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Keeping You Posted

Primary 2a

Welcome back! We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas break. We are looking forward to the busy term ahead!

Our P.E. days are Monday and Wednesday. Please send children in leggings/joggers and a polo shirt on this day to allow children to take part without changing. Please remove all jewellery and have long hair tied up.

Homework/ reading books will be given out on a Monday and should be returned/submitted by the following Monday. Maths homework will be issued through Sumdog.



Reminder

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!



ParentPay



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 and use of the costly texting system. We will be phasing out the use of texts and letters, so please sign up to this as soon as possible.

Health and Wellbeing

This term we will be learning about being active and respected. We will also be learning about what it means to be nurturing.

We will be using PATHS for Health and Wellbeing and will be building self-confidence by giving compliments to our Pupil of the Day.

Expressive Arts

Art: This term we will be learning to mix secondary colours and develop our skills and knowledge in using tone.

Music: We are focussing on Scottish music this term to link to our topic and developing our skills in rhythm and beat.

Dance & Drama: We are developing our voice control and improvisation and expressing ourselves through dance.

Religious & Moral Education

This term we will be learning about Christian bible stories. We will also be learning about the Christian celebration of Easter and how this is celebrated around the world.

Holi is a Hindu celebration which falls on the 8th of March this year. We will be learning how this is celebrated by Hindu's around the globe and the meaning behind this colourful

Social Studies/Sciences/Technologies

Social Studies: We will explore Scotland, its landmarks, famous people and animals. We will introduce the use of maps.

Science: We will be observing the sun and the moon and looking at how these relate to the length of a day, a month and a year. We will also be learning about forces and magnets and investigating how this makes objects move.

Numeracy & Mathematics

We will be continuing to learn to skip count and will then use this skill when multiplying and dividing.

We will revisit the topic of money and begin learning how to give change. We will begin telling the time using digital and analogue clocks and will investigate the number of days in each month using calendars.

To link with our topic we will learn to read a map and give 2 figure grid references.

Literacy

Reading— Non fiction reading will be our focus this term. We will be learning to use a contents page, an index page and to locate information using these. We will continue daily practise of common words and will have instructional reading sessions four times a week.

Writing—Daily writing opportunities occur across the curriculum. We will be focussing on developing our range of vocabulary and use of adjectives within our writing. We will continue to develop our use of punctuation and will be learning to use conjunctions when writing independently. Writing Focus—

- Recount
- Setting and Characterisation

Listening & Talking—In Listening and talking, we will be developing our skills further during our Talkabout sessions. Over the

Attendance & Latecoming

Overall attendance and late coming statics at Camstradden Primary are not where we would like them to be. Every child has a right to an education and it 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 months 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

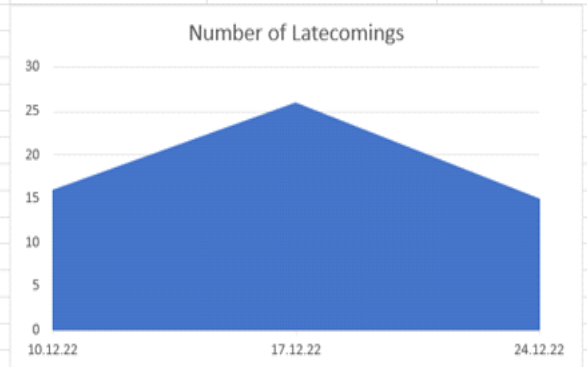
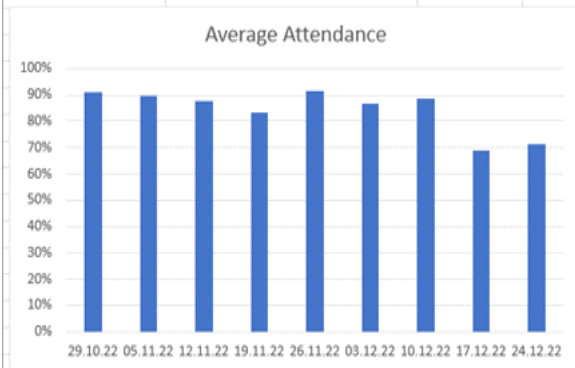
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Week Ending	Average Attendance
29.10.22	91%
05.11.22	90%
12.11.22	88%
19.11.22	83%
26.11.22	92%
03.12.22	87%
10.12.22	89%
17.12.22	69%
24.12.22	71%



Weekly Latecomings

Week Ending	Number of Latecomings
10.12.22	16
17.12.22	26
24.12.22	15



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

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Contact Us On—0141 944 2971

If there is no one available to take your call please leave a message and we will get back to you as soon as possible. Alternatively you can email the school—headteacher@camstradden-pri.glasgow.sch.uk