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**NEWSLETTER - AUGUST 2025**

Dear Parent/Carer

A very warm welcome to all staff, parents, and pupils, whether you are new to our school or known to us already.   We hope that your child has now settled in well, with their new friends and teacher, and we look forward to working closely with you in order to support your child to reach their full potential.

**CHILD PROTECTION**

Ensuring the safety of our pupils is our utmost priority at all times.

If you have any child or adult protection concerns please contact Mrs Rooney, Head Teacher

or Mrs Paterson/Mrs Henderson, Principal Teachers, immediately on (01236) 632092.

**PARENTS PORTAL**

We are working hard to become a cashless school.  The majority school payments are payable online.  Other information is also available on the parents’ portal, and you can use it at any time throughout the day or night to record an absence or appointment for your child. Please register via the link below or by logging into **parentsportal.scot**

[parentsportal.scot | The digital doorway to your child's school.](https://parentsportal.scot/pportal/)

It only takes a few minutes to register, and this registration remains in place for your child’s entire primary and secondary education, thank you.

**School Staffing**

We are delighted to welcome the following staff on a permanent basis to our team:

* Mr C Collin Class teacher - Room 5, p3/4
* Ms Gillian Bain Breakfast Club Assistant

**Calendars**

Prior to the summer holidays we produced a school calendar. This contains photos of all pupils who were in our nursery, or in p1 – p7, during 2024-2025. The calendar also contains lots of diary dates which you may find helpful. We have a few calendars left for sale at a cost of £5 each. Please contact our office if you would like to purchase one, thank you.

**School Photographs – Friday 22nd August**

The photographer will be in school this coming Friday 22nd August to take **individual photos** of all school pupils (Not nursery). The photographer will also take a **primary one and a primary seven class photos**. **Family photographs** will also be taken (this will include nursery pupils IF they have an older sibling in our school) – Family photographs are for SIBLINGS who are currently enrolled in our school or nursery. (Unfortunately we cannot include older or younger family members; or cousins, friends etc, sorry).

**Meet the Teacher Event in our School and Nursery – Friday 29th August 2025**

We are looking forward to our ‘Meet the Teacher’ event on Friday 29th August from 2.15pm – 2.50pm.  All parents are invited to visit our nursery and our classrooms. Please note this is not a parental appointment to discuss your child, it is simply a ‘drop in event’ to allow you to see your child in their nursery/classroom environment and to ‘put a friendly face’ to our nursery and teaching staff.

**Nursery opening hours – 8.50am – 2.50pm**

Our nursery operates from 8.50am – 2.50pm with pupils and parents using the Nursery Entrance.  If you are attending out with these times, please use our school’s main entrance.   Please note our staff finish at this time, so it is imperative that you collect your child on time, thank you.

**School opening hours – 8.55am – 3.pm**

Our teaching staff and pupil lunch breaks are from 12.30-1.20pm.

**Late coming and attendance**

Please ensure that your child attends nursery/school every day unless they are unwell.  **It is vital that pupils are on time, as our school is locked soon after the above times for the safety of all pupils.**  If your child is late or absent for any reason, please remember to call our school office or register their absence on our Parent Portal.

**Breakfast Club**

Our breakfast club is open from 8.15am.  All pupils in primaries 1 – 5 are entitled to a free breakfast and a free lunch.  Parents of pupils in primaries 6 and 7 can apply for free school meals.  This would entitle your child to a free breakfast and a free lunch.  The cost to pay for meals is:

Breakfast £1.05 Lunch £3.40

**Lunches**

Please remember that p6 and p7 pupils are required to pay online for their school meals. If your child is entitled to FREE SCHOOL MEALS please apply for this annually via the NLC website, thank you.

**Suitable Clothing and Footwear**

Pupils will be outdoors until 8.55 am, and during our morning interval and lunchtime, apart from in exceptional weathers e.g. very heavy rain, ice, storms, etc.  Please therefore ensure that your child has suitable clothing, suntan lotion, etc to cope with our changing weather conditions, thank you.

