



Hyndland Headlines

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WELCOME BACK

Dear Parent/Carers,

A very warm welcome to our first newsletter of Session 2017/18. In particular, we welcome all our new Primary 1 families and the many other families that have joined us throughout the rest of the school. We hope you all had a pleasant summer break and are delighted to see the pupils back in school and already progressing on their learning journey. Below we have included updated school information, activities and events that are already underway this term. May we also remind you that as well as letters and texts, we are also using our school Twitter page to communicate updates and information. We look forward to another successful year working in partnership to ensure our children continue to develop as: Successful Learners, Responsible Citizens, Confident Individuals and Effective Contributors.

STAFFING UPDATE

We welcome Mr Stephen Frame, our new Depute Headteacher (P1-P3). Mr Frame has already been getting to know our children and families and is enjoying being a part of our staff team. We are also delighted that just before the summer we got confirmation that Mrs Anna Timms has been made a permanent member of our teaching staff. Mrs Timms will be teaching Primary 4A this year. Ms Moir will continue to cover Mrs McFadyen's maternity leave and Mrs Campbell and Mrs MacQuarrie will be providing learning support, covering the long term absence of Ms Mclaughlin. As part of our Pupil Equity Funding, Mrs MacNicol will be supporting pupils across the school and Mrs Wynn has been appointed as our Pupil Equity Fund PT. This means that Primary 5A will now be taught by Mrs Wynn (Mon, Tues and Wed mornings) and Ms Chambers (Wednesday afternoons, Thursdays and Fridays)

ATTENDANCE AND LATECOMING

A reminder that attendance and being at school on time are vital in ensuring your child can progress in their learning. In particular, children arriving at school late can mean they are missing important teaching and learning time. Can all parents/carers support us by ensuring that your child is at school for 09.00 am. If your child is unwell and cannot attend then please contact the City Council Pupil Absence Line to notify us rather than call the school directly. We appreciate that the line can be busy in the morning but this way across the city absence is communicated electronically and efficiently. Thank you for your on-going support.

THE PUPIL ABSENCE LINE TELEPHONE NUMBER IS 0141-287-0039

SCHOOL LUNCHES AND BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast Club is £2 per day (if you have more than one child, the others pay £1) open 8am until 8.40am through the glass doors. **(A reminder that there is NO playground supervision before 8.45am and we therefore recommend that pupils are not left in the playground prior to this time.)** School lunches are free for all P1-3 pupils and £1.90 for pupils in P4-7. Free school meal applications can be made through Glasgow City Council Website and applications should be renewed every year before October. We are also in the process of re-issuing our lunch cards for pupils that have school lunches on a regular basis.

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TRAFFIC ISSUES

Despite the introduction of the one-way system, we are continuing to have problems with drivers parking on the yellow zig-zags at the entrance of the school. We have also had several incidents with parents displaying aggressive and intimidating behaviour in front of our pupils. Can we ask that any issues related to illegal parking or dangerous driving be reported to the local police station and a member of the Senior Leadership Team.



CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENT

Last session we launched our 'Celebrating Achievement' walls in order for pupils to share and celebrate their wider achievements. Pupils are invited to bring in their certificates /medals/trophies and have their photographs taken. They will be asked to write a sentence or two about the talent or skill that they have been developing and this success will be shared with their classmates and displayed for others to see. We look forward to celebrating the children's successes both 'in and out' of school.

SPCA CLASS VISITS

On Thursday 24th August P1 – P3 enjoyed an assembly from the SPCA, with all of our P4-P7 classes enjoying class visits on various topics, including: The Responsibilities of Pet Ownership and Animal Safety. Children participated enthusiastically in playing games, presentations and question and answer sessions. Thanks to our colleagues at SPCA for taking the time to come along and visit our school.

P1 PARENT WORKSHOPS

A big thank you to all that attended our P1 Parent workshops over the last two weeks. It was lovely to see our new families and we hope you found the sessions both welcoming and informative. We look forward to continuing to work in partnership with you in the years ahead.

P4-P7 ART EXHIBITION

Last year we embarked upon a new partnership with Bank of Scotland (Dumbarton Road Branch) Our pupils participated in events for Children in Need, Financial Literacy Workshops and Internet Safety Lessons. This September the branch are raising funds for and have invited our P4-P7 classes to create a piece of Art that will be displayed in the branch. Customers will be invited to make small donations in order to purchase the artwork, with all monies raised going directly to the charity. Our classes are already busy creating beautiful pieces of artwork with a theme of 'What Makes you Happy?' All parents and carers are welcome to pop into the branch to see the displays.

CLASS TRIPS

Both **P4** classes are looking forward to their trip on the **Glasgow City Bus Tour** as part of their Social Studies focus on the city of Glasgow. The pupils will hop on and off the bus, exploring the many interesting and cultural aspects that the city has to offer. Our **P5** pupils are participating in **the Great Scottish Run** on Friday 29th September and our **P6** pupils will be visiting **Scotland Street School** to experience life in a Victorian classroom. As ever, we rely upon and appreciate the support of our parents and carers to help escort classes on these outdoor learning experiences.



