



Cleland Primary School

September Newsletter 2026



Upcoming Diary Dates Sept-Dec

Friday 25th Sept and Monday 28th Sept – September Weekend Holiday

Tuesday 29th Sept – 9th Oct – GIRFMe Review Meetings – Appointments will be sent out to relevant families in due course

Monday Oct 12th - Friday 16th – October Week Holiday

Friday 23rd Oct – P4/5 Class Assembly – 9.30-10.30 – P4/5 families invited

Friday 30th Oct – Halloween Disco (during the school day)

Thursday 5th Nov – School Photographs – No PE that day

Thursday 12th Nov – Parents' Night – Appointments will be sent out nearer the time

Monday 16th Nov – Inservice Day – school closed to pupils

Friday 4th Dec – Annual Christmas Fayre – Time TBC

Monday 7th Dec – Whole School Cinema Trip – 9.30-12.30

Thursday 10th Dec – P1 & P2/3 Nativity Morning and Afternoon Performances – Tickets on sale nearer the time

Wednesday 16th Dec P1-3 Christmas Party PM

Thursday 17th Dec P4-7 Christmas Party PM

Friday 18th Dec – School Closes 2.30pm

Tuesday 5th Jan 2027 – School Reopens

[School holidays and term dates | North Lanarkshire Council](#)

Click link to see school all holidays for 2026/7

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Email: enquiries-at-cleland@northlan.org.uk

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Christmas Cinema Trip



Our traditional Christmas Cinema Trip has been booked for Monday 7th Dec. The cost is £7.70 per child, and this can be paid using ipayimpact online. The Showcase Cinema will keep us up to date on the films that will be available, and we will let the pupils choose their favourite nearer the time.

Guess My Birthday

£1
Per Guess



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Per Guess

The children can come and guess on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10.15–10.30 each week, starting the week beginning 21st Sept. The winner will be drawn at the Christmas Fayre on Fri 4th Dec.

Cleland Primary Parent Council

The Parent Council are raising funds to support the school. They are currently running a 'Guess the Bear's Birthday' competition to win this beautiful big bear.

The Parent Council have set up a Facebook Group. Please join for more information.

Search Facebook: Cleland Primary Parent Council

Email: cleland-primary-parent-council@googlegroups.com

Thank you for all your support

Attendance Matters

Regular attendance plays an important part in children's learning, friendships and wellbeing. In line with North Lanarkshire Council's *Attendance Matters* approach, our whole-school attendance target for 2026–27 is **94%**.

We understand that children will sometimes be absent through illness or for other unavoidable reasons. If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason, please let the school know as soon as possible by telephone or through the school enquiries email address.

Letters updating parents on their child's attendance is part of North Lanarkshire Attendance Policy. We wish to work in partnership with all families to support attendance at school. Please contact the school if you wish to discuss your child's attendance further.

September Update

It has been a very busy and positive start to the new school session at Cleland Primary. It has been wonderful to see all of our pupils settle back into school routines so quickly, and I have been particularly impressed by how well our new Primary 1 children have adapted to school life.

One of the highlights of the term has been watching our Primary 7 buddies support and encourage our youngest learners. They have shown great kindness, patience and responsibility, helping our new pupils feel welcomed and valued as members of our school community.

As we move through the term, we are looking forward to our Halloween celebrations at the end of October and, of course, a well-earned half-term break. Thank you to all of our pupils, staff and families for helping to make such a successful start to the school year.

Mrs Murray 😊

SHANARRI Characters

P5/6 and P4/5 worked collaboratively to create and design characters to match the SHANARRI wellbeing indicators – Safe, Healthy, Achieving, Nurtured, Active, Respected, Responsible and Included. The whole school will use these to support health and wellbeing lessons.

