



Welcome back !



Cross Arthurlie
Primary School and
Nursery Class

20/08/21

WELCOME !

COVID

Thank you for understanding that we are still working with restrictions in school due to the pandemic.

Staffing

Teachers

It's great to see everyone back in Cross Arthurlie and to welcome some new staff. Miss Glass will be teaching P2/2. Miss Joiner, Mrs Holmes and Miss Pollock are with us on a temporary basis this is in addition to the other staff who are not in class full time (Miss Galloway; Mrs Berry; Mrs Carr; Mrs Sherman; Mrs Craig; Mrs Britton and Mr Mitchell) This means that we are really fortunate in being able to provide targeted and group support at every stage in the school.



Office

Mrs Yvonne Sheridan will be full time in the office, taking over from Linda Campbell. Unfortunately Lynda Webster is still not back at work full time yet and Nicole MacLaughlin is now based in the nursery. Email is still our preferred form of communication at this time but please bear with us as Mrs Sheidan gets to know the school and the new office systems.

Remits

The Senior Management Team have maintained changed their remits slightly from last year. As Headteacher I have overall responsibility for the school how-

Parent Council news

The Parent Council are always keen to welcome new members and are looking forward to being able to organize events this year as restrictions ease. There is a Parent Council Facebook page and site. This is a closed group for parents of Cross Arthurlie and has lots of useful information.



ever, Miss Galloway (PT) with responsibility for the nursery and PI Mrs Criag (PT) has responsibility for P2,3 & 4 and Miss Rice (DHT) for P5,6 & 7. Together we make up the Senior Leadership Team of the school.

Who we are and what matters to us (Vision, Values and Aims)

Last year together we thought about our overall priorities and developed the following statements of what we want

Cross Arthurlie to be:

“A caring community of learners”

The values we hold:

- Kindness
- Respect
- Confidence

Together we will develop a curriculum where the journey of learning is a priority. We will build friendships and confidence looking out for each other as we live life now and prepare for our future.

Breakfast Cart

We are really excited to be involved in a trial for a Breakfast Cart for the children in Cross Arthurlie who may have missed out on this important meal.



Any child wishing to collect toast or cereal will be able to do so from Monday at 8:45 in the lunch hall. We hope this will ensure that all of our chil-

Useful links

School Lunches

[https://](https://www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/primary-menu)

www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/primary-menu

Parent Portal

[https://](https://www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/parentsportal)

www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/parentsportal

Clothing grants and Free School Meals

[https://](https://www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/free-school-meals)

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Parents' nights 1	Tuesday 19th & Wednesday 20th October
Parents' nights 2	Wednesday 23rd March Thursday 24th March

Holidays and In-service

- September weekend 24th-27th
- October week 1 1th – 15th
- In-service 18th October
- Christmas 23rd Dec– 5th Jan
- In-service 5th Feb
- Feb holiday 8th & 9th
- Spring holiday 4th– 18th April
- Bank Holiday - 2nd May
- In-service 5th May
 - Bank Holiday 23rd
 - Bank holiday 2nd & 3rd June
 - Last day of school 28th June

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School Website: [https://
blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/
er/CrossArthurlie/](https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/er/CrossArthurlie/)

Jackets & Uniform

We are keen to ensure that children are able to make the most of playtime and, given that we live in the west of Scotland, this will mean that sometimes when the children are out playing it may be raining. Could you please make sure your child has a waterproof jacket and that it has your child's name on it. We encourage the children to be responsible for their belongings, but sometimes they can become misplaced and it is much easier to return lost property if items are clearly labeled.

The children are all looking wonderful in their school uniforms which is in line with East Renfrewshire Council's "Dressing for Excellence" policy. We prefer the children to be in recognizable Cross Arthurlie uniforms with sweatshirts and polo shirts for younger children and shirts and ties for older. This does not mean all items have to be branded with the school badge, as plain navy sweatshirts and plain polo shirts are perfectly acceptable. If you have any questions about school uniform please don't hesitate to ask. Thank you for your continued support with this as it genuinely helps us build and develop a real sense of community and being part of something that matters.



We are looking forward to making the most of our wonderful outdoor space. In Primary 1&2 the children will be learning outdoors on a regular basis and will be working through a programme called "Muddy Movers" which seeks to develop their large motor skills and encourage them to work cooperatively. Could I ask if you have not already done so you drop off a pair of wellies for your child, if you want to you may also provide a 'puddle suit'.

P3& 4 will also be looking to develop their skills outdoors. Please look out for more information on this

P.E. Days

Children are now able to use both the gym hall and outdoors for PE. Please make sure your child has their PE kit for indoor PE on the following days

P1/1 & P1/2 Monday

P2/2 Tuesday

P2/1 Thursday

P3/1 Wednesday

P3/2 Friday

P4/1 Wednesday

P4/2 Friday

P5/1 Monday

P5/2 Tuesday

P6/1 Thursday

P6/2 Tuesday

P7/1 Thursday

P7/2 Friday

Parking

Please be considerate when using your car around the school. We have very tolerant neighbours who are become frustrated with inconsiderate people parking across their driveways. The school car parks are for **staff only** and should not be used by parents. There have been a number of near misses in the past and we do not want any child to come to harm. The school bus drop off point **MUST** be kept clear. Please be particularly vigilant as children may be coming to school on their bikes

