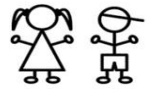


CALDERCUILT PRIMARY & NURSERY

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Caldercuil Nursery Class

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Keep in touch

Your thoughts, opinions, are extremely valuable to us.

Should you wish to contact the school please call 0141 945 0633 at any point during the school day.

To contact myself directly please email

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Gail Palmarini

School Lunches & Parent Pay

Please remember that if your child is having a school lunch you **MUST pre order your child's lunch on Parent Pay.**

Lunches are not cooked on site and come from an offsite kitchen. The lunches sent to us are for the numbers requested online only, therefore, if you have not pre-selected a lunch for your child then they will not be able to have a choice and will probably most likely only be offered a sandwich.

Children do have an opportunity to order in class at 9-9:10am, however, due to lateness many children are missing this opportunity and some of our younger children are not confident selecting or knowing what they like. We ask that you please discuss lunch choices at home and plan/order ahead.

Should you have any questions regarding this process please do not hesitate to contact the school office. Please remember you can always select choices in advance and for multiple days plus you can access the Fuel Zone school menu online at <https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/fuelzone>



Thank you

We would like to extend a massive thank you to all pupils, families, community members and



staff for making our Beatson Charity Coffee morning such a huge success.

The turn out was amazing and I think everyone enjoyed a cake and cuppa. It was a delight to hear the presentation by P7 and our performance from our school choir and Ryan. We raised £1004.05 and the Beatson charity was extremely grateful, well done all!

We would also like to say a huge thank you to everyone who contributed to the Primary 7 sponsor walk and our Nursery sponsor walk. The walks were to help raise funds to allow our children wider experiences and opportunities. Primary 7 raised close to £800 and will pay for half of the cost of



the P7 hoodies and our wonderful parent council will fund the remainder. Our nursery class raised over £600 walking their MUGA miles and this will be used for Christmas gifts for the children, resources and wider experiences.

PE days

Could we please remind all parents and carers that on PE days children can arrive in school in suitable PE clothing, but must still wear a **school sweatshirt/hoodie** on top. It is not a non uniform day and we want children to be safe, comfortable but still recognisable as Caldercuil pupils. Please also remember to ensure your child can **remove any jewellery** for PE as per Glasgow city Council Guidelines.



We have also had a lot of children **wearing false/extended nails** to school which are not practical at all and cannot be worn for PE. We unfortunately had a bad injury where a child's extended nail was bent back through every day play and resulted in the child's own nail being peeled back from the nail bed. This was extremely painful for the child and we would not like any other child to experience this and appreciate your cooperation to ensure we all stay safe.

Literacy Update

Term 2 has been a busy one at Caldercuil for all things reading! P6 Junior Librarians were selected and now run a weekly lending library for our P1s. The children love coming to choose a book to take home and the P6 pupils are loving their new role.

We are looking forward to our Nursery Class visiting us this term too! Our Reading Ambassadors have been keeping their class libraries tidy and teaching others how to summarise a story using a retelling rope!



We have loved celebrating reading for enjoyment at our monthly 'Book and A Blether' family sessions and a big thank you to all who have come along and supported this. Book Week Scotland has arrived and we were so impressed with our P6 Librarians who visited each class this week launching their reading competition. We are excited to see the results of our whole

school Book Board Display Challenge and cannot wait to show these off in the library corridor! Look out for photos! Our P6 librarians are also busy preparing for a whole school Book Swap where children can take a book home to keep.

Finally, we will be presenting reading awards at our next Assembly and sharing our Book Week Scotland best bits!

Thank you to all who completed our reading survey at our recent parent consultation. If you haven't already please scan and share your views.



