



Cardenden Primary School

August 2025 Newsletter





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Dates for your Diary ...	
	
Wednesday 20th August 2025	Pupils start school
Tuesday 2nd September 2025	School photos
Wednesday 3rd September 2025	Meet the Teacher 2.30pm – 4pm
Thursday 4th September 2025	Childsmile
Friday 26th September 2025	Parent Workshop 9.30am – 10.30am

Message from Mrs Stewart

Welcome back to school – I hope everyone had a lovely summer holiday. I am excited for our year ahead and look forward to involving you in our plans.

There will be links within this newsletter to ask for your feedback. Please take time to complete these to help us in our planning.

As always, if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch. You can do this by visiting the school office, emailing Cardendenps.Enquiries@fife.gov.uk or by catching teachers at drop off or pick up. We will be happy to arrange a meeting or appointment at a time that suits everyone involved.

Mrs Stewart

New Staff

I would like to introduce and welcome our new staff who have joined us at Cardenden:

- Mrs Drummond – DHT
- Miss Cotterill – P3 Class Teacher
- Mrs Sinclair – P4 Class Teacher
- Mrs Smart – P6 Class Teacher
- Nicola MacKenzie – Admin / Clerical

Mr Noble & Mr Mair will be joining us at different times in the week/term as additional support teachers.

We have a few new EYOs joining our nursery:

Abbie McKinlay, Cara Henderson, Courtney Murray, Isla Yule, Lauren Scott & Wendy Logan.

We also have Denise Currie & Joan Ross joining the team for Term 1 as Senior EYOs.



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School Uniform

Please support us with promoting school uniform. All staff will be discussing uniform with pupils – if they come to school one day in non-uniform, staff will remind them to wear the correct uniform the next day. If on the second day the child is still in non-uniform, class teachers will give parents a call to discuss. We have plenty of spare uniform available for families if this would be helpful.

We will also be encouraging pupils to wear school colours on PE days too (plain school-coloured bottoms, white polo shirt and plain school coloured jumper).

Cost of the School Day

Uniforms, trips, school lunches, gym kits, pencils and pens, and dress down days can be difficult to afford for low-income families. When children and young people can't take part in opportunities because of cost, they miss out and feel excluded, and it is harder for them to learn, achieve and be happy at school.

Please click [here](#) to share your views on how we can support our families at Cardenden.

Complaints Procedure

We are always here to help and discuss any concerns you have however, at times this might not be enough, and you want to seek further advice. You can find out more about our Complaints Procedures [here](#).

School Improvement

Our improvement priorities this year will focus on:

- Delivering high quality learning, teaching and assessment through the use of digital technology.
- Planning a progressive curriculum for all children across 8 curricular areas (with a particular focus on Art & Design, Music and Drama).

Throughout the year we will be offering parent workshops to involve you in the development of these priorities. We will also be asking for your feedback to help us with self-evaluation. Please click [here](#) to share your [views](#).

Seesaw and Communication

We will be looking at how we use Seesaw – this will be part of a Working Party, and we will be seeking your feedback on this too. Please note Seesaw will not be in use straight away in Term 1 as we take time to develop this.

To contact staff at school, please email
Cardendenps.Enquiries@fife.gov.uk

You can also check our school website for information and updates:

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School Events

Following feedback after our successful Summer Fayre we will be looking to arrange the following events throughout this school year.

Christmas Fayre, Bingo & Family Fun Day (dates to follow)

Each class will also be doing their own class assembly.



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Do you remember Denny?
He will be joining us at our
assemblies, watching out
for all the positive things our
pupils do around the
school.

One of our current P2 pupils drew
Denny when he was in P1. We
have used this to make our very
own Denny logo. You will be
seeing him on all our newsletters
and other places too!