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P6/P7 RESIDENTIAL TRIPS

This year we plan to embark on an Overnight Island explorer trip to Millport for our P6 classes in Term 3 and a four night residential trip to Dounans for P7 in Term 4. These trips allow our pupils to engage in a variety of team-building and outdoor learning experiences, as well as providing opportunities for pupils to develop their skills for learning, work and life. Letters will be issued at the start of next week, with details of proposed dates, activities and costs. If you have any queries please contact Mr Byrne via the school office.



P7 SWIMMING

Our first block of swimming is already underway, with our pupils visiting Scotstoun Leisure Centre on a Friday Afternoon. There are a total of three blocks through the session, ensuring that all P7 pupils get the opportunity to develop their swimming skills.

ACTIVE SCHOOLS

Mr O'Mara, our Active Schools Co-ordinator will no longer be based within the school. He along with the rest of the Active Schools Team are located centrally at Cleveden Secondary. However, Mr O'Mara will still work very closely with the school and continue to support our variety of coaches and clubs. He will still visit the school on a regular basis and will very much remain, a valued member of our school community.

TERM 1 - BREAKFAST/ LUNCHTIME/AFTER SCHOOL SPORT CLUBS

We have 13 extra-curricular clubs on offer in Term 1. Letters have already been issued and some of our clubs are already up and running. Most clubs have a maximum of 20 spaces and places are offered on a first come, first served basis. If a pupil does not get a space on a club, their name is added to a reserve list and they will be given priority when the next club for that stage is offered. As well as a group of coaches, a number of our teachers are leading clubs both at lunchtime and after school, we thank them sharing their expertise and giving up their time to facilitate these experiences for our pupils.

DAY	TIME	STAGE	ACTIVITY
Monday	Lunchtime	P5	Basketball
Monday	After School	P5	Taekwondo
Tuesday	Lunchtime	P2	Football
Tuesday	After School	P6/7	Football
Tuesday	After School	P3	Rugby
Wednesday	Lunchtime	P3	Gymnastics
Wednesday	After School	P3	Dodgeball
Thursday	Lunchtime	P6/7	Basketball
Thursday	After School	P4	Multi-sports
Thursday	After School	P5/6	Dance
Friday	Before School	P5	Running Club
Friday	Lunchtime	P6/7	Badminton
Friday	Lunchtime	P2	Taekwondo



*Our Fabulous Parents Garden Group who nurture our school green space, are selling some of the produce from the school garden next Friday (8th September) .Come after 3.15 pm and buy some school gown delicious fruit/veg! *

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P.E TIMETABLE

<u>CLASSES</u>	<u>DAYS</u>
P1 Red	Monday and Friday
P1 Green	Tuesday and Friday
P1 Blue	Tuesday and Wednesday
P2A	Monday and Thursday
P2B	Monday and Thursday
P3A	Wednesday and Thursday
P3B	Wednesday and Thursday
P4A	Tuesday and Thursday
P4B	Tuesday and Thursday
P5A	Tuesday and Friday
P5B	Monday and Tuesday
P6A	Tuesday and Wednesday
P6B	Wednesday and Friday
P7A	Monday and Thursday
P7B	Monday and Thursday



MEDICAL INFORMATION

Any pupil that requires to take medication during the school day must have a medicine administration record from completed by a parent or guardian – these are available from the school office. In P1 –P3 we ask that all pupils with asthma, have a spare inhaler kept centrally in the school office. Our P4-P7 pupils should carry their inhaler with them at all times. Also, a reminder that we are a **NUT FREE** school and we kindly request that pupils **DO NOT** bring any nuts or nut-containing products to school.

FLU IMMUNISATION PROGRAMME

A reminder that all parents/cares that wish their child to be part of the Flu immunisation programme, should return the forms to school by **Monday 4th September**.

TERM 1 - DATES FOR THE DIARY

Wednesday 13th September	Parent Council AGM 7pm
Friday 29th September	P5 Great Scottish Run –Times TBC
September Weekend Holiday	School closed Friday 22nd–Monday 25th September - School resumes Tuesday 26th September at 09.00am
Open Afternoon P1-7	Friday 29th September 2.30-3.00pm
October In-service Day	Friday 13th October – NO PUPILS IN SCHOOL
October Parents' Evenings	Thursday 5th October 3.45pm – 6.45 pm Wednesday 11th October 3.45 pm – 6.45 pm
October Holidays	Monday 16th October until Friday 20th October. Pupils return to school Monday 23rd October at 09.00am.

Next week we will be issuing an Annual Calendar with an overview of important dates for the diary. We hope this will give our families the opportunity to plan ahead for the various events that will be taking place across the school year.

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