😊 Future Literacy Events 😊		
P3 Stay and Play	Thursday 30 th November	1.45pm – 2.45pm
P5 Book and a Blether	Thursday 18 th January	3pm – 3.45pm
P7 Book and a Blether	Thursday 7 th March	3pm – 3.45pm
P1 Book and a Blether	Friday 26 th April	3pm – 3.45pm
P6 Book and a Blether	Thursday 16 th May	3pm – 3.45pm

Relationships, Sexual Health and Parenting (RSHP)

Children at all stages within Caldercuilt will have RSHP embedded throughout their learning, not taught as a discrete subject over a short period of time. Our curriculum for excellence (CfE) comprises a broad general education from the age of 3 up to the end of S3 (the third year of secondary education), followed by a senior phase of learning from S4 to S6 in school, or in a College or community setting. RSHP sits within one of 8 curriculum areas, Health and Wellbeing. Curriculum for Excellence articulates a set of statements about learning and progression in each curriculum area, called Experiences and Outcomes, they are used to help plan learning and to assess progress. There are also Benchmarks that set out what learners need to know and be able to do to achieve a level across all curriculum areas. Children and young people do not just learn in formal settings, they also learn at home and so the RSHP resource makes that connection by recognising the role of parents and carers as the child's first and lifelong educator. Many of the learning activities provided in the resource have information that can be shared with home by means of leaflets and class communication. Within our establishment CfE is broken down into three levels- **Early:** Preschool to P1, **First:** P2 to P4 **Second:** P5-P7. The resources are developed to be age and stage appropriate and taught over the years of the level. We are happy to share any resources with you to allow a better understanding and continued learning across school, should you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Class Updates

Nursery children have been very busy learning about storytelling and using lots of different ways to tell a story including use of props and puppets. There has been a great interest in retelling the story of the Gruffalo with lots of drawings and drama activities. This term they are exploring toys of past and present and learning all about Christmas traditions whilst preparing for a Christmas performance. A visit to Build-A-Bear brought home two bears that will develop home links and children will be responsible for taking the Bears home at weekends and sharing their travels. The children have been learning about chronological order and following, first and next steps whilst practicing number and size through lots of different baking activities.



In Sunnybrook we have had a busy first term. We have spent lots of time catching up with all our children. We were delighted to have our parents in for a 'Stay and Play' session. The children in the core group have their new individual targets and are working so hard to achieve them. They have settled very well and are responding positively to the routines and boundaries. The 'Upper groups' are up and running and they are all very keen to earn a treat at the end of the month. This term will be exciting with lots of team building exercises and Emotion Works sessions.



Primary 1 are learning about people and events from the past. We are linking our learning with social studies, RME, literacy, maths, and expressive arts. We would like to extend an invitation to any parents, grandparents, family members who would like to share their experiences of growing up with the class. We will be holding a stay and play afternoon to showcase our learning on Wednesday 6th December at 9.15 - 10.15am.

We are progressing with our writing, using reading into writing. We will be developing our writing skills with capital letters and full stops, have a go at writing, and learning about all the purposes of writing. Mrs Cannon has been in to share some excellent learning ideas, and the class already love the story of 'Mr Wiggle and Mr Waggle' which is our stimulus to start us off this term. In numeracy and maths, we are continuing with numbers to 20 and developing our skills



with adding and subtracting. We will be learning about patterns and sequences, and some features of measure.

PE will continue to be on a Thursday afternoon, we are learning new skills in gymnastics this term, concentrating on travel, roll, and balance. As part of our HWB lessons we will be rolling out our RSHP programme; learning about our bodies, families, and relationships/ friendships. All information and lessons can be found on the RSHP website. Mrs T MacMillan and Miss S Orme.

Primary 2 were working hard on their Sea and Oceans topic In Term 1. We studied the five oceans of the world and learned about lots of different marine life. We never managed to get a visitor in during Term 1, but we hope to have a diver coming to visit us this term. During numeracy and maths, P2 have been developing their awareness of numbers and identifying 2D and 3D shapes.

Primary 2 have chosen to study Toys for their new topic this term. We will be exploring toys and games from different generations and investigating what our grandparents and great-grandparents would have played with! This term, for numeracy and maths, children will be working on strategies for addition and subtraction with Miss Ramsay and will be looking at data handling with Miss MacDonald.

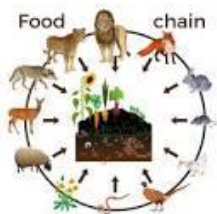


Primary 2 will continue to develop their reading strategies over term 2. Last term, P2 focused on descriptions in their writing. This term, we will be learning to inform through reports. Within STEM, children will be working on their senses.

