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Keeping You Posted

Primary 7

Welcome back! We are looking forward to an exciting school term full of school trips, transition events and working with other educators across the city. Our P.E. days are Monday and Friday. Children will need a full PE kit, to remove any jewelry, and have long hair tied up please. Homework will be given out on a Monday and should be returned/submitted via Seesaw on or before the next Monday. If you have any questions, please use Seesaw.

Mrs Goodyear



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 to access these.

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

We will work along visiting Football Specialists to learn more about the importance of a healthy, active lifestyle. We will continue to work also on developing emotional literacy and self-regulation using Paths, and celebrate our Pupil of the Day with compliments. P.E. lessons with Mrs Nolan will focus on Ultimate Frisbee!

Expressive Arts

Art: we will focus on Sculpture to represent different areas of learning.

Music: we will be composing soundtracks and learning some World War 2 songs..

Dance & Drama: We will be exploring our World War 2 topic through the use of Dance and Drama later in the term.

Religious & Moral Education

This term we will be learning about Diversity and celebrating the values, beliefs, moral and religious identities that make up our rich Scottish culture. This learning will be linked with our Social Subjects topic and include problem solving to support different groups within our Drumchapel community.

Social Studies/Sciences/Technologies

Social Studies: we will look at the Diversity of Scottish culture and link with learning to RME first. After half term, we will be learning all about World War 2!

Science: we will be carrying out lots of experiments to better understand our human bodies and their needs, linking this to our Healthy Lifestyle learning. We will also discover more about micro-organisms!

Numeracy & Mathematics

This term we will be focusing on extending our knowledge of the four operations, fractions, and 2D and 3D shapes. The class will have regular opportunities to use the iPads for additional practise, challenge, and assessment of their progress. Please help support practise with times tables, and telling the time or using calendars at home. Links for games to support learning, including Sum Dog, will often form part of Maths homework to be accessed via Seesaw.

Literacy

Reading—This term we will be focusing on the following reading strategies: clarifying, sequencing and summarising. We will be using a wide variety of fiction and non-fiction texts in a range of genres and a mix of topics. We will also be voting for our choice of World War 2 themed class novel.

Writing—Daily writing opportunities occur across the curriculum. We will be focusing on short story, report and explanation writing this term. There will be more opportunities to investigate layout and publishing, using technology. Writing Focus—

- FICTION – Short Story
- NON-FICTION – Report, and Explanation

Listening & Talking—In Listening and talking, we will be developing our skills further during lessons with Mrs Nolan. Over the course of the term, we will plan and deliver solo talks. We will also apply our group talk skills in daily work.

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

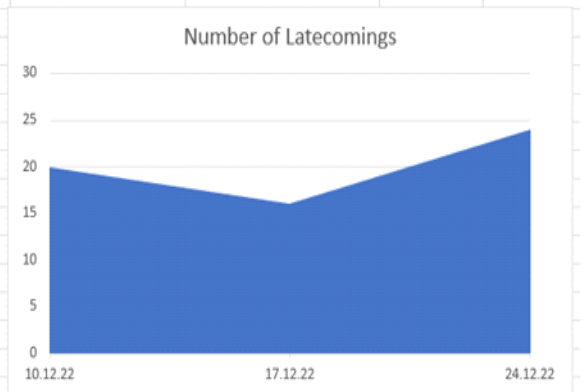
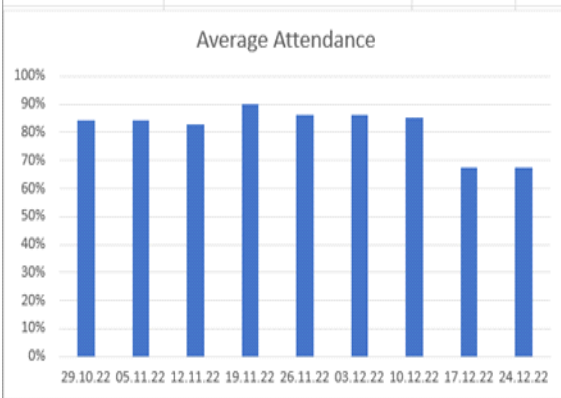
Primary 7

Week Ending	Average Attendance
29.10.22	84%
05.11.22	84%
12.11.22	83%
19.11.22	90%
26.11.22	86%
03.12.22	86%
10.12.22	85%
17.12.22	68%
24.12.22	68%



Weekly Latecomings

Week Ending	Number of Latecomings
10.12.22	20
17.12.22	16
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

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Contact Us On—0141 944 2971