

# Welcome back to Bearsden Primary School

**Staff News**—As is often the case, there will be some changes to the previously communicated staffing arrangements.

All Primary 1 pupils have been informed of their class, class teacher and room number prior to starting school on Wednesday 17th August. Mrs Drysdale, Miss Beattie and Mr Cameron are very much looking forward to welcoming the newest members of our BPS school community!

Miss Lesley Graham will be moving on to new challenges in another local authority and we wish her every success in her new role. Miss Graham will be a huge loss to BPS and will be very much missed by pupils, staff and parents. We would like to thank Miss Graham for all of her efforts during her time in Bearsden.

As such, Miss Shona Gray will now be teaching Primary 4. Miss Gray has been with us since January 2016 and has done a fantastic job of delivering Science across the school and RCCT for teachers. Pupils have responded very well to working with Miss Gray and she has quickly become a very popular member of our school community. Miss Gray knows the pupils well and she is very much looking forward to her time with P4A.

Miss Lisa Mullen, who many of you may remember from her time as a probationer at BPS in 2014/15, will be joining us at the start of the new session and will be delivering PE for many of our pupils as part of RCCT. We look forward to welcoming Miss Mullen back and I know she is very excited about returning to Bearsden PS.

I am very pleased to confirm that Mrs Lynne Stewart will remain in her Acting DHT role, with this post being likely to be filled on a permanent basis later this session.

We will also be welcoming Ms Janice Thomson who will be joining us as DHT. Ms Thomson was previously Head Teacher at Lenzie Primary School and will bring her considerable experience to her DHT role in order to support our improvement agenda at Bearsden PS.

## **New Interval and Lunch Arrangements!**

This session we will be piloting a new timetable for all pupils in order to try and improve pupils' experience, particularly in the playground. Pupils will still have the same amount of learning time and will still start at 9.00am and finish at 3pm.

However, we will now stagger our Infant (P1-3) and Upper School (P4-7) playtimes and lunches. Infant playtime will still run from 10.30-10.45am but the Senior pupils will have interval from 10.45-11.00am.

Infant lunches will take place from 12.00-12.45pm and Senior lunches will take place from 12.30-1.15pm.

We are very excited to try our new arrangements and are confident that there will be a considerable benefit to pupils. I look forward to sharing our pupil feedback with you!

## **Dates for your Diary**

Monday 15th August	Teachers return
Wednesday 17th August	P2-7: 9.00am-3.00pm
	Primary 1: 9.30-11.30am
Thursday 18th August	Primary 1: 9.30-11.30am
Friday 19th August	Primary 1: 9.00-12.15am

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