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Dear Parent/Carers,

A warm welcome to all our families. It's been great seeing the pupils in their school uniforms. They all look so smart. We have lots of fantastic learning opportunities planned for the coming year and I am looking forward to watching the children grow and develop over the coming months. There is a list of dates at the end of the newsletter. Our first big event is that the Primary 7 pupils are going to Kilbowie on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September. Not long!

Mrs Queen

## Staff News

We would like to welcome Miss Paton and Miss Maney who will be completing their probationer year with us. Mrs Magilton is an Early Years Practitioner who will be supporting the nursery, P1 and P2 pupils on a Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

Huge congratulations to Miss Kelly who got married during the summer holidays and is now Mrs Lindsay.

Mrs Barry, ASNA who worked pupils in P6 and P5 (mornings only) last year has increased her hours at her other school and sadly will no longer be working at KHMPs. Miss McKay who covered the NCCT last year has also moved onto another school. We wish them both well.

## Staff List

Nursery – Mrs Hill, Mrs Harrison, Miss Fox, Miss Lafferty (am), Mrs Boyd (ASNA) Mrs Magilton (Mon, Tues, Thurs pm)

P 1 – Mrs Lindsay

P1/2 Miss Beck

Mrs Newall and Mrs Magilton will support the soft start in P1 and P1/2

P2/3 – Miss Paton

P3/4 – Miss Clark

P4/5 Miss Maney

P5/6 Miss Baillie

P6 Miss Anderson

P7 Mrs Gilmour/Mrs McKay

Mrs Russell, Mrs Cosgrove and Mrs McGuckin will continue to support the pupils in the class.

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### PE Kits

The Parent Council purchased the kit for all Primary 1 pupils and the school used PEF to supply all of our pupils with the school PE kit. Unfortunately there has been some issues re the kit. (separate letter issued)

As part of the Health and Wellbeing Curriculum the pupils are entitled to 2 hours of PE each week. We also invite coaches in to deliver specialist PE throughout the year. Please support us by ensuring your child has their PE kit and trainers/gym shoes for their gym days. These must be brought into school and not worn to school.

### PE Days

Primary 1 – Wednesday & Thursday

Primary 1/2 - Monday & Friday

Primary 2/3 – Tuesday & Friday

Primary 3/4 – Monday & Wednesday

Primary 4/5 – Tuesday & Thursday

Primary 5/6 – Monday & Wednesday

Primary 6 – Wednesday & Thursday

Primary 7 – Tuesday & Thursday

### Dance

This term we have a dance instructor coming in to the school on a Wednesday. Initially P6 and P5/6 will have the opportunity to work with her during their PE slot.

### Homework

Our homework will continue in the same format as last year. Homework will be issued on a Wednesday to be returned the following Tuesday.

We don't ask the children to complete a large amount of homework and we appreciate that children have a range of afterschool activities.

The IDL homework may be a longer project that the children will be given a few weeks to complete.

We have also purchased homework diaries again for the pupils. Many parents asked for these as they liked them as another means of communication.

Homework will not start until Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> August.

We are looking for your support in ensuring we receive high quality work and returned on time.

We had many pupils who did not return homework and I am looking to see an increase in participation from all classes.

### Good to be Green/Reward Time/House

During assembly this week we will be speaking to the pupils about positive behaviour and the rewards that will be in place this session. There will be a separate letter given out explaining the changes. We will be continuing with Growth Mindset, encouraging the pupils to face new challenges positively as well as introducing to them the new Three Rules, **Ready, Respectful and Safe** which we will follow in school.

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### Soft Start

As of next week our soft start for P1 and P2 pupils will begin again.

This means that the pupils will be able to come into class at 8.45am where Mrs Lindsay, Miss Beck, Mrs Newall and Mrs Magilton will have set out a range of different activities for the pupils to play with.

These activities will support the pupils' learning in class through a play approach, giving the pupils an opportunity to consolidate learning and learn new concepts.

If you have any questions or queries regarding this please speak to Mrs Lindsay or Mrs Queen.

### Developing the Young Work Force

Developing the Young Workforce (DYW) is a seven-year programme (2014-2021) that aims to better prepare children and young people aged 3–18 for the world of work.

This programme builds on the foundations already in place through Curriculum for Excellence.

To support teachers and practitioners to develop children's and young people's learning about the world of work we are looking for anyone in the community who would be willing to share their skills with the children. A letter will come out shortly asking for volunteers to come into school to work with the children.

### Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is opened from 8.15am for all pupils. There has been a change in price this year.

Primary 1 –Primary 3 pupils are currently entitled to a universal free school which is automatically allocated. To received a free breakfast entitlement you will have to apply and be granted a free school meal entitlement.

1 pupils - £1

2 siblings - £1.50

3 siblings - £1.80

4 siblings - £2.10

More information on NLC's website.

<https://www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=5590>

### Gentle Reminders

In line with NLC policy:

No football club branded items or clothing should be brought into school.

No dogs should be in the playground.

Pupils may drink water during the school day in class and juice during break and lunch.

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## Term 1

Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> – Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> September	School closed : September Weekend
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	Photographs
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent s' appointments
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> October to Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	School closed – October Week
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	Hallowe'en Disco ( Parent Council)
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> November	School Closed to pupils : Inset Day
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Flu Vaccine
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Show: times to be confirmed
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery nativity
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	School closes at 2.30pm – Christmas Holidays
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2019	Pupils return

Full list of school holidays is available on NLC's website:

<https://www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=1525>

Parent Council meeting
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September, 7pm
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> September, 7pm
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> November 7pm

Each class will invite parents in for a class assembly these dates will be given to you from the class teacher as soon as we have arranged them.

Term 1 classes will be: Primary3/4, Primary 7 and Primary 2/3

If you have given the school an email address you will also receive an electronic copy of this newsletter. There will be a copy on the school blog as well.

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

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