What's on at Lawmuir? Week Beginning 25th August 2025

Lunch Menu Week 3

Monday 25th August

- Breakfast Club 8.30am
- Parent Council AGM 6pm-7pm (Lawmuir PS)

Tuesday 26th August

• Breakfast Club 8.30am

Wednesday 27th August

Breakfast Club 8.30am

Thursday 28th August

- Breakfast Club 8.30am
- Parent Session 3.15pm 4.15pm (see attached)

Friday 29th August

- Breakfast Club 8.30am
- School Assembly

Upcoming Dates for your Diary

Thursday 28th **August** 3.15 – 4.15pm Class Information &

Homework Drop-In Session *change to

time (see attached)

Friday 26th September

& Monday 29th September

Monday 13th October –

Friday 17th October

September Weekend – Holiday

School Closed

October Week Holiday

Labubu Dolls, Charms & other toys

We would ask that these are not brought into school. They cannot be taken into the playground. These items in school can cause disagreements and arguments, they may be lost or mislaid, and this can cause huge upset for pupils. They also lead to pupils being distracted and lost learning time. Please enjoy these items at home.



Be Safe - Be successful - Be Sensible - Be Smart

Communication Survey

We are currently reviewing how we communicate this year and would appreciate your time in completing this short questionnaire.

We have a variety of ways that information is communicated to you as parents/carers of children, but it is vital that we hear about which method is working best.

We would very much appreciate your help so please could you complete the following online questionnaire by clicking on the link or scanning the QR code below:

https://forms.office.com/e/SWmCaD21JU



The survey will be open until 12th September



Parent/Carer Opinion

To promote positive behaviour we use Good to be Green.

To recognise pupils who achieved green all year 24/25 an end of year reward was given.

We would like your opinion as to how to recognise our pupils who consistently achieve green this year.

Use the QR code below to submit your opinion. Many thanks.



School Improvement

Our priorities for improvement this session areas follows:

Curriculum Design

Refresh Values, Vision & Aims as we move to our new community hub.

Build Schools Reading Culture

Develop Reading for Pleasure across the school

High Quality Learning Experiences

- Enquiry Based Learning
- · High Quality Learning & Teaching
- Effective Assessment to raise attainment particularly in writing



House Captains & Prefects 2025



Congratulations to our recently elected House Captains & Prefects for 2025!

Lomand - Katy Nevis - Ava Schiehallion - Eve Vorlich - Kasey

They are looking forward very much to leading their houses for the year ahead & being role models for our school!

Thank you and well done to everyone who applied this year. As always, the standard was very high.

Staff Team

Classes	Clerical Staff	
Miss L Stewart R1 P1	Mrs I Milne	
Mrs J Kirkhope R2 P1/2	Mrs J D'Ambrosio	
Miss R Scott R3 P2	Leadership Team	
Miss L Simpson R5 P3/4	Miss T Hurst – Head Teacher	
Miss J McCusker R6 P3	Miss L Harper – Principal Teacher	
Ms A McQuade R12 P4	Mr P Lumsden – Principal Teacher	
Miss L Muirhead R13 P5	Support Staff	
Mrs L Cuthbert/ Mrs M Krausen R7 P5/6	Miss E Cordiner ASNA	
Mrs J Burt R10 P6	Mrs G Roberts ASNA	
Mrs M Stewart/ Mrs J Evans R9 P7	Mrs M Sharkie ASNA	
Mrs S Arthur NCC	Janitor	
Miss A Kennedy NCC	Mr John Laird	

Data Check & Internet Acceptable Use Agreement - Separate Letter Issued

Please return these to school by 1st September.

Homework

At the beginning of term, we are using the time to get to know pupils and assess pupil learning. During this period there will be no homework issued. All classes will be issuing homework form week beginning 1st September. The same week you will also receive a class newsletter with useful information such as PE days, learning being covered in class etc.

Late Coming

Please try wherever possible to get children to school on time. Arriving late to school can often be unsettling for children. Having established routines is the best way to support your child and ensuring the are ready for the day ahead.

Making the Most of the School Day

This session we would like to minimise disruption to the school day and maximise every opportunity for teaching & learning within all our classrooms.

To support this we would ask that children come to school prepared for the day ahead with lunch boxes, snacks and water bottles.