P2 will also be involved in the Nativity this year with the Nursery and P1. We're really looking forward to this term! Miss Ramsay and Miss MacDonald.

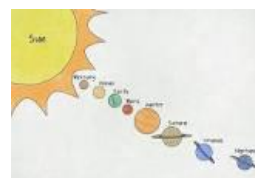
Primary 3 worked hard in Term 1 learning about staying safe online and being a good friend through the movie Ron's Gone Wrong. We want to thank any parents/carers who came along to our Book and a Blether and look forward to welcoming our adults in again for our Read, Write, Count Stay and Play session.

In Term 2 we will be learning strategies for Addition and Subtraction as well as moving on to strategies for Multiplication. Our topic this term is Animals! We will be creating projects about



our chosen animal using our Food Chain learning from Term 1 with Miss Orme and new research we will conduct about Habitats using the iPads. Our focus for writing will be report writing and we will write a report about our chosen animal as part of our project as well. If anyone has spare boxes at home could they please be brought in for your child to use for their project! Miss Grant

Primary 4 are now into term 2 of their school year. This term our topic is 'The Earth and Beyond'. We are exploring the Solar System, beyond our Solar System, the Sun, Earth, the Moon and how it affects our seasons and our weather. In literacy we are looking at the features of film literacy with the writing focus on Report Writing. We will be covering money, time and symmetry in Maths. PE will continue to be on a Monday and this term we are exploring Gymnastics.



Homework tasks will continue to be given out through Seesaw on a Monday and should be completed by the end of the week. It was lovely to meet you all at Parents night and I hope this gave you the chance to voice any concerns. If you have any further questions, please send me a message via seesaw or through the office. Many thanks, Ms Green

Primary 5 have been very busy so far in term 2 and are engaged learners. We have completed our 6 weeks with a Rangers coach, learning about keeping fit and healthy. We have enjoyed live workshops online on self-esteem, technology for helping the planet and participated in money week activities.



This term we will learn about The Human Body, take part in science experiments and science reports. We will be reading and writing non-fiction texts. Our P.E. will focus on fitness and gymnastics. In maths we will learn about money, measure and solving problems using addition, subtraction, division and multiplication. We will be working towards our performance in the Christmas show as well as creating crafts for the Christmas fayre. Mrs Hewitt.

Primary 6 had a fabulous few days in Blairvadach last term, where we learned life skills and took part in fun-filled activities.

This term Primary 6 are looking forward to working with Show Racism the Red Card during our PE lessons and learning about RSHP during our weekly HWB.

We have started our new topic 'Europe' and are looking forward to researching countries in Europe, finding out new information and learning about different cultures. We have a novel study to go alongside our topic called 'Euro Spies' by Lindsay Littleton and we are enjoying this so far.

Primary 6 are learning how to write reports in literacy and in maths. In numeracy we are learning about 2D and 3D shapes, perimeter and area as well as multiplication and division. Miss Callaghan



Primary 7 started term 2 with a successful FUNRUN and managed to raise a whopping £800! In Numeracy we continue to work on multiplication and division, and revision of times tables. In Maths, the children are learning about finance, budgeting and 3D shapes. Our focus in Reading will be on asking and answering literal, inferential and evaluative questions about a text. In writing the learners will be structuring reports for a range of contexts.



The IDL focus will be 'Around the World' and will incorporate the following curricular areas: Geography, RME, Art, Drama and Modern Foreign Languages. So proud of all our children for organising and running our Beatson Coffee Morning, thank you all for your support. Miss Ferguson and Miss Calderbank.

