

# Head Teacher's Update



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## Right of the Month - November

### Robbie's UNCRC Article of the Month

## November

## Remembrance and Article 38

### Protection from War

Armistice Day is the 11th of November.

Remembrance unites people of all faiths, cultures and backgrounds in honouring those who defend our democratic freedom and way of life. In this short film, you'll see the girls lay a poppy wreath at a memorial, which is a traditional part of Remembrance Day events. Why not try making your own remembrance wreath from recycled materials? Where might you put it?

A growing number of children and young people joining schools in the UK are refugees fleeing from countries at war. How can schools support such pupils and help them to feel welcome? What role could fellow students play in this?

Read or listen to the story Tusk Tusk by David McKee. Why do you think peace is important?

Link to film - <https://youtu.be/kni91fHqi50>

Story link - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fU9BwWXzsS4>

## iPay Cashless System

- Payments should be made via iPay Impact whenever possible.
- Please check your child's account regularly to make sure he/she has enough money for school dinners.
- If you need any help, please email: [onlineschoolpayments@northlan.gov.uk](mailto:onlineschoolpayments@northlan.gov.uk)

## NLC Football Festival P6-7

Pupils from Primary 6 & 7 had a fantastic time at the North Lanarkshire Active Schools football festival this week. Well done to everyone who took part. A special thank you to Mr McDonald

for coaching our boys team and Ricky Waddell from Caledonian Braves who came along to provide support and advice.



## Improving Attendance

Improving attendance is part of our school improvement plan and a focus for all the schools in the Bellshill Academy Cluster.

The target for North Lanarkshire's Schools for attendance is 95%.

Last session our average attendance was 90%.

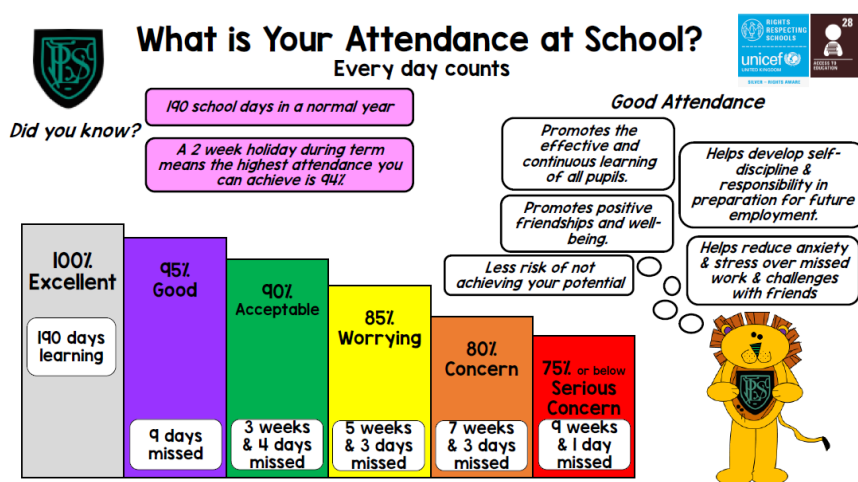
We hope to improve this by 3% this session.

Schools in our cluster will be:

- Reviewing attendance for each year group every month.
- Contacting parents/carers of those children whose attendance is below average.
- Working with partners to support families with children who regularly miss school.

Parents and Carers are asked to co-operate by:

- Keeping planned absences to a minimum during term time (holidays/appointments etc).
- Ensure that pupils arrive on time for school.
- Contact the school as soon as possible to advise of any absences.



## **Parents Meetings – Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November.**

Parents Meetings will take place on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November between 3pm – 8pm.

Bookings can be made from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November.

You should have received information on how to book an appointment. If you have any difficulty please contact the school office between 10pm – 2pm.

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## **Parent Council Update**

### **Halloween Disco**

Our Parent Council Halloween Disco was a great success. Everyone had a fantastic time and the costumes were all excellent. Thank you to all the parents who helped make the event such a success. Have a look on the website for more photos from the night. The Parent Council raised a massive £637, which will be used to fund events in school for pupils.



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## **Halloween Raffle**

Our Parent Council Halloween Raffle was picked at assembly last week. Well done to our winners, Grace and Amelia!



## Lunch Menu This Week

### [NLC Primary School Menu](#)

All children in Nursery to Primary 5 receive a free meal. Parents/carers of children in Primary 6 and Primary 7 who may be eligible for a free school meal can find more information [here](#).

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## Next Week at Lawmuir

### What's on at Lawmuir?

Week Beginning 7<sup>th</sup> November 2022

★ New Lunch Menu Week 3

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup>**

- Breakfast Club 8.30am
- Louise Williamson -Cluster Attainment Teacher in School
- Chris Graham - SAM Group in School
- P2 Homework Club 3pm - 4pm
- Basketball Club 3pm - 4pm

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup>**

- Breakfast Club 8.30am
- Louise Williamson -Cluster Attainment Teacher in School
- Gymnastics Club 3pm - 4pm

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>**

- Breakfast Club 8.30am
- P7 to Bellshill Academy Transition Event Sports (am)
- Staff Meeting 3pm - 4pm
- P1-3 Football Club 3pm - 4pm

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>**


- Breakfast Club 8.30am
- P4-7 to Cross Country Event (selected pupils)
- Louise Williamson -Cluster Attainment Teacher in School
- Choir After School Club

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup>**

- Breakfast Club 8.30am
- Whole School Assembly 9.30am - Remembrance
- P7 representative to Bellshill Academy Remembrance Service at Cenotaph

**Up & Coming events**

14<sup>th</sup> November - **In-service Day** - Pupils not at school  
18<sup>th</sup> November - **Children In Need Dress Down Day**  
24<sup>th</sup> November - Parents Meetings 3pm - 8pm  
Bookings can be made From Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November.  
More information will be issued directly by groupcall on how to book.



**Be Safe - Be successful - Be Sensible - Be Smart**