

CROFTFOOT PRIMARY

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HEADTEACHER MESSAGE



Dear Parents/Carers

I am delighted to share the wonderful outcomes of our recent fundraising efforts, which have greatly benefited our school community. Thanks to your generous support during our Pumpkin Picking event, at which we raised almost £1400, the commission from Cauliflower Cards, and our Break the Rules dress down day, we have been able to enhance our resources for the children.

With the funds raised, we have purchased three Tonie Story Boxes for the infant classes, which will provide engaging storytelling experiences for our youngest learners. Additionally, we have bought ten new scooters to promote outdoor learning and physical activity among the children. We have also purchased a selection of new picture books and novels, recommended by the children, and have been able to add to both our class and school libraries.

We have also organised some exciting events for our children this term. On 2nd December, we will host a Magic Show featuring Gary Dunn the Magician, which promises to be a delightful experience for the children. Following the Santa Dash, we will treat the children to an ice cream from our visiting Mr Whippy Ice Cream Van, adding a sweet touch to their festive celebrations. Furthermore, we have allocated funds to ensure our Christmas parties are memorable and enjoyable for all.

We are incredibly grateful for your continued support and involvement, which makes such initiatives possible. Your contributions not only enhance our educational environment but also foster a sense of community and help us to create "magic memories" for the children.

We look forward to seeing the children enjoy these new resources and events, and we appreciate your ongoing partnership in making our school a vibrant place for learning.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs Leitch
Head Teacher

**THANK
YOU**



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CHRISTMAS AT CROFTFOOT



We have decided to change things up a little bit this year and our Mince Pie Madness event will be replaced by a traditional Christmas Concert. We will be hosting this event at Croftfoot Parish church on Thursday 11th December at 9.45am. Tickets for this event will be available via Parent Pay from Tuesday 2nd December.

Our theme this year is "Christmas Crooners" and we are excited to announce that there will be special performances from our school choir and a sneak peak of our Primary 1 Nativity.



SANTA DASH: 18TH DECEMBER

Our annual Santa Dash is a key event in our school calendar. The children are provided with the opportunity to participate in a number of festive challenges before dashing around the school to the finish line!

The children can choose to dress up or dress down for this event, but please ensure that they wear comfortable shoes and bring a warm jacket as all events will be outdoors.

The children have been provided with sponsor forms and Mr McDermott will announce when sponsor money should be handed in to the school. The children will receive a special treat once they have completed their challenges.



SCHOOL OFFICE



Our school office is run by Mrs Paterson (Mon - Fri) and Ms Innes (Tues - Fri). Please note that Ms Innes does not work Mondays and Mrs Paterson should be your main point of contact on this day apaterson@croftfoot-pri.glasgow.sch.uk linnes@croftfoot-pri.glasgow.sch.uk

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WE WANT TO BE OUTDOORS!

As winter draws near, we have been discussing "wet playtimes" with the children and our children have told us that they still want to be outdoors as much as possible.

Many of our children struggle with "wet play" as they feel that they don't have the chance to move around when in the classroom at break times.

Please ensure that your child brings a waterproof jacket to school and wears suitable shoes to enable them to be outdoors as much as possible over the next few months. Children can bring wellies with them to change into too if they wish. It is also worth packing a spare pair of socks and leggings/joggers in your child's bag.



ROAD SAFETY

I would like to thank our Family Partnership for escalating our concerns regarding health and safety at drop off and pick times. We have been working closely with local councillors who have sought the support of the traffic police to carry out regular spot checks and fines will be issued to drivers who park on the zig zag lines or who pose a serious danger to others by double parking whilst their child exits the vehicle.

I would like to remind parents/carers that you are not allowed to park in our school grounds at any time, this includes parents/carers who use our on site after school care service. We must work together as a community to ensure that our children are safe.

STAFFING UPDATE

Mrs McCourt, who has unfortunately been absent due to ill health, will retire from her post at Croftfoot Primary on Thursday 27th November. Miss Kennedy will remain in her post with Primary 7, hopefully until the end of this session. Mrs McCourt has over 30 years service in education, with Glasgow City Council and we wish her a happy and healthy retirement. We look forward to welcoming Mrs McCourt back into school on Thursday 27th November for a celebration tea.

Happy Retirement



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UNACCEPTABLE CUSTOMER ACTIONS POLICY

From time to time, incidents occur between pupils. When this happens, we fully understand that parents may feel worried, frustrated, or keen to resolve matters quickly. However, it is very important that parents and carers do not approach, challenge, or confront other parents and carers or pupils about incidents that happen in school.

These situations must be handled by school staff, who are trained to investigate fairly, support the children involved, and ensure the wellbeing of everyone. When adults confront each other directly, it can escalate tensions, cause additional distress, and make it more difficult for the school to resolve the issue effectively.

Our request is also in line with Glasgow City Council's Policy on Unacceptable Actions by Customers, which sets out clear expectations for respectful communication and the appropriate handling of concerns. The policy notes that behaviour such as confrontation, verbal aggression, or attempts to resolve issues directly with other families is not appropriate and can lead to misunderstandings or conflict. Parents/carers who present as aggressive or confrontational may be prohibited from entering our school building and grounds.

If you have a concern about an incident involving your child, please contact the school directly. We will always listen, investigate, and take the necessary steps to support the children and address any issues. Thank you for your cooperation and for helping us maintain a positive and safe school environment for all children and families.

A CROFTFOOT CITIZEN ...

Anti-Bullying Charter




1. All children and young people have human rights. Bullying is a breach of Children's Rights and children need to be protected from bullying behaviour.
2. Bullying behaviour is never acceptable.
3. Bullying behaviour needs to be challenged and effectively addressed.
4. Adults have an important role to play.
5. Bullying behaviour will not be tolerated; this helps to create an environment where bullying behaviour is less likely to thrive.
6. Children have the right to protection from all forms of physical or mental violence, injury or abuse.

We will:

- Listen
- Acknowledge and address bullying behaviour
- Respect and support everyone involved
- Record, monitor and review bullying behaviour



If you have any concern about bullying behaviour, please speak to any of the following or another adult, parent/carer:



Head Teacher



Depute Head



Depute Head



Compassion
We all deserve to be treated with kindness and respect.



Community
We all belong. We support each other and make things better.

A Croftfoot Primary Citizen is ...

Ready	Responsible	Safe
To learn To listen To follow instructions To challenge ourselves	For our words and actions For the choices we make For our learning For our looking after our learning environments and resources	Keeping ourselves safe Keeping others safe Helping to create a safe environment
 <p>Curiosity We ask questions, wonder why and look for creative solutions.</p> 	 <p>Commitment We are committed to doing things our own way and doing it right.</p> 	 <p>Compassion We don't believe in judgement, we are kind and we help others.</p> 
 <p>Community We all deserve to feel welcome and that they belong.</p> 	 <p>Courage We stand up for what is right and we don't give up.</p> 	