



Muirhouse Primary and Nursery Class

April 2022

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Happy Safe Learning Trust Friendship Kindness Respect

Dear Parents and Carers

This newsletter hopes to inform parents of some key dates and events in this final term. Restrictions have eased significantly, allowing us to plan more than we have been able to for some time! There has been a lot of short notice planning and indeed not all events are yet fully confirmed but this newsletter aims to give as much notice as possible.

Updates will be emailed out throughout the term.

Start and finish times

Easing of restrictions means that we no longer need to have staggered start and finish times or staggered lunches. We will revert to original times from **Monday 25th April**.

The school day will start at **8.55am** for everyone. Children should continue to enter and exit by the same gates.

The playground will be opened to pupils from **8.40am**. Any pupil who arrives before that time is advised to attend the breakfast club which is open from **8.15am**. Pupils should not arrive before these times as there will be no supervision in place.

All children will be dismissed at **3pm**, via the same exits as before. If you collect your child from school please arrange where to meet them.

Lunchtime will be **12.30 to 1.20pm** for all. Children have been briefed on how sittings will operate.

Developing the Young Workforce

Throughout **week beginning 25th April**, pupils will be taking part in activities related to careers in STEM, through a virtual careers fair. P5-7 will be looking at Circular Economies and we also hope to have career talks from the photographer and Community Police.

Step into STEM

The remaining two STEM events will take place on Friday 29th April and Friday 12th May. These take place during the school day.

Garden Gang

This pupil voice group hope to get some tree saplings planted this week.

House Treat

Well done Oak House for winning the house competition last term. A fun afternoon has been arranged for **Friday 6th May**. Pupils in Oak House can dress down on this day.

Parent progress conferences

Our decision to hold off for teacher/parent conferences has paid off as we are now able to invite parents into school to discuss pupil progress with the teacher in person on **Wednesday 25th May**.

Please look out for further information on how to book an appointment.

P7 dates so far

Friday 6th May (AM)- CVHS Cluster Sports Day

Wednesday 11th May- CVHS Maths Challenge (2 pupils to represent MPS)

Monday 23rd May- Dalziel Games Evening

Wednesday 25th May- CVHS Day 1 and Our Lady's Day 1

Thursday 26th May- CVHS Day 2 and Our Lady's Day 2

Tuesday 31st May- Dalziel online parents information evening

6th-10th June- ACTIVITY WEEK:

Mon- Tinto Hill

Tuesday- Climbing

Wednesday- Skiing

Thursday- Gym and Fitness session at FerriFit

Friday- Barons Haugh with Miss McCallum

The costs for this week are £60 and this can be paid for via I-pay. This cost is significantly less than the £108 for the NLC week of activities that was offered earlier in the year.

Treat trip to AirThrill in process of being organised for a date sometime in the last 2 weeks of term. This trip is funded by the parent council.



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Monday 13 June- Dalziel Day 1

Tuesday 14 June- Dalziel Day 2

Thursday 23 June AM- Graduation Assembly
P7 Cinema Night at CVHS

Friday 24 June- Coffee Morning for parents of those pupils going to Clyde Valley with enhanced transition.

Coltness High School dates have not yet been shared.

Hoodies are in hand. Orders will go in soon and will be with us in time for Activity week. These cost £19.50 and again this will be set up on i-pay.

If any parent is experiencing difficulty in covering the cost of activities and hoodies, please contact the school.

School trips

We hope to arrange a summer trip for all classes. More information will follow.

Summer Fete

The Parent Council are busy planning the return of the annual summer fete. This will take place 3-5pm on **Friday 10th June**. More information will follow.

There will be a dress down day for all pupils on **Wednesday 1st June**, when instead of bringing money, pupils will be asked to donate a bottle for the bottle stall. This can be any kind of filled bottle, for example a drink, shampoo, bubble bath, sauce etc. Parents are asked to hand in any alcoholic or glass bottles at reception rather than via your child. Thank you for your support with this.

The parent council would also welcome any donations for raffle prizes.

Sports Days

We hope to have a P1-4 sports day on the afternoon of **Monday 13th June** and one for P5-7 on **Tuesday 14th June**. Again, more information will follow.

P1 transition

The transition programme for our new P1s is well underway. Mrs Meek is keeping all new parents up to date with these arrangements.

Other important dates

Monday 2nd May- School closed for Bank Holiday

Thursday 5th May- School closed to pupils for polling and staff in-service day

Friday 27th May- School closed for holiday

Thursday 2nd June and Friday 3rd June- school closed for Queen's Jubilee Celebrations

Wednesday 15th - Friday 17th June- clothing collection

Monday 27th June- P1-6 Prize Giving 10am
Nursery Graduation (3-4pm)

Tuesday 28th June- Nursery fun day

Wednesday 29th June- School closes for summer at 1pm

This newsletter has been issued at the earliest opportunity. Please look for emails with additional information as it becomes available. It is also possible that there may be some necessary amendments, given the speed at which many events have been organised.

Your support and cooperation, is as always, greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely

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