contact you this term if your child is regularly late to see how we can support you.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Dates for you Diary 2022-2023

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

09.11.22	Tempest Photos - Class photos and Individual Photos for P1 and P7.
10.11.22 & 11.11.22	Inservice Days 2 and 3 - School and Nursery closed to all children.
15.11.22 & 17.11.22	Parents/Carers Evenings face to face in school - letters to follow with appointment times (please book - link on Seesaw).
18.11.22	Children in Need Day - children can dress in a colour of their choice e.g. All in blue or all in yellow
01.12.22	Flu Vaccines for all children P1-P7.
06.12.22	Dental service in school for P1 and P7.
12.12.22	Christmas Parties to take place during this week and the following week. Teachers will let you know date on Seesaw.
16.12.22	P1-3 Nativity in morning and P4-7 Singalong in the afternoon.
19.12.22	Nursery Nativity in afternoon.
21.12.22	P1-5 M&M Productions Pantomime in school (we are currently looking at options for P6 and P7).
22.12.22	School closes 12 noon.
09.01.23	Schools back.
25.01.23	P7 Burns Night (more info to follow).
31.01.23	P7 Parents Information Evening for Residential Trip (more info to follow).
10.02.23, 13.02.23 & 14.02.23	10.02.23, 13.02.23 Holidays - School closed to children. 14.02.23 - Inservice Day 4 - School closed to children.
Further dates for 2023 will follow in future newsletters.	

Follow the link on Seesaw by tomorrow to let us know a time and day that suits you. You will receive a letter to let you know when your appointment is.

We hope to have tea and coffee for after the P1-3 Nativity and the Sing Along to allow parents/carers to catch up with one another. P4-P7 Parents/Carers can watch the entire Singalong this year. We ask that there are only 2 adults per child at the performances.

Our P7 residential trip is now booked. 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 classes. We will get more information to our P7 parent/carers in due course. The cost of this trip will be £160. Please contact us if this causes you any financial concerns. Further information will come out to parents of P7 children.

The water fountains in the school are now back on. Can we please ask that all children bring a water bottle every day as we no longer have bottled water in school to give children. If you are unable to supply your child with a water bottle, please contact us.

Can we please remind parents/carers that dogs are not allowed in school grounds.

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