Delivering items, which are handed in late, to children throughout the day interrupts the flow of learning and can waste valuable teaching time. We want every child to make the most of every minute.

Buying Breakfast Before School

Reminder – Food purchased outside school in the morning should not be consumed in the playground before school starts. Anyone requiring breakfast is welcome to make use of our breakfast club from 8.30am.

Thanks for your co-operation

Personal Belongings

Please can I ask that all personal items are clearly labelled. This helps the children find their own belongings and for staff to get anything lost back to their rightful owners.

Financial Support

NLC has a range of financial supports for families on their website. Click below to access information: https://www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/benefits-and-

money/deby-advice

Tackling Poverty Team 01698332551 TPTeam@northlan.gov.uk

Reminder - Safe Parking

We have had a few calls from members of the community about the parking situation. Please do not use the car park for Appleyard Court when dropping off and picking up pupils. Carers have been unable to park their cars.

In addition, please park safely on Foot field Rd and allow your child to walk safely on the footpath to the gate.

It is an offence to park/stop/drop off on the zigzags.

We all need to work together in order to prevent an accident from happening. Many Thanks for your cooperation.



School Meals

A reminder that our Breakfast Club opens at **8.30am** every morning. Children who arrive before this time are not supervised by staff therefore; we would strongly recommend that parents do not drop off children until the club has opened.

All children from P1 to P5 are now entitled to a free breakfast and school meal. Children who are in P6 and P7 must pay for their breakfast (£1.05) and school lunch (£3.40) unless they are entitled to a free school meal. More information on who is entitled to a free school meal can be found on the NLC website

https://www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-meals/free-school-meals-and-clothing-grants

Children who are required to pay should do so via IpayImpact using the link below:

https://www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-meals/school-meal-payments

Every child's account is monitored on a weekly basis and a text will be sent to parents/carers if funds are required. If you are experiencing problems with this please speak to a member of the Leadership Team.

Approved school term dates 2025/2026

August

- . Tuesday 12 August 2025 (Return date for teachers & in-service day)
- Wednesday 13 August 2025 (In-service day)
- . Thursday 14 August 2025 (Return date for pupils)

September

Friday 26 September and Monday 29 September 2025 (September weekend holiday)

October

Monday 13 to Friday 17 October 2025 (October week)

November

. Monday 17 November 2025 (In-service day)

December - Christmas and New Year

- Schools close at 2:30pm on Thursday 18 December 2025
- Friday 19 December 2025 Friday 2 January 2026 (Christmas holidays)

January

Schools return on Monday 5 January 2026

February midterm break

- Monday 16 February 2026
- Tuesday 17 February 2026
- Wednesday 18 February 2026 (In-service day)

April - Spring holiday (Easter)

- Schools close at 2:30pm on Thursday 2 April 2026
- · Friday 3 April Friday 17 April 2026 (Spring break)
- Schools return on Monday 20 April 2026

May

- Monday 4 May 2026 (May holiday)
- Thursday 7 May 2026 (In-service day to coincide with Scottish Parliamentary election, but may be subject to change)
- Friday 22 May 2026 and Monday 25 May 2026 (May weekend)

June

Schools close at 1pm on Friday 26 June 2026

Uniform

It is lovely to see everyone back looking so smart.

In line with health & safety guidance, we must ask that children do not come to school with excessive jewellery on or false nails. Earrings should be removed on PE days and studded earrings that cannot be removed should be covered with plasters for PE days.

False nails are not permitted in school at any time as they pose a health & safety risk both in practical lessons and in the playground. Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings for children.

Not to be worn to school

- *Hoodies
- *Football branded items team colours, badges, or slogans
- *False or acrylic nails
- *Dangling earrings
- *Crop tops
- *Vest tops
- *Other potentially dangerous jewellery such as loose chains or bracelets
- *Items which carry advertising in particular for alcohol or tobacco
- *other item which could be used to inflict injury to other pupils or to be used by others to do so

This term we are focussing on everyone wearing uniform. If you need a jumper or other part of school uniform, please drop into our school office we have lots of preloved items.

School Security

Safety is of the upmost importance and is always our number one priority. Please remember that parents and carers are not permitted in the school playground.



