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Nurture, Play, Respect



We hope all of our families enjoyed the summer break, we know the staff did and are returning well rested and looking forward to working with their new classes.

The school is looking great, thanks to the cleaning team. The staff have worked very hard over the last week to make the spaces are ready for children and they are looking great. As you will see in the pictures.

STAFF NEWS

In the next month we will be interviewing for Early Years Practitioners and a Learning Assistant for the Nursery. As well as a Principal Teacher and an acting Depute Head.

Each of the teachers are entitled to 2.5 hours a week of Non Class Contact time. This year this will be covered, as last year, by Elaine Tate (PE specialist, two days a week), Alicja Kapturska (teacher, three days a week) and Althea Stentiford (music specialist, one day a week). As we grow we need more cover and so we will be joined by Susan Perry who is also a music specialist and will be with us on Monday mornings.

Over the year all of the classes will have time with the music and PE specialists, however this may just be for half of the year.

Mrs Kapturska will also be in P2 each Wednesday to allow our newly qualified teacher, Miss Jamieson to engage with professional learning.

WEDNESDAY

As we return the pupils may have forgotten where their new classroom will be. There will be signs on each classroom and staff will be outside to welcome pupils and direct them.

We know that transitions can be difficult for some of the children and we will work to keep things calm for the first few days.

ESTABLISHMENT PHASE

In the first few weeks of the new session the learning focuses again on 'Learning about Learning' and resetting classroom expectations. The children will co-construct a classroom charter. There will also be a focus on Zones of Regulation and supporting learners to express their feelings and recognise the feelings of others. During this time the children will be focused on a limited, health and wellbeing focussed curriculum and there will be no homework.

There will be no PE in the first week unless the teacher tells the class otherwise.



DATES FOR THE DIARY - our Family Engagement Calendar for this session will be sent home soon

- 14th and 15th August - Staff return
- 16th August - Pupils Returns
- 15th -18th September - Closed for September Weekend
- 29th September - Stay and Play sessions for P1 and P2 (more info to follow)

UNIFORM (details in our Handbook on the website)

Almost all of our children come to school each day in uniform, we know this can be a big expense for families and so there are a few ways we can help.

There is a £120 clothing grant available, check this link to see if you are entitled -

https://www.midlothian.gov.uk/info/855/school_meals/117/free_school_meals_and_clothing_grants

As part of the Cost of the School Day initiative we would happily help any families who don't meet this criteria but find buying uniform a challenge. Please just email the office or let them know in person and we will help.

We also arrange regular Pre Loved Uniform stalls but if you need something beyond these the staff will help, just ask.

We also have new coats and fleeces in a range of sizes which were donated last year by Craigdon Mountain Sports, just ask one of the staff.

This year, if children are not in uniform, an email will be sent to families reminding them of supports available.

PE DAYS

On the two days a week the children have PE we ask them to come to school ready for this. Post COVID this was one of the changes the children wanted to keep. The uniform for these days is:

PE Kit ·School polo shirt or plain white or grey or maroon t-shirt ·Black/grey shorts, jogging bottoms or leggings ·Gym shoes or black/white trainers ·If wearing ear studs they must be covered with tape during the lesson ·Long hair to be tied back. A change of shoes for PE is encouraged as otherwise the hall becomes too muddy.

Days for PE this session are:

P1H Monday, Tuesday

P1B Monday, Tuesday

P2 Monday, Tuesday

P2/3 Monday, Wednesday

P3 Monday, Wednesday

P3/4 Monday, Tuesday

P4 Tuesday, Wednesday

P5 Wednesday, Thursday

P6 Wednesday, Friday

P6/7 Wednesday, Thursday

P7 Monday, Thursday

APPEAL FOR DONATIONS!

The school are looking for donations of any construction toys that you may no longer need. In particular they would welcome any Lego, Mobilo, Meccano, Sticklebricks, Kinect or Duplo. We would also welcome small world items such as Playmobile and animals.

FUNDRAISING

One easy way to support the school financially is by using the link below if you are making purchases from a range of retailers. This includes Tesco, John Lewis, Amazon, M&S and Argos. For more details -

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/roslinprimary/>

COST OF THE SCHOOL DAY

We would like to continue to remind families that cost should never be a barrier to being part of all we do in school. On each of the forms that come home asking for payment, there will be a box to mark if you would like the school to pay. We are happy to do this as we are aware of the pressure on families currently. There will be no questions, please just select that option. Please also be reminded of our foodbank store cupboard in the school foyer for anyone to help themselves from.

FEEDBACK LINK

We welcome any feedback on any of the content in the newsletter, the link will be open after each edition.

<https://forms.gle/msCmBAS3PEBFPv919>.

