



'A SCHOOL WHERE EVERYONE MATTERS'

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We return back to school after the October break, hopefully feeling rested and ready for Term 2. Despite the ongoing COVID - 19 restrictions, we continue to be a very busy school with two nurseries amalgamated together in SH Nursery. All the activities we plan and implement are developing pupils' experiences and learning. The COVID restrictions continue to be very visible in our signage and the precautions we take for everyone to adhere to in the building and beyond. I thank everyone in the parent community, staff and pupils for their continued support and understanding of the safeguarding in place and the respect you are showing in keeping everyone safe and well. Our daily guidance from the Scottish Government and NLC is to inform everyone and

2020-21 Improvement Plan

Staff presentation; explaining the overall vision
Working Party sign up; Literacy, Numeracy, H&W and STEM
IMPROVEMENT PLANNING - Self Evaluation tool
Including Child Protection and Safeguarding HGIOs 2.1
Using HGIO's 4; our self-evaluation toolkit, NL Service Plan, our audit of last Improvement plan and engagement with staff, parents/carers and learners.

	To ensure continued equity of access and opportunity for maximising learning in the broad general education.
Priority 1	◆ Continued improvement in attainment in Numeracy across all Stages but with a focus on children in SIMD 1 and 2
Priority 2	◆ Continued improvement in attainment in Literacy across all Stages but with a focus on children in SIMD 1 and 2
Priority 3	◆ Continued improvement to close the gap in attainment in Health & Wellbeing across all Stages but with a focus on children in SIMD 1 and 2
Priority 4	◆ STEM - Developments in Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics within the Curriculum for Excellence
	Rights Respecting School - Towards Silver
Cluster Priorities	❖ CNHS 2021 - 2022 Cluster Improvement Plan NLC Establish a robust integrated approach to improve Health & Wellbeing outcomes for children and families across our cluster Improvement in attainment in Literacy & Numeracy Cluster continuation; Assessment and Moderation
Early Years	❖ Amalgamation of two Nurseries SHN and Orb N ❖ Orbiston N Care Inspectorate recommendations ❖ Core developments in Literacy, Numeracy and Health & Wellbeing

COVID - 19 ...HOME SUPPORT

Your support at home is vital at all times to understand the restrictions that MUST be in place and the huge team effort it takes to keep everyone safe. If you or anyone in your household has COVID 19 symptoms, you must order a PCR test.

COVID - 19 check

Under NO circumstance should children attend school if they have any symptoms.

If in doubt phone NHS24 to get your personal advice for your situation and keep us all safe.

We need everyone to follow the rules so we can protect our school and community and prevent COVID 19 spreading to YOU!

Adults - keep a safe DISTANCE when dropping off and collecting children and wear your mask for yours and others protection.

Pupils - ARRIVE FOR SCHOOL JUST BEFORE THE BELL RINGS

REDUCE TRAFFIC CONGESTION - PARK AWAY FROM THE SCHOOL OR WALK TO THE SCHOOL

Pupils - FOLLOW YOUR ZONES FROM THE SCHOOL GATES

Pupils - FOLLOW THE SAFE PATHS TO SCHOOL

Adults - DO NOT ENTER SCHOOL GROUNDS AT ANYTIME WITHOUT AN APPOINTMENT.

Adults - CALL THE SCHOOL OFFICE ANYTIME FOR HELP OR ADVICE

Adults - WEAR YOUR MASKS FOR YOUR PROTECTION AND OTHERS

ANY AUTHORISED VISITORS:

1. MUST WEAR A MASK IN THE BUILDING OR ON SCHOOL GROUNDS
2. SANITISE ON ENTRY AND EXIT
3. COMPLETE TEST AND PROTECT FORMS, THEN EXIT

LIMIT ANY OBJECTS FROM HOME REACHING SCHOOL BAGS and CLASSROOMS and INTO SCHOOL.

COVID 19 safe BOOK FAIR

Thank you to everyone who bought a book at the BOOK FAIR. The children were amazed at the choices and hopefully they were also happy with what they have been reading. The Literacy team were then able to order more books for the school with the money raised, thanks to you.

