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Term 3 2022-23



Keeping You Posted

Primary 1b

Happy New Year! I hope you had a great Christmas break. I am looking forward to an exciting school term full of learning. P1b P.E. days are Tuesday (with Mrs Nolan) and Wednesday (with Miss Murray). Children should avoid wearing any jewellery, and should have indoor shoes on these days. Homework will be given out on a Monday and should be returned/submitted via Seesaw on the Friday.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact via Seesaw.

Miss Murray



### Home Learning & Digital Approaches

You will have received a copy of your child's log in details to the three platforms above. Teachers will use these to share information with parents about their children's learning and to set some homework activities in reading and numeracy. Please save these websites or download from your app store on electronic devices at home to further support your child's learning. Please contact the school if you require any assistance.

### Parent Pay & Parent Portal



Your child has been issued with log in details for both platforms. Please ask Mrs MacAulay at the school office for another copy if you do not have these!



[parentsportal.scot](https://parentsportal.scot)

**Parent Pay** is the online payment solution used in all mainstream primary and secondary schools in Glasgow. ParentPay is used to pay for all school trips, meals, concert tickets, uniforms, etc and will enable us to remove all cash and cheques from schools. In addition, you can now pre-order your child's lunches.

**Parents Portal** will provide access to information about school, allow you to complete the annual data check, update your child's details, view the school calendar and complete electronic permission slips and forms. This will reduce the need printing of letters.

## **Health and Wellbeing**

P.E. lessons with Mrs Nolan will focus on Fitness. We will also learn about Dance and movement. We will continue to work also on developing emotional literacy and self-regulation using Paths, and celebrate our Pupil of the Day with compliments. Pupil of the day compliments will be sent home via Seesaw.

## **Expressive Arts**

Through our Scotland topic, we will explore Scottish music, textiles and Scottish country dance. We will take part in body percussion activities and perform some of our own music. We will take part in some Scottish country dancing and learn about the Highland Games. We will also explore some drama through some Scots stories.

## **Religious & Moral Education**

This term, we will be learning about Christian celebrations such as Christmas and Easter. By the end of the term, we will be able to retell the story of Christmas and Easter and explain why Christians celebrate these events. We will be able to discuss and compare traditions in different countries. This term, we will learn about Chinese New Year and how it is celebrated all over the world.

## **Social Studies/Sciences/Technologies**

**Social Studies:** Our topic this term will be Scotland. In this we will learn some Scots vocabulary, learn about different cities in Scotland and explore some traditional clothing.

**Science:** This term, we will be learning all about weather. Children will learn about the water cycle and be able to sequence the different stages of the water cycle. Children will also explore the different states of water.

## **Numeracy & Mathematics**

**Numeracy**—This term, we will be consolidating our knowledge of numbers to 20 by sequencing and ordering numbers to 20, identifying numbers before and after 20. We will work on developing our strategies in addition and subtraction by counting on or back. We will also begin to look at multiplication and division by getting children to double and halve numbers.

**Maths**—This term, we will be learning about 2D and 3D shape, patterns, symmetry and how to use directional language. You can

## **Literacy**

**Reading**—This term we will continue to develop our decoding skills. We will develop our skills in predicting, answering and asking questions and finding information from a text. Please continue to practise reading at home with homework and reading books assigned to your child on Reading Planet.

**Writing**—This term, we are continuing to draw a picture and talk about it. Children are learning to form their own sentence and develop their independence in sounding out the words they would like to write. Children should be encouraged to practise letter formation at home to ensure their writing is legible.

**Listening & Talking**—In Listening and talking, we will be developing our skills further during lessons with Mrs Nolan. Children will be able to listen for instructions and show that they are listening through body language. We will continue to develop our listening skills with our Reading books, by answering and asking questions about the story. Children will learn a Scottish poem this term and develop performance skills by performing the poem in front of a small group.

## **Attendance & Latecoming**

Overall attendance and late coming statistics at Camstradden Primary are not where we would like them to be. Every child has a right to an education and it is the expectation that every child will attend school each day on time. Being late for school impacts on many things including pupils' attainment as well as their social and emotional development.

