



Antonine Primary Term 4 May-June Session: 2025/26



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Head Teacher Update

Dear Parent/Carer(s)

I hope you all enjoyed a well-earned break over the spring holiday. We are already underway with our final term of this session with lots of exciting learning and experiences for our children. Later this month, we will have our annual Health Week and our summer trips will take place throughout June. We are already meeting and welcoming our new P1 entrants and their families and getting ready to say goodbye to our wonderful P7 children. All class Curriculum Newsletters providing an overview of the learning for your child's class this term have also already been e-mailed out. This newsletter highlights upcoming events and diary dates for the remainder of this term. A reminder that we continue to email home a weekly diary to give information about events taking place in school as well as regular updates on our school Twitter(X) page. Hopefully we will enjoy some nice sunshine over the next few weeks and I look forward to seeing you in and around the school at the various events through the remainder of the summer term.

Best wishes,

G.S. Byrne



Every School Day Counts

Improving attendance continues to be a priority for our school. Our current whole school attendance is **89.6%**, which is slightly less than it was this time last year. Our target is to reach **90%** by the end of this term. It is important that we have a continued focus on attendance, alongside the launch of the city-wide attendance campaign: Attendance Matters, Every Day. In particular, we are seeing a growing number of children currently with attendance of between 80-89%. Whilst on the face of it this may seem a high percentage rate, it actually equates to a significant number of days absent and missing out on education. An attendance rate of 80% is the same as 38 days off school. This results in lots of missed learning and can prevent children from achieving their potential. Let's continue to work together to make sure every school day counts!



Our Values

RESPECT

TEAM
PLAYER

KINDNESS

PUPIL VOICE

AIM
HIGH

Staffing Update

We are delighted to welcome Miss Hughes back after her maternity leave and look forward to Mrs Campbell returning to school over the next few weeks. We are also lucky to have a new support for learning worker, Mrs Green, joining us hopefully before the end of this session.

At the end of term, we will say goodbye and good luck to Miss Ahmed and Miss Laird and congratulate them on successfully completing their probation year with us. We are also saying goodbye and thank you to Miss Warren, who is going travelling, but we hope to see her back soon. Finally, after over ten years working in our school, Mrs Anderson our Child Development Officer, is retiring. Mrs Anderson has worked with many of our children and families over the years and we will miss all her love, care and nurture. We wish her a long, happy and healthy retirement.

Summer Trips

All classes will be heading out on summer trips throughout the month of June. Separate letters will be issued to all classes with more information. Please find below a list of dates and venues:

- **P1a and P1b Briarlands Farm Park: Monday 22nd June**
- **P2a and P2b Clyde Valley Farm Park: Wednesday 17th June**
- **P3 and P4-3 Sealife Centre: Tuesday 9th June**
- **P4 Blair Drummond Safari Park: Monday 22nd June**
- **P5 and P5-4 Finlaystone Country Park: Monday 1st June**
- **P6 and P6's from P7-6 Finlaystone Country Park: Tuesday 16th June.**
- **P7 – to be confirmed.**





Reading Schools

As part of our work on the Reading Schools accreditation programme, we have been working hard to improve our pupils' reading experiences and promote 'Reading for Enjoyment' across our school. All classes have taken part in monthly trips to Drumchapel library, we have created a new mobile library for classes to enjoy in school and we are currently updating class libraries with new books. All classes also read a range of books from our whole school reading spine, recording these in our class reading diaries. Miss Nicholl also ran an after-school Book Club in Term 3 which pupils loved attending. At assemblies in term 4 pupils will be sharing their favourite reads with others. We are also delighted that we will be welcoming the author of *Leonard's Lunch*, Debbie Quinn on **Tuesday 19th May** to work with our **P1-P3 classes**. P1 will also have a workshop from the author Jo Hall, sharing her JoJo Gnome stories with a focus on the story of Jo Jo Gnome and the Common Elf Games on **Tuesday 26th May**. We will be submitting our Reading Schools Core Award Application later this month and will update you of our progress. A huge thanks to our Reading Ambassadors, Librarians and Mrs Matheson and Mrs Peffers for all their support and co-ordination of this initiative.



Quingo Night

We will be hosting our Quingo night (Quiz and Bingo) for families on Tuesday 4th June at 6.00 -7.30 pm in school. There will be a raffle and tuck shop available on the night. We look forward to seeing you there. All money raised will go towards school funds for new playground markings.

Health Week

Our annual Health Week will take place on **Tuesday 26th to Friday 29th May**. Mrs Harrigan has organised various events throughout the week, including sessions with Drumchapel United FC, Play workshops from Glasgow Life and our whole school annual Road Safety walk. Our Health week will have a Commonwealth and World Cup theme. We will finish our Health Week with Sports Day which takes place on the MUGA on **Friday 29th May**. We will be running a Tuck shop at Sports Day this year.