INTERIM REPORTS - Week beg 20/12/21 December 2021

Staff will complete an Interim Report for your child based on:

- Focus in settling to their daily tasks
- Work achieved in Term 1 and 2
- Consolidation and revision of skills
- Daily engagement in school and through digital Learning
- Attitude and behaviour to learning
- Homework achievements



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GROWTH MINDSET

Staff and pupils, continue their focus and motivate all our learning and teaching efforts through **Growth Mindset**. Through TWITTER we reported to parents and carers about our work here and our displays around the foyer are a reminder of the importance of this philosophy encouraging a positive engagement in learning.

EMOTION WORK



<https://www.emotionworks.org.uk/>

EMOTION WORKS continues to focus staff and parents to appreciate our journey in learning and teaching by being in-tune with our feelings. We will continue to support in these important matters.

INFORMING PARENTS and CARERS



GROWTH MINDSET and EMOTION WORKS. Your continued support at home really makes a huge difference to our young learners. Our virtual Assemblies, rewards pupils in their work. Throughout the terms, pupils will be celebrated for their successes in TWITTER. Look out for our notice



HALLOWEEN

Halloween was packed all week with Arts, Crafts, Curriculum links TWITTER and GLOW coverage indoors and out.

TEMPEST PHOTOGRAPHER

The photographer visited the school September to take class and individual photographs in 2021 / 2022

CAROL SERVICE

Our Carol Service will be a montage of pictures, films and narrations put together of our P1's and P7's telling the Christmas Story, shared by the school community for all to see with our favourite carol selections in the background. We will be able to post this through GLOW and TWITTER to celebrate the season of Advent with you.

HT CHRISTMAS CARD DRAWING DESIGN 2021

All pupils are invited to design a Christmas card for the school which, if chosen will be reproduced and sent out to the community as our school Christmas Cards. Closing date Fri 19th November. Each designs will be displayed to brighten up our Christmas celebrations. Good luck everybody!

Mini ASSEMBLIES

Mrs Harley and I have been delighted to receive smaller gatherings in the hall - Mini Assemblies. All our decorations went up on the November INSET day and the children are getting very excited about Christmas. We have been rehearsing all our Nativity Carols in preparation for the season.

CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES

Within the Covid - 19 regulations we will be utilising more DIGITAL activities for you to see via the school Blog and of course TWITTER.

Staff have been asked to post as many class activities through our digital medium. We hope you will share this time of year with our school and nurseries.

Last year our Christmas Nativity was created by using our GREEN SCREEN which digitally transported our P1 pupils to Bethlehem for everyone to appreciate the Christmas story. You can also share many photographs from the school ie TOPICS, Literacy, Numeracy and all sorts of activities in learning. You will already be admiring the daily TWEETS in TWITTER that cover class activities and learning.

BLOGS - Digital Team

Miss Robertson will take time to create small films for parents / carers to view on GLOW to learn about our methodology throughout the year in learning and teaching Literacy and Numeracy. Hopefully these BLOGS will help you understand the skills involved and in doing so be confident in supporting Digital Learning at home. Keep posted!

FLU IMUNISATION DAY - Tuesday 9th November 2021

INSET DAY

There will be an In-service day on Monday 15th November 2021. Children should not attend school that day. The school will re-open on Tuesday 16th November for the Breakfast Club at 8.20am with a school start at 9am.

VIRTUAL PANTOMINE

We will be attending 'Aladdin' and 'Alice in Wonderland' from Take Away Theatre Company. The school will cover all costs and we will schedule this for each class to access online throughout December as part of the Christmas Activities 2021 treats.

INCLEMENT WEATHER - in extreme circumstances

With Covid 19 restrictions, pupils should be out until the bell rings. As a courtesy, staff will be directed by SMT to supervise the playgrounds from 8.50am whatever the weather as part of our COVID 19 procedures. When weather is extremely challenging in the Winter months **and if staffing ratios allow**, SMT will direct appointed staff to escort classes to their classrooms, but NOT earlier than 8.50am. ALL pupils should report to their ZONES as near the bell and any coordination will take place from there.

Christmas Dinner Thursday 9th December 2021 - December (booking letters out)

VIRTUAL ADVENT SERVICE

Each week of Advent we will reflect on the Nativity story inviting pupils throughout the school to participate and celebrate the reason for the season. Please help at home if your child is a reader.