Christmas activities at Caldercuil

The Christmas Fayre will mark the first of our Christmas festivities on Tuesday December 5th 2pm-4pm. This year to avoid confusion and delay when linking children with families we will be **sending home a slip** in advance for you to indicate if you will be collecting your child and signing them out of school to attend the fayre with yourself. This way we can have children ready for collection between 1:50 and 2:10 which will then allow remaining children to visit the fayre with the class teacher. Our Christmas Fayre will have enterprise stalls from each class, a coffee and cake room (P7 class), parent council hot dog stand and raffle/tombola prizes. We will also be **renting out tables** to community members for £20 each to sell their goods. Please feel free to invite any craft/food makers along to rent a table. We are asking for all for donations for our raffle/tombola and for cakes for the coffee room in advance please. Please note we can no longer take donations of alcoholic beverages due to GCC's new policy of no alcohol on council premises. We look forward to receiving your donations and to welcoming you to the fayre on the 5th December. Primary 7 will run their **Christmas Enterprise activities** for all pupils on Wednesday 20th December.



Christmas shows: This year there will be two shows, a Nursery, P1 and P2 nativity and a P3 to P7 show. This year we will also be inviting residents from local assisted and care homes to a performance of each show.



Christmas through the Ages: Friday 15th December 13:30 to 14:45 performed by Primaries 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7

A Wriggly Nativity: Tuesday 19th December 9:30 to 10:30 by Nursery, P1 and P2

Christmas parties: Please note your child can bring in different clothes for the party to change into in school.

Nursery am children: Thursday 14th December

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Primary 1: Thursday 14th December

Primary 2: Thursday 14th December

Primary 3: Tuesday 19th December

Primary 4: Tuesday 19th December

Primary 5: Tuesday 12th December

Primary 6: Tuesday 12th December

Primary 7: Thursday 21st December



Christmas lunch will be on Thursday 14th December. Please feel free to wear a Christmas jumper on that day and ensure you have pre-ordered Christmas lunch on ParentPay.

Caldercuil Parent Council

Our Parent Council meets termly throughout the year, everyone is welcome and we look forward to hearing your views and ideas. We thank our parent council for organising fund raising events and supporting activities and our learning.





Information and Reminders

- **Breakfast Club:** Breakfast club runs from 8am to 9am. Last breakfast will be served at 8:45am. If your child is attending breakfast club please make sure they enter through the **main door of the school** and go straight to the hall.
- Please ensure your child arrives on time for the start of school this is really important to allow for routines and structures to be in place allowing all to settle into their daily activities quickly.
- For obvious safety reasons please do NOT allow your children to walk through the school carpark on arrival or departure.
- A reminder to all parents and families that the school carpark is strictly for staff only.
- We encourage all children to be outdoors even in light rain therefore as we move into autumnal weather please make sure your child has a jacket and sensible footwear. The school can provide waterproof jackets and wellie boots if required.
- If you know your child is going to be absent please either contact the absence line on : 0141 287 0039 OR call the school office before 9:30am.
- The school has a uniform station just inside the main entrance, please help yourself to any uniform you require.
- Please be aware that at this time of year head lice can become prominent. Please check your child and use preventative actions, should you require assistance please contact the school office.
- All medications handed into school must go through the correct procedures and paperwork completed. Please note we cannot give a child medication unless it is a prescription with their name on it.
- Jewellery, piercings and false nails: The Glasgow City Council Policy aims to keep all safe during physical activity. Please ensure your child can remove their own jewellery and do not have nail extensions on PE days.
- PE: On PE days your child may come to school in PE clothes but wearing a Caldercuilt sweatshirt/cardigan on top. PE clothes should be loose fitting bottoms/shorts and a plain T-shirt. Football colours are not allowed to be worn.
- Please remember to pre-order your child's lunch on Parent Pay to prevent confusion and upset

Dates and holidays

All school holidays can be found here

<https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=17024>

Schools close at 2.30 pm on Friday, 22 December 2023

Monday, 25 December 2023 - Friday, 5 January 2024 (Christmas holidays)

Schools return on Monday, 8 January 2024

February mid-term break : Monday, 12 February 2024 and Tuesday, 13 February 2024

Wednesday, 14 February 2024 (In-service day)

Spring Holiday (Easter): Schools close at 2.30 pm on Thursday, 28 March 2024

Good Friday 29 March 2024, Easter Monday 1 April 2024

Monday, 1 April - Friday, 12 April 2024 (Spring Break)

Schools return on Monday, 15 April 2024