**Health Promoting School and Nursery**

As per the Scottish Government and Local Authorities guidelines pupils can only drink water during class times.  Non-fizzy drinks, eg diluting juice is fine for breaks but not in class, thank you.

**Parent Council – First meeting - Mon 15th Sept – 7pm**

We believe that parental support is crucial for the effective running of a school and look forward to working closely with our Parent Council this session.

Our first meeting will be held in school, on Monday 15th September 2025, from 7pm onwards.  We currently have six vacancies on our Parent Council.  If you would be interested in joining us please contact Mrs Rooney by calling the school office.  Should more that six parents express an interest in joining our Parent Council we will proceed to a ballot and a waiting list, thank you.

**Class Assemblies**

Throughout the course of the year every class will host a class assembly.  Parents and carers of the pupils in that particular class will be invited to attend the assembly.  Details of all dates will be issued as soon as possible.

**Pupil Voice**

We are fully committed to embedding the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child throughout our school and we currently have our SILVER RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL AWARD.  We listen regularly to pupils; and adapt our planning to ensure that pupils opinions are valued and heard.

**X (previously Twitter)            @LangloanPS**

Please follow us on X to see some of the things that your children are learning about in class and in our nursery.   (If you try to follow us and your request is denied please contact the school.  We work hard to only allow people that we know to follow us.   Thank you)  If your child is successful at something out with school please let us know so that we can share their success on X (twitter) or via this newsletter, thank you.

Should you require any further information regarding our school please do not hesitate to contact me on 01236 632092 or [enquiries-at-langloan@northlan.org.uk](mailto:enquiries-at-langloan@northlan.org.uk)

Yours sincerely

Mrs A Rooney, Head Teacher

**PROVISIONAL DATES FOR DIARIES  2025-2026**

**TERM 1**

Fri 22nd Aug School photos

Fri 29th Aug Meet the teacher event

Mon 15th Sept 7pm Parent Council Meeting

Thurs 25th Sept Dress down day – bring £1 for school funds

Fri 26th – Mon 29th SEPT WEEKEND

13th – 17th October inclusive OCTOBER WEEK HOLIDAY

**TERM 2**

Wed 22nd Oct Nursery fundraiser

 Thurs 30th Oct - EVENING Halloween disco

Mon 3rd Nov 7pm Parent Council Meeting

Thurs 13th November PARENTS EVENING

Mon 17th Nov In-service Day – pupils do not attend

Sat 29th Nov CHRISTMAS FARYE

Thurs 4TH Dec (Date TBC) CHRISTMAS SHOW – Afternoon and evening

Friday 5th Dec (Date TBC) CHRISTMAS SHOW – Morning performance

Wed 10TH Dec NURSERY CHRISTMAS SHOW

Thurs 18th Dec 9.30am TBC Christmas Service in Middle Church – TBC

Thurs 18th Dec School closes at 2.30pm

**TERM 3**

5th January School reopens for term 3

Mon 26th Jan 2026 7pm Parent Council Meeting

Mon 26th – Fri 30th Jan 2026 p7 pupils to Palacerigg outdoor education all week

Thurs 12th Feb - Evening Valentines Disco

Mon 16th and Tues 17th Feb SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Wed 18th Feb In-service day - pupils do not attend

Thurs 5th March World Book Day

Thurs 2nd April  - 9.30am Easter service in Middle Church - TBC

Thurs 2nd School closes at 2.30pm

Fri 3rd April – Fri 17th   Apr inclusive EASTER HOLIDAYS

**TERM 4**

Mon 20th April School reopens for term 4

Thurs 30th April Nursery photos

Mon 4th May SCHOOL HOLIDAY

Thurs 7th May In-service day  (subject to change)

THURSDAY 14TH MAY PARENTS EVENING

Mon 18th May 2026 7pm Parent Council Meeting

22nd – 25TH May inclusive SCHOOL HOLIDAY

Thurs 11th June - Evening Summer disco

Mon 22nd June LEAVERS ASSEMBLY – p7 parents to attend

Wed 24th June Prize Giving in Church – TBC

Fri 19 th June PROM – TBC

Fri 26th June SCHOOL CLOSES AT 1pm for SUMMER