P1 – P4 9.30 -11.00 a.m.

P5-4 – P7 1.30 -3.00 p.m.



Digital Learning: Showbie

All classes now have Showbie accounts and all families should have access to class pages. Each class across P1-P7 update their class Showbie with photographs and examples of pupil learning. Thanks to parents/carers that made it along to our Showbie workshop. If you need any help or support with access to Showbie or have any queries, please contact Miss Storer via the school office.

Children's Rights

As we continue our work on Children's Rights, we are currently consulting pupils on which articles to include in our new Whole School Children's Rights Charter. There will also be a short survey e-mailed out to families to capture your views on which articles to include. We appreciate your support with this.

Success and Achievements

We are delighted that our P5-P7 dancers have secured a place in the City of Dance Finals. The team will be performing on the **12th June** and we wish them all the very best! Letters have been issued to parents/carers regarding arrangements for the performance. Following our introduction of our new Engagement, Wellbeing and Life Skills programme across P1 – P7, all pupils will receive a certificate linked to the programme and skills that they have developed in recognition of their achievements.

Pupil Progress Reports and Classes for Session 2026-27

Our Annual Pupil Progress Reports will be issued on **Friday 19th June**. These will also contain information about attendance and your child's class and teacher for next session. There will be a feedback sheet for you to complete and return to the school office by **Wednesday 24th June**. Thank you.

Wellbeing Supports

As a school, we are committed to supporting the social and emotional wellbeing of our pupils and have been successful in implementing the Paths programme across P1 to P7. From time to time, our children will also require additional wellbeing supports, including counselling. We have a strong partnership with Impact Arts, who currently provide both individual and group therapeutic counselling. We also provide Seasons for Growth sessions for children that have experienced Bereavement and Loss, this includes when children experience parental separation or a significant change in family circumstances. If you wish further information about this, please contact Mrs Harrigan, DHT.



Child Protection and Safeguarding

The safety and wellbeing of our children is always a priority. If you have any specific concerns about the safety or welfare of a pupil, please contact either: Mr Byrne Head Teacher as he is the named Child Protection Co-ordinator or Mrs Harrigan who is the Depute Child Protection Co-ordinator. See poster below which are on display in every classroom and around the school.





Term 4 Diary Dates

May – June 2026



Here is an overview of key events for this term:

Date	Event Information
May 2026	
Tuesday 12 th May	P6 at BBC Nathan Evans and Orchestra event at City Halls. P7-6 at Pinkston Basin.
Wednesday 13 th May	P7-6 at Scotstoun Stadium for Commonwealth/World Cup Sporting activities. P6 at Pinkston Basin.
Thursday 14 th May	P1 New Entrants Induction Visit 1 : 1.30 -2.30 pm.
Friday 1 st May	P1 New entrant one-to-one meetings taking place with Head Teacher Mr Byrne and Principal Teacher, Mrs Peffers.
Tuesday 19 th May	P1 – P3 Author visit from Debbie Quinn, sharing the story <i>Leonard's Lunch</i> .
Friday 22 nd – Monday 25 th May	May Bank Holiday weekend: SCHOOL CLOSED. School will re-open on Tuesday 26th May.
Tuesday 26 th May	Health Week – activities planned throughout the week: Coaches, Road Safety Campaign, Safety Talks etc.
Tuesday 26 th May	P1 Autor workshop from Jo Hall, linked to the story of Jo Jo Gnome and the Common Elf Games.
Friday 29 th May	Sports Day 2026 (Weather dependent) P1 – P4 9.30 -11.00 am P5-4 - P7 1.30 -3.00 pm
June 2026	
Monday 1 st June	P5 and P5-4 Summer Trip to Finlaystone Country Park
Wed 3 rd & Thu 4 th June	P7 induction Days at Drumchapel High School
Tuesday 9 th June	P3 and P4-3 Summer Trip to Sea Life Centre.
Thursday 11 th June	P1 New Entrants Induction Visit 2: 1.30 -2.30 pm.
Friday 12 th June	City of Dance Festival Final at Glasgow Royal Concert Hall.
Monday 15 th June	Glasgow City Council World Cup School Closure Day. School CLOSED to Pupils and Staff.
Tuesday 16 th June	P6 and P6 pupils from P7-6 Summer Trip to Finlaystone Country Park.
Wednesday 17 th June	P2 Summer Trip to Clyde Valley
Thursday 18 th June	P7 Prom at Drumchapel High School
Friday 19 th June	Pupil Progress Reports issued to families
Monday 22 nd June	P1 Summer Trip to Briarlands Farm Park, P4 Summer Trip to Blair Drummond
Tuesday 23 rd June	P7 Leaver's Service 1.30 pm – Parents/Carers of P7 pupils invited.
Thursday 24 th June	School Closes for the Summer holidays at 1.00 pm. Happy Holidays!

