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February 2023



Newsletter

Happy February Everyone! We have had a busy start to the year and are excited about what lies ahead for us at Team Camstradden. Look out for our Term 3 Class Curriculum Newsletters that have been sent to families digitally and have also been uploaded to our website. These give a useful overview of the learning taking place across the school. Please note paper copies of Curriculum Newsletters will not be issued.

Our New Years Resolution at Camstradden Primary is for everyone to attend school on time each day. We operate from 9:00 – 15:00. The start of the school day is vitally important, as routines, expectations, learning intentions and news are shared at this time. The expectation is that everyone lines up outside at 09:00. Late coming will be formally recorded and monitored. All lateness adds up, meaning that some children are regularly missing between one hour and one day of education each week. This affects attainment and progress.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, or there's something I can help with, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Miss Davidson (Acting Head Teacher)



No dogs

Dogs

Dogs should **not** be brought into the playground. We have pupils with a fear of dogs, and have had issues with fouling. We appreciate your help with this.



No dogs

Passports

We are often asked to counter-sign passport applications. Mr Clark and Mrs Reside are happy to do this, as long as one of your children has been at Camstradden Primary for at least two years. The easiest way to apply for a passport is online. More information can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/browse/abroad/passports>



Allergies

Please remember that, due to a number of pupils with severe nut allergies, products containing nuts should not be brought into school. This includes the Kinder Bueno range and anything with Nutella.





Celebrating Success



Congratulations to our very own Mr Reid who achieved GTCS Accreditation for all of his hard work in Numeracy. We are so thankful and grateful to Mr Reid who has worked tirelessly to develop our Numeracy curriculum and provide targeted support to our pupils in recent years.

Well done Mr Reid!

Parent Council Contact Info

Please get in touch with the Parent Council if you would like to raise any issues.

camstraddenparentcouncil@gmail.com



Head Lice

Head lice are very common in young children. May we remind you of the importance of regular screening of your child's hair to prevent the spread of head lice. You can receive advice about head lice treatment from your local pharmacist. It is helpful if long hair is tied back or secured in a way which prevents hair to hair contact with another child. To find out more information about treating head lice click on the following link—

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>



Our Carpark

Please remember that our carpark is closed between the hours of 8.45am and 9.15am and 2.45pm and 3.15pm. This is to ensure the safety and wellbeing of our children and families during school entry and exit times. ***Please do not park in front of the school gates during these times. Parking here causes a dangerous obstruction and will prevent Emergency Services gaining access in the event of an emergency. Any vehicles blocking the exit will be reported to Police Scotland.***

Uniform

All pupils are expected to wear a uniform. We are flexible in our approach to this, being mindful of different preferences and the cost of the school day. Our school colours are **navy** and **yellow**. Please remember that **no** football colours (*regardless of team or country*) should be worn, and neither should football shoes with studs.

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/gc/camstraddenprimaryschoolgcc/our-school->

School Pick Up Times

We would 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.



Contact Details:

0141 944 2971

Headteacher@camstradden-pri.glasgow.sch.uk

Child Protection Co-ordinator: Miss Davidson (HT)

Deputy Child Protection Co-ordinator: Mr Clark (DHT)



Please ask to speak to a member of the Senior Leadership Team if you have any concerns about our pupils.

Road Safety Awareness

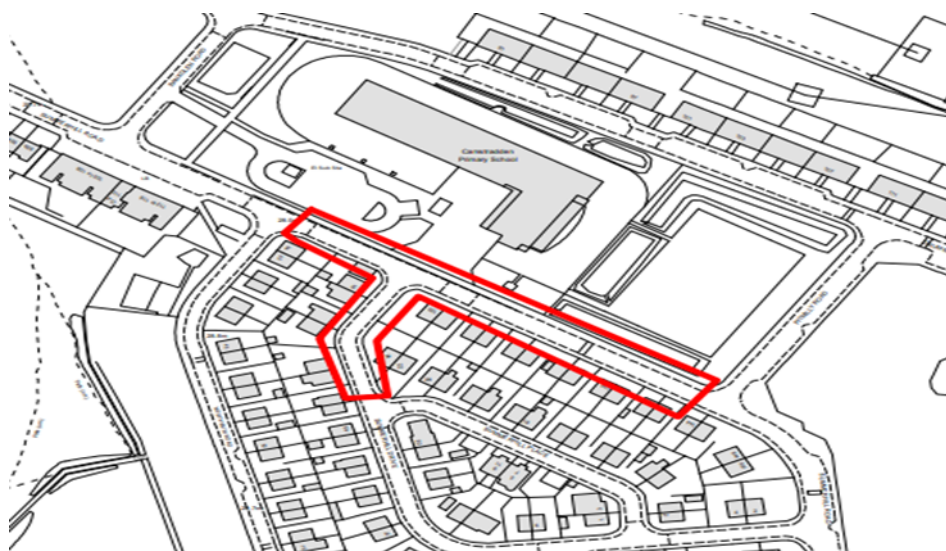
Please be aware that the 'School Streets' scheme is in operation at Camstradden Primary. The scheme closes a series of identified roads, listed below, to moving traffic between the hours of 8.30am and 9.15am and 2.30pm and 3.15pm. This scheme is to ensure the safety of children and families traveling to and from school.

