

PARENT AND CARER UPDATED INFORMATION

# MOSSEND PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY CLASS



We hope you have enjoyed reading the class newsletters that were published last week. If you haven't had a chance to read these yet then you will find them on our website and app.

# WEEK 9 UPDATE MONDAY 5th OCTOBER 2020

#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

A massive thank you to the vast majority of our parents/carers who are working with us to keep our community safe. We all need to look out for each other during this time and continue with the kindness and cooperation that was shown during the lockdown period. There are simple acts we can all do, like wearing a face covering when social distancing is difficult and maintaining our distance from others.

Some of the adults who collect children from our school are elderly grandparents, some of our neighbours are vulnerable. No-one wants any covid cases in our community, school or children to



miss their education, therefore thank you to everyone who is playing their part. We see it and appreciate it!

For those continuing to enter our playground without a face covering, please think twice! You are putting others at unnecessary risk. We will continue to challenge this, but our priority is the safe dismissal of the children, not 'policing' adults. Please, just follow the guidelines. They aren't there to make your life deliberately harder, but simple acts to protect everyone.

We are all in this together

Do your part

**Keep Mossend safe** 

#### PI-2 PAREINIS/CARERS

We know you want to stand and wait until the 9am bell. We get it. They are only little and you want that reassurance that they are in. In 'normal' times, this would be encouraged, sadly we aren't living in 'normal' times.

We have moved our youngest children to the main playground, as far away from busy roads as we can. There are generally 3 members of staff in this area and the P1 classes are next to our P7 children for additional supervision in their role as buddies.

If this doesn't reassure you to drop and GO, then keep your child with you away from the school until the 9am bell rings. We don't want to cancel this service.

# COMMUNICATIONS

We understand how important communication is during these times when you can't enter the school building, so we hope you are finding our weekly updates informative. These are in addition to the information we regularly post to the School App, on our website and our Twitter feed.

Going forward, we will no longer be sending out blanket SMS messages as a form of communication as there is a cost to the schol of doing this. You may still receive an individual text, but any whole school messages will be communicated through our website, app and Twitter. Again, if your email address is not up to date please let us know, so you don't miss out!

#### **PROMOTING POSITIVE PARTNERSHIPS**



My name is Miss Watson and I am a Class Teacher at Mossend Primary. This year I will be responsible for promoting positive partnerships within our school. My role will focus on strengthening the partnership between, pupils, staff, parents and the wider community within Mossend. Creating strong partnerships will not only allow our pupils to have positive school experiences but also enable us to work together as a team to provide the support that our pupils need to become happy, confident, responsible and successful individuals.

I am already in contact with our Parent Council around



### NURSERY CLASS UPDATE



Our Nursery children are continuing to make great progress. This week then went off on a bug hunt around the school grounds, finding lots of creepy crawlies. We hope you enjoyed seeing their pictures on our Twitter account.

A little reminder that the donation bucket for nursery will be at the drop off and pick up point on a Monday and Tuesday and this will go towards enhancing the nursery experiences for your child.

Nursery parents/carers are permitted in the playground for drop off and pick up on the condition that you have your face covering on and that you use the nursery gate. Please stand in the green pods and don't block the pavements.



Normally in October we would have our first parents' evening, however under current restrictions this isn't possible, so we will be able to provide you with a progress report card for you and your child at the end of October.

This will be shared digitally with your child on their Microsoft Team Class Notebook for their feedback and we would encourage you to read it with your child and provide your own feedback too. Mr Reid will be running a Webex session for parents/carers on using Microsoft Teams and Class Notebook before the reports are published, so don't worry if you aren't sure on how this will work. We will support you.

In the mean time, if your child has forgotten their Glow login details or you can't download Microsoft Teams or Microsoft OneNote then please ask your child to speak with their class teacher who will be able to assist.

#### **MATHS WEEK SCOTLAND**



We had a mystery to solve, a digital QR Code hunt around the playground and lots of outdoor, active learning taking place. A big well done to the parents/carers who were brave like Astrid and gave our adult challenges a go too! An adult Dojo Point for effort to you all!

#### **MR REID'S MINDSET MATTERS**

From Monday 5th October we will be having a special Mindset Monday Virtual Assembly for all our school children.

During this assembly, Mr Reid will discuss the benefits of a growth mindset and the children will complete a health and wellbeing activity with Mrs Brownlie. This will be a great way to set us all up with the right mindset for the week ahead.



We will also be having a Fabulous Friday Virtual Assembly with Mrs Hunter and Mrs Johnston to end our week in style and celebrate our achivements.



#### **OCTOBER BREAK**

It feels like we are only back from the September weekend, but a little reminder that schools close at 3pm on Friday 9th October for the October week break.

We look forward to welcoming the pupils back at 9am on Monday 19th October.

# OUR MOSSEND PROMISE



Every pupil in our school has been given a card to keep to remind them of our Mossend promise.

On the reverse you can view the Dojo points your child can earn each week, all of these reflect our Growth Mindset attributes at Mossend Primary School, the curriculum capacities and our vision and values.

Ask your child about them.

#### WHERE STARS SHINE BRIGHTER