CHRISTMAS CLASS FUN DAY FRIDAYS 2020

Staff will plan lots of Christmas class activities that will link with our education programme but also encourage fun at this time of the year. This also coincides with 'Wear a Christmas Jumper / Top on; Friday 26th November Advent 1 No charge Friday 3rd December Advent 2 No charge Friday 10th December Advent 3 £1 for Save the Children Friday 17th December Advent 4 No charge

COVID 19 restrictions asks that we celebrate activities in a safer way ie No need for anyone to go home to change or buy a Christmas outfit. Children will join the staff in wearing their Christmas jumper or top for the Friday Fun Days in November / December. No need to donate any money also... **Except Friday the 10th Dec Ho Ho Ho!**

CHRISTMAS PARTIES

Children will come to school dressed for their fun / party day. Due to COVID - 19 restrictions there should be no visits home to change. Children should come to school dressed ready for the day. This especially will ensure parents / carers are NOT coming onto the school grounds.

P1's Rm 6 and 7	Monday	13/12/2021
Rm 9 and 10	Tuesday	14/12/2021
Rm 11 and 12	Wednesday	15/12/2021
Rm 13 and 14	Thursday	16/12/2021
Rm 15 and 16	Friday	17/12/2021

School finishes on Wednesday 22nd December 2021 for our Christmas holidays.

School will re-open on Monday 10th January 2022 for the breakfast club at 8.20am and the school New Year start at 9am

On behalf of the staff of Sacred Heart Primary School and Nurseries may I take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy and Peaceful Christmas.

Thank you for your support in 2021 and we look forward to working with you throughout 2022.

Keep safe and well. Mrs K Somerville, Head Teacher



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LOOKING AHEAD TO THE NEW YEAR 2022
School holidays and term dates 2021/22
School Year 2021 - 2022

https://www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-holidays-and-term-dates?utm_source=HP+Button&utm_medium=Website&utm_campaign=Term+dates

October 2021

October break: Monday 11 to Friday 15 October 2021

(inclusive)
November 2021

In-service day: Monday 15 November 2021
December 2021 - January 2022

Schools close: 2.30pm on Wednesday 22 December 2021

Christmas and New Year holidays: Thursday 23 December 2021
to Friday 7 January (inclusive)
February 2022

Mid-term break: Monday 14 February 2022 and Tuesday 15
February 2022

In-service day: Wednesday 16 February 2022
April 2022

Schools close: Friday 1 April 2022 at 2.30pm

Monday 4 April 2022 to Monday 18 April 2022 (inclusive)

- Good Friday 15 April 2022
- Easter Monday 18 April 2022

Schools return: Tuesday 19 April 2022
May 2022

May day holiday: Monday 2 May 2022

In-service day: Thursday 5 May 2022 (to coincide with
Scottish local government elections)

May weekend holiday: Friday 27 May 2022 and Monday 30 May
June 2022

Schools close: Wednesday 29 June 2022 at 1pm

August 2022 (proposed dates - session 2022/23)

Teachers return and in-service day: Monday 15 August 2022

In-service day: Tuesday 16 August 2022

Pupils return: Wednesday 17 August 2022
September 2022

September weekend: Friday 23 September to Monday 26

September 2022 (inclusive)
October 2022

October week: Monday 17 to Friday 21 October 2022

(inclusive)
November 2022

In-service day: Monday 14 November 2022
December 2022 - January 2023

Schools close: Thursday 22 December 2022 at 2.30pm

Christmas and New Year holidays: Friday 23 December 2022 to
Friday 6 January 2023 (inclusive)

Schools return: Monday 9 January 2023
February 2023

Mid-term break: Monday 13 February 2023 and Tuesday 14
February 2023

In-service day: Wednesday 15 February 2023
April 2023

Schools close: Friday 31 March 2023 at 2.30pm

Spring holiday (Easter): Monday 3 April to Friday 14 April
(inclusive)

- Good Friday: 7 April 2023
- Easter Monday: 10 April 2023

Schools return: Monday 17 April 2023
May 2023

May holiday: Monday 1 May 2023

In-service day: Tuesday 2 May 2023

May weekend: Friday 26 May 2023 to Monday 29 May 2023

(inclusive)
June 2023

Schools close: Wednesday 28 June 2023 at 1pm



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