We have identified poor attendance as being our biggest barrier to learning. Almost all class teachers have shared that if the children who are regularly absent from school were in school on time each day, their attainment would improve significantly. As such a relentless focus for us this term will be on improving attendance and reducing late coming. This focus is supported by the HMI Inspectors who visited us in December which will be highlighted in their upcoming report. We have provided further information within this month's newsletter in relation to late coming and attendance.

Each month we will share with families the average late coming and attendance rates for each class on our website. We hope that this, alongside our Improving Attendance Action Plan, will help to improve attendance at Camstradden Primary and significantly reduce late coming.

## Attendance & Latecoming October - December 2022

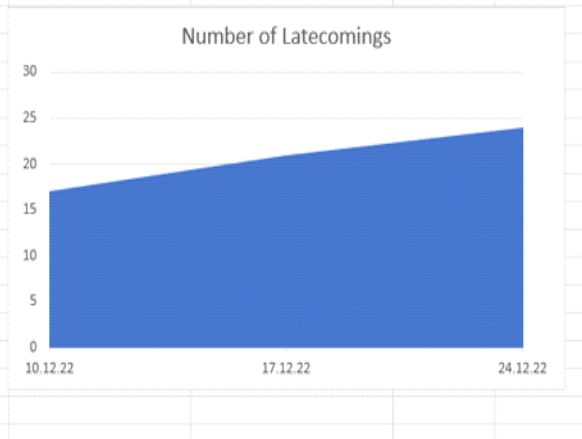
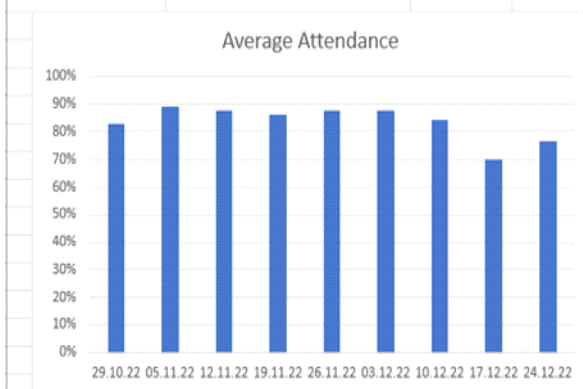
### Weekly Attendance Primary 1

Week Ending	Average Attendance
29.10.22	83%
05.11.22	89%
12.11.22	88%
19.11.22	86%
26.11.22	88%
03.12.22	88%
10.12.22	84%
17.12.22	70%
24.12.22	76%



### Weekly Latecomings

Week Ending	Number of Latecomings
10.12.22	17
17.12.22	21
24.12.22	24



### Reporting Absence

#### How to report your child absent from school:

You should call the Pupil Absence Reporting (PAR) Team on: 0141 287 0039 to report your child absent from school. You can call the line every school day from 8:00am. You should call the absence reporting line before 9.30am on the first day of your child's absence.

**Please do not use Seesaw to report your child's absence as this may not be seen by school staff and is not GCC protocol for reporting absence.**

### School Pick Up

At Camstradden Primary our primary goal is to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all of our pupils. As such school staff ensure that children in Primary 1 to 4 are escorted from the building at 3pm. All children from Primary 1 to Primary 7 are reminded by their class teacher and through assemblies that if there is nobody there to pick them up or they are unsure of the travelling home arrangements they should remain with their teacher or member of school staff who will contact their parent/carer to clarify. We kindly ask all families to reiterate this message to all children.

We would also like to remind families that school finishes at 3pm. Whilst we appreciate that on occasion circumstances such as traffic or appointments may result in you collecting your child late from school however we kindly ask all families to adhere to the schools opening and closing times and collect their child on time from school at 3pm. We are seeing increasing numbers of children being collected late from school sometimes up to 50 minutes late. This is not something that can be managed by the school long term. All late collections are recorded and where concerns arise we will arrange a meeting to discuss this and any further action with the relevant parent/carer.

#### Office Opening Times

Monday – Thursday 8.30am to 4pm

*Closed from 12.15pm until 1pm for lunch*

Friday 8.30am to 3.30pm

*Closed from 12.15pm until 1pm for lunch*

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