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Keeping You Posted

Primary 2b

Welcome back to the last term of Primary 2! Our P.E days are still Monday and Wednesday so please remember to remove all jewellery on these days. Reading books will be issued on a Monday and Wednesday, please read these at home to support reading development.



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

### 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 covering our Relationships, Sexual Health and Parenthood lessons. We will be learning about friendships, privacy and about our bodies. We will also be learning about people who help us in our community.

We will continue using PATHS to develop our understanding of our emotions and how to express them.

## **Expressive Arts**

This term we will be learning all about symmetry and will be looking for and creating symmetrical patterns. We will explore the use of printing to create our own art work.

In drama, we will begin creating our own short scenes with a partner and as a small group. We will use body language, facial expression and tone of voice.

## **Religious & Moral Education**

This term we will be continuing to read and discuss Christian stories from the bible. We will also be learning about Judaism and religious festivals from this time of year.

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

We will be learning about lifecycles and what plants and animals need to stay healthy and grow. We will be planting and caring for flowers and fruits and vegetables. We then hope to hold a Camstradden Garden Shop later in the term to sell our plants as part of an enterprise venture.

## **Numeracy & Mathematics**

We will be exploring capacity and volume this term and will also be learning about area. We will be plotting grid references and learning to use these on a simple map to navigate. We will continue to practise counting on and back to help with addition and subtraction and will continue to focus on our times tables. Our work on multiplication and division will also continue weekly.

## **Literacy**

This term we will be reading non-fiction texts related to our topic. We will be learning about the features of non-fiction books and how to locate information quickly. We will also continue to practise our reading strategies daily in class with a focus on finding and clarifying information.

This term our focus for writing will be report writing. We will learn to gather information from books and tv clips, create simple notes on what we have learned and then use this to write a short report. Later in the term we will also revisit character descriptions and settings. We are encouraging children to now write with greater independence and to begin using adjectives and conjunctions.

We will be focussing on short talks this term and will encourage children to plan and share a short talk about a topic of their choice later in the term.

## **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

## 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.**

### 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

Contact Us On—0141 944 2971

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# April 2023



# Primary 2

## Average attendance

# 86.38%

**Lowest** three pupil  
attendance rates

45.71%

47.86%

48.57%

**Highest** three pupil  
attendance rates

100%

100%

98.95%

Attendance = Attainment = Wellbeing