Security Procedures

- All pupils should be dropped off and collected at the school gates. Parents and carers should not enter the school grounds or building.
- Parents or Carers collecting children at 3pm should enter via the yellow gate. Please only one adult to drop off and collect children as this area becomes very crowded.
- Please do not enter the school grounds before 3pm.
- Parents and carers should report to the main office if they wish to arrange an appointment to speak to a member of staff.
- Pupils who are late must enter via the main door and report to the school office.
- If a pupil is being collected early, parents and carers should report to the office where a member of staff will bring the child to you.
- Dogs are not permitted on school grounds at any time. Even if they are being carried. (exception service dogs).

PE Days

Please see below for your child's PE Days.

Indoor PE Kit:

- Black Shorts
- White t-shirt
- gym shoes or trainers

Outdoor PE Kit:

- Black Joggers or Leggings
- White t-shirt/or school polo shirt
- Black Sweatshirt (minimal logos)
- Change of trainers

Items, which are not permitted as part of our dress code:

- Football strips/items with football branding
- Clothing, which can be deemed unsuitable in terms of health and safety grounds such as shell suits, combat style clothing, dangling earrings, and loosefitting clothes particularly in practical classes, hoodies with drawstrings at neck.
- No crop/belly tops.
- Nail extensions should not be worn to school.
- Crocs are not appropriate footwear for school.

Room	Indoor PE	Outdoor PE
Miss L Stewart R1 P1	Tuesday PM	Monday PM
Mrs J Kirkhope R2 P1/2	Thursday AM	Wednesday AM
Miss R Scott R3 P2	Tuesday AM	Thursday PM
Miss L Simpson R5 P3/4	Thursday PM	Monday AM
Miss J McCusker R6 P3	Monday PM	Wednesday PM
Ms A McQuade R12 P4	Wednesday AM	Tuesday AM
Miss L Muirhead R13 P5	Friday PM	Thursday AM
Mrs L Cuthbert/ Mrs M Krausen R7 P5/6	Wednesday AM	Friday AM
Mrs J Burt R10 P6	Wednesday PM	Friday PM
Mrs M Stewart/ Mrs J Evans R9 P7	Thursday AM	Thursday PM

Please note that pupils with pierced ears should come to school without wearing their earrings on PE days

Mobile Phones

Mobile phones and/or Smart watches should not be brought to school. They are not permitted to be used at any time in school or on the premises by pupils including in the playground.

Should your child need a mobile phone for walking home alone then this should be turned off (not on silent) and always stay in their bags. Our full policy can be found on our website.

Please ensure your child is aware of these rules and the importance of always following these.

Safeguarding & Child Protection

We recognise the rights of pupils and staff to learn in an environment free from disruption: to work somewhere that does not allow unauthorised pictures, audio and/or video recordings to be made of them.

Lawmuir Primary School & North Lanarkshire Council accepts no liability for the loss or damage to mobile phones which are brought into the school or school grounds. It is the responsibility of parents and pupils to ensure mobile phones are properly insured.

Water Bottles

We encourage all pupils to bring a filled water bottle to school each day. It is best if this is a refillable bottle with a straw.

Please do not send your child to school with a Stanley cup or similar style cup.

Snack

We encourage you to send your child to school with a small healthy snack. Break is only 15 minutes and pupils often don't have a chance to run around with friends if they have multiple snacks to eat. We would encourage a piece of fruit such as an apple or banana and a drink.

Playground

A reminder that adults are not allowed in the playground at any time. This is to ensure the safeguarding of all pupils.

Nut Free School

We are a nut free school. Nuts and products containing nuts including Nutella and other equivalent spreads should not be brought into school at any time.





What is Your Attendance at School?

Every day counts



Did you know?

190 school days in a normal year

A 2 week holiday during term means the highest attendance you can achieve is 94%

Good Attendance

Promotes the effective and continuous learning of all pupils.

Promotes positive friendships and wellbeing.

Less risk of not achieving your potential

Helps develop selfdiscipline & responsibility in preparation for future employment.

Helps reduce anxiety & stress over missed work & challenges with friends

100% **Excellent**

190 days learning

95% Good

90%

q days missed Acceptable

3 weeks & 4 days missed

85% Worrying

5 weeks & 3 days missed

80% Concern

7 weeks & 3 days missed

75% or below Serious Concern q weeks

& I day missed