Residents and blue badge holders are exempt, so there may be a small number of vehicles traveling within the zone during restricted times. Prominent signs have been erected in these areas to advise drivers of the restrictions.

Any unauthorised person found driving a vehicle within the temporary pedestrian/cycle zone during restricted hours will be subject to a minimum fine of £50 issued by Police Scotland.

Streets included in the zone at Camstradden Primary are –

- Summerhill Road (*after junction with Northmuir to Pitmully Road, taking in Summerhill Drive to junction with Summerhill Place*)





Attendance & Late Coming



Our Approach

Attending school and taking part in learning is a child's right and is fundamental to making sure that our young people become successful learners, confident individuals, effective contributors and responsible citizens. At Camstradden Primary we are committed to improving the life chances of all of our young people. For children and young people to succeed in education they need to attend school to access the learning and support that will help them to achieve and attain.

In Glasgow City Council when a pupil's attendance level falls below 95% this becomes a concern for the school and as such we will follow council and school procedures to support our families to ensure their child attends school on time each day. Further information about our approaches to improving attendance can be found on the *Improving Attendance* section on our school website –

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/gc/camstraddenprimaryschoolgcc/improving-attendance/>

Parent/Carer Responsibilities

As the parent/carer of the child you are legally responsible to provide an education for your child. If you have not engaged with the school to discuss and implement ways to support and improve your child's attendance you will be invited to a Maximising Attendance Meeting at the school. We understand that there can be occasions when it can be difficult to ensure your child attends school regularly and there can be reasonable excuses as to why a child cannot attend school. There may be information that the school is not aware of that you could share. It is in your interest to attend any scheduled meetings to discuss your child's attendance and the ways to support your child's attendance at school.

Late Coming

As part of our monitoring of attendance and late -coming we will contact families whose children are regularly late to school to offer support and guidance. It is important that pupils arrive in school on time each day. At Camstradden Primary the school day starts at 9am. It is important that pupils arrive in school prior to this time and line up in the playground with their peers when the bell sounds at 9am. The playground is supervised by school staff from 8.45am.

Late Coming – The Facts

- Late coming can affect achievement
- Late coming disrupts lessons
- Late coming can embarrass and/or upset your child
- 5 minutes late every day adds up to 3 days of learning lost each year
- 10 minutes adds up to 6 days of learning lost each year
- 15 minutes adds up to 10 days of learning lost each year
- 20 minutes adds up to 13 days of learning lost each year
- 30 minutes adds up to 19 days of learning lost each year



Reporting Absence

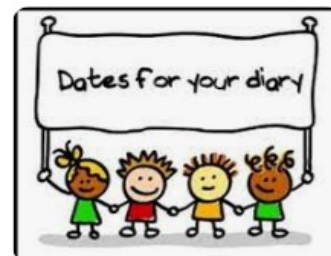
How to report your child absent from school:

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.

Dates for the Diary



February 2023

- **Monday the 6th of February 2023**

Childsmile Fluoride Varnish—Primary 4-7

- **Friday the 10th of February 2023**

Primary 6-5 Assembly Showcase (9-9.30am). All Primary 6/5 families welcome.

- **Monday 13th February 2023 and Tuesday 14th February 2023**

February Mid Term Break—School closed to pupils

- **Wednesday 15th February 2023**

Inservice Day—School closed to pupils

- **Friday 24th February**

Purple Friday—All of our staff and pupils are encouraged to wear something purple to school to celebrate diversity.

March 2023

- **Friday 3rd of March 2023**

Primary 3 Assembly Showcase (9-9.30am). All Primary 3 families welcome.

- **Tuesday 7th of March 2023**

Parents Evening—Appointment times to follow.

- **Wednesday 8th March 2023**

EAL Parents Day—Appointment times to follow.

- **Thursday 16th March 2023**

Parents Evening—Appointment times to follow.

- **Friday 17th March 2023**

Dress Down Day—All money raised will go to School Funds which directly benefits our pupils.

- **Friday 24th of March 2023**

Primary 5 Assembly Showcase (9-9.30am). All Primary 5 families welcome.

School Term Dates 2022-2023

December - Christmas and New Year

- Schools close at 2.30 pm on Thursday, 22 December 2022
- Friday, 23 December 2022 - Tuesday 3 January 2023 (Christmas holidays)

January

- Schools return on Wednesday 4 January 2023

February mid term break

- Monday, 13 February 2023
- Tuesday, 14 February 2023
- Wednesday, 15 February 2023 (In-service day)

April - Spring Holiday (Easter)

- Schools close at 2.30 pm on Friday, 31 March 2023
- Monday, 3 April - Friday, 14 April 2023 (Spring Break)
- Schools return on Monday, 17 April 2023

May

- Monday, 1 May 2023 (May Holiday)
- Monday 8 May 2023 (Coronation Public Holiday)
- Thursday, 25 May 2023 (In-service day)
- Friday, 26 May 2023 and Monday, 29 May 2023 (May Weekend)

June

- Schools Close at 1.00 pm on Friday 23 June 2023