



# Crookfur Primary School & Family Centre



Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

## **Collaborative Improvement Visits**

This week we have carried out lots of learning visits and pupil discussion groups to help us to identify what is going well and what we would like to do better. Class teachers and the leadership team carried out joint classroom visits to observe learning experiences and join in with activities.

We also looked over the children's written work and chatted to groups about their learning and views about school life.

This has been a hugely positive experience with teacher colleagues sharing great ideas and offering advice from their own experience. The children have been so willing to share their ideas and comments too and we will be taking their ideas on board.

## **Tempest Photography**

A reminder that the school photographer will be at school on **Tuesday 11th** and **Wednesday 12th October**.

Sibling and individual photos will be taken. Please ensure your child is wearing whichever school uniform you wish them to have on for the photos.

If your child has PE or Woodland on these days, please send in their kit for them to change into.

## **Parent Council Meeting – 13<sup>th</sup> October, 7pm**

Our Parent Council will meet at Eastwood High School Sports Centre on Thursday next week, 7pm.

## **Parents Evenings**

Thank you to all of the parents and carers who submitted a response to last week's parents evening survey. The overwhelming majority of responses have indicated that a face to face meeting would be preferred. As a result, consultation meetings on both Wednesday 2nd November and Thursday 3rd November will be face-to-face appointments in school.

Appointments will be made via the online School Cloud system and further information about booking will be sent out shortly

## **Walk to School Week**

As part of International Walk to School Month, Crookfur Primary will be taking part in Walk to School Week, week beginning 24th October. We will be running our Walking Bus again which proved very popular amongst our children last year. Our Walking Bus promotes healthy exercise, reduces dangerous traffic around our school gates and reduces traffic pollution, thereby improving the health and safety of all our pupils. We are hoping to organise a walking bus on the mornings of Tuesday 25th October and Thursday 27th October. More details will be issued next week.

## Communication

Although we have two formal parents' evenings per year, we operate an open door policy and hope that parents/carers feel able to approach the school with any questions or comments. Members of the leadership team are around the grounds in the morning and at the end of the day. Class teachers see the children out at the end of the day and can often use this time for a quick catch up or to pass on information.

If you would like to speak with your child's teacher or a member of the leadership team about something sensitive or that will require a bit of time, please contact the school office to arrange to speak to someone. We will either arrange a telephone call or a meeting as required. Our school e-mail address is [SchoolMail@crookfur.e-renfrew.sch.uk](mailto:SchoolMail@crookfur.e-renfrew.sch.uk) or you can call 0141 570 7120. I ask that you do not use teacher's glow e-mail addresses or Google Classroom to send messages as these are not the teachers' primary e-mail boxes and it could lead to a delay in us responding to you.

## P1 Pop In and Play

The Primary 1 teachers and children are very excited to be welcoming parents and carers into their classrooms next week. Below is a little reminder of the dates and times for each class:

P1A - Tuesday 11th October, 2.15pm – 3pm

P1B – Wednesday 12th October, 2.15pm – 3pm

P1C – Thursday 13th October, 2.15pm – 3pm

To ease congestion in the classroom, we ask that only one parent/carer attends per child. We apologise if this causes any disappointment. Parents/carers who are attending should enter through the main school entrance. At 3pm parents will leave the classrooms to allow the teachers to get the children ready for home time. We look forward to welcoming you in next week.

## Collection

It is lovely that, post-Covid, lots of children are enjoying clubs and play dates after school. If your child is being collected by another parent/carer, please let the school know in advance. A quick e-mail, call or note in a bag will be fine. Many thanks.

## Car Parking

Please note that the school car park must not be used for drop off or pick up. This week it has been very wet in the mornings and a significant number of parents/carers are entering the school to drop off. The school car park is for staff and accessible parking only. There is a contraflow and the car park can become very congested very quickly. It is dangerous for children entering and leaving the grounds.

Although we do try, we do not have staff available to patrol the car park all the time and rely on parents and carers to help keep everyone safe. Thank you for your continued support.

I hope that you have a lovely weekend.

Kindest regards



Sheena McGuigan  
Head teacher

## **Dates for Your Diary**

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October – P1A Pop in and Play, 2.15pm; School Photographer *(more details above)*

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October – P1B Pop in and Play, 2.15pm; School Photographer *(more details above)*

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October – P1C Pop in and Play, 2.15pm; Parent Council meeting 7pm

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October – School closes for October holiday

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October – School Closed to children (in service day for staff)

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> October – P1, P3 and P4 discos (more information to follow)

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October – P2, P5-P7 discos (more information to follow)

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – Parents evening, 4.30pm-8pm (more details to follow)

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November – Parents evening, 4pm-7pm (more details to follow)