



# Keir Hardie Memorial Primary School and Nursery Class



Contents

Staff Update

Contact Information

Dogs

Parent Council

Privilege Time

PE

School Blog

Medical Info

Dates for your Diary

Email request

Head Teacher: Mrs S Queen

01698 274927

## Staff Update

Miss Melvin has taken up the post of 0.4 acting Principal Teacher. She will still be teaching P7 but will also now have management responsibilities.

I would also like to welcome Mrs Cosgrove to our team. She will be in school on Tuesdays and Thursday as an ASNA.

## Contact Information



Can I remind all parents to please update any contact details when they change. There have been a few occasions where we have been unable to contact a parent due to a change in mobile number.

## **Dogs**

There have been a few dogs in the playground recently. Please remember that no dogs are allowed in the playground. This is in line with North Lanarkshire Policy all dogs with the exception of guide dogs are not permitted on school grounds.

## Privilege Time

There has been a change to the way the pupils take part in Privilege time. The children now sign up at the beginning of the week to the activity they would like to participate in. All staff are providing different types of activities for the children to enjoy. Last week we had sewing, hula hooping, arts and crafts and much more!

## Parent Council

Thank you to the Parent council for organising a Hallowe'en disco for the pupils. The kids had a great time. Check out the blog where we will post some of the pictures.

## School Blog:

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/nl/KeirHardieNews/>

Please check out our school blog where you will find information about school events and also see what the pupils have been doing at school.



### Attendance

Regular attendance at school is important and is linked to improved achievements. I will be monitoring our monthly attendance statistics and will send a letter to parents when their child's attendance drops below 80%

I am aware that sometimes absence is unavoidable however, we want our children to do their best and regular attendance will support this.

### **Absence Policy**

If your child has a medical/dental appointment during the school day please advise our office staff by handing in the appointment letter which they will copy for our records. It is vitally important that we are informed of all appointments during the course of the school day as this will ensure your child receives the correct absence mark.

Parents and carers are reminded to inform the school office before 9.30am if your child is unable to attend from the start of the school day on the first day of absence. Failure to do so will result in school staff sending a text to the main contact provided for the child. This is important for child safety and also ensures your child receives the correct absence mark.

Parents and carers are required to inform the school by letter or telephone if their child is likely to be absent for some time, and to give the child a note on his or her return to school confirming the reason for absence.

If you require to collect your child early from school then you must sign them out at the office.

Children whose attendance falls below 80% will be notified in writing by the school.

## PE Reminder



**An increasing number of pupils are coming to school without the proper PE kit. All pupils need to bring shorts, T-shirt and gym shoes so that they are able to fully participate in PE lessons.**

**All pupils will participate in two PE session per week.**

If your child is unable to participate then please inform the class teacher in writing.

Please remember that jewellery should be removed for PE sessions.

Primary 1      Tuesday & Thursday

Primary 2/3    Wednesday & Thursday

Primary 3      Monday & Friday

Primary 3/4    Monday & Wednesday

Primary 4/5    Tuesday & Wednesday

Primary 5/6    Tuesday & Thursday

Primary 6      Tuesday & Friday

Primary 7      Monday & Friday

Primary 5 pupils are still attending swimming at Wishaw sports Centre on Thursdays.



### **Medical Information**

Please inform staff of any medical conditions that may affect them at school.

If your child requires prescribed medication during the school day please speak with a member of staff.

Children are not allowed to have medication in school without the completion of a medical permission slip

### **Kilbowie**

Not long until our Primary 7 pupils go to Kilbowie Outdoor Centre. Please make sure all monies are paid.

Any parent who wants to discuss any medical conditions, medicine or any other queries please contact the school office to make an appointment to speak with Mrs Queen or Miss Melvine.



# Diary Dates

Kilbowie Monday 6th November—Friday 10th November

Anti –Bullying Assembly Wednesday 15th November 9.30am  
led by P6 P6 parents welcome to attend.

Inset day—School closed Monday 20th November  
to pupils

Christmas Concerts Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th December

Nursery Concert Thursday 7th December

School Panto Wednesday 13th December

Christmas Service 21st December



Monday 11th December Primary 5

Thursday 14th December Primary 6

Monday 18th December Primary 3

Monday 18th December after  
school Primary 7

Tuesday 19th December Primary 4

Wednesday 20th am Nursery Party

Wednesday 20th December pm Primary 1 & 2

As a school we consider how Eco friendly we can be. I would like to use email as one of the ways to communicate with parents.

To start this I would like to email the newsletter to any parents who would prefer an electronic copy rather than paper.

The newsletter will be posted on the school blog and a paper copy will be displayed in the school reception area.

If you would like to receive the newsletter to your email address please return the tear off slip below.

By receiving the newsletter electronically this will support our eco efforts helping us to save paper and the environment.

Thank you

Mrs Queen

---

Pupil(s) name: \_\_\_\_\_

Stage: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_