



**Noble Primary School**  
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**Our shared vision: Working together to create a nurturing, inclusive, rights respecting community, where learning is exciting, challenging and relevant.**

**Respect      Achievement      Honesty      Resilience**



### Head Teacher's Message

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to a new year at Noble Primary School. I hope everyone has had a fantastic and restful summer break. Our Primary 7 children are doing a fantastic job of being buddies to our new Primary 1 children by helping in the dinner hall and playgrounds.

Communication is very important to us. Please make sure that you provide us with the most up-to-date address, telephone number and email address. If you haven't done so already, I would encourage you to follow our Twitter account **@Noble\_P\_S**.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Daniel Murray  
**Head Teacher**

**MEET THE  
TEACHER** 

#### Meet the Teacher - 3rd September 2019

Our first Open Hour of the session will take place on **Tuesday 3rd September at 2pm**. This is an opportunity for parents to visit their child(ren) in their classroom, as well as meet their new class teacher. More information will be issued nearer the time.

#### Health and Wellbeing - PE Days

Each class will have two PE times per week. One session may be outdoors, depending on the weather. For health and safety reasons, jewellery, including earrings, should not be worn on PE days. Studded ear-rings should be covered by a plaster.

## School Improvement Plan 2019 - 2020

Following the publication of our Education Scotland inspection report in March 2019, our school improvement agenda is based around the following three priorities:

Priority 1:	To continue to develop high quality learning and teaching approaches at all stages and impact positively on learner attainment and achievement.
Priority 2:	To improve attainment levels in numeracy and literacy through effective tracking, moderation and assessment.
Priority 3:	To improve emotional, mental and social wellbeing of learners through developing approaches to nurture and rights based curriculum.

## Staffing 2019 - 2020

P1a	Mrs Crichton
P1b	Mrs Murphy
P2	Miss Mitchell
P3/2	Mr Dornan/Mrs Mitchell
P4/3	Miss McAnally
P4	Mr Sharkie
P5/4	Mrs McMichael (M - W)/Mrs Craigan (Th-F)
P5	Miss Shields
P6a	Miss Morrison
P6b	Mrs Montgomery
P7	Mrs Fraser

Teacher's Non Class Contact Time will be covered by:  
Mrs Mitchell, Mrs Bruce, Mrs Chadwick, Mrs O'Neill

Mrs Fraser	Classroom Assistant
Mrs Quigley	Additional Support Needs Assistant
Ms Thomson	Additional Support Needs Assistant
Mrs Willis	Additional Support Needs Assistant (Pupil Equity Fund)

We would like to welcome back Mrs Woods, who will coordinate Woodwind Instruction within the school. Further information about this will be issued within the next few weeks.



## Scottish Attainment Challenge - Physical and Active Wellbeing Coaches



As one of the 35 Attainment Challenge schools within North Lanarkshire, I am delighted to welcome the two coaches. The coaches will be working with all children within the school, supporting class teachers to deliver PE lessons and working with small groups of children from all classes. The coaches are North Lanarkshire employees who will work with us at Noble from August to December. Further information about the coaches is available by contacting the school.

## Kilbowie Outdoor Learning Centre, Oban 2019 - 2020

Our dates for the Kilbowie Outdoor Learning Centre this session will be from Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2020 to Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020. An information event for parents will be issued nearer the time.

## Edinburgh International Book Festival 2019

Primary 6 and Primary 7 will be attending the Edinburgh Book Festival at the end of August. P7 will attend on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> of August to meet the author of 'The Cost of War', David MacPhail.

P6 will attend on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August and meet the poet, Roger Stevens. Arrangements for both excursions will be sent out in due course. We are delighted to have secured tickets to the festival again, and would like to thank our Parent Council for supporting the cost of buses to this event.



## Sharing your Child's Progress and Learning Journey

At Noble Primary School, we share and celebrate learning in lots of different ways including:

- Termly class newsletters detailing what your child(ren) will be learning so that you can identify ways to support at home.
- Weekly 'What's On' are posted on Twitter so that you can discuss upcoming events with your child before they happen in school.
- Home learning activities will be issued by your child's class teacher.
- Starting in October, your child's jotters will be sent home on a termly basis. This is an opportunity for you and your child to discuss their learning and celebrate their achievements.
- All classes are encouraged to 'tweet' regularly, sharing their class' learning with our Twitter community.



- Each class will lead an assembly this session, as well as a class showcase. The showcase is an opportunity for the children to present a theme they have been learning about and 'showcase' their best work to parents and friends.
- Weekly assemblies are used to share and celebrate skills and achievements outwith the school.
- We have two formal parent/teacher consultations about pupil progress in November and May, with a formal written report issued in April/May 2020.

Throughout the session, we will offer workshops/information events to learn more about ways to support your child at home. If there is anything specific you would like, please do let us know.

### Additional Support for Learning Coordinator

If you have any initial concerns around your child's progress, please discuss this with your child's class teacher in the first instance. If your child requires any additional support for learning within or out-with class, this is coordinated by Mrs Bruce, who is our Additional Support for Learning Coordinator. Please contact the school in the first instance.

### Child Protection Coordinator

Every adult in Scotland has a role in ensuring all our children and young people are safe and protected from harm at all times. The Head Teacher is responsible for the schools actions in response to Child Protection concerns

If there are any Child Protection concerns the Head Teacher or the Child Protection Co-ordinator will follow North Lanarkshire Child Protection Procedures and Guidelines

**Child Protection Co-ordinator is: Mr Murray**

**Telephone Number: 01698 274907**

### Healthy Packed Lunch Choices

As a Health Promoting School we would like to remind you of making healthy choices in pupil packed lunch boxes. We discourage fizzy drinks and too many sweets/chocolates possibly replacing them with flavoured water and fruit. All pupils are encouraged to bring a water bottle to school and can access this during class time. A bottle with a sports cap is preferred. Please note, bottles should be filled up with plain water only. *No fruit or flavoured water is permitted to be drunk in class.*





## Joint School Travel Plan - Reminder

Parents/Carers bringing pupils to school by car and collecting them at the end of the day within this tight network of roads about the schools are, unfortunately, causing hazards that are endangering pupils and preventing the local community going about their own business. While we understand and respect what Parents/Carers are trying to do for their children in the interest of safety we must take action now before a pupil, or indeed a member of the public is seriously injured.

Three areas have been identified as pick up and drop off zones where you can take your car, park it, then walk your child to playground. We would ask you, after putting your child in the schools, to then leave the area to allow other parents/carers to use your parking space. This scheme will make it easy and safe for everyone - parents, pupils and neighbours.

Three zones have been identified as safe car park areas:

- 1) St Gerard's Chapel, Fleming Rd
- 2) Parking area next to St Gerard's Chapel, Fleming Rd
- 3) Small parking area on Kelvin Rd ( Limited parking only )

Identified streets for concern must be kept clear. They are:-

- 1) Kelvin Road
- 2) Bell Street
- 3) Fleming Road
- 4) Mackenzie Terrace
- 5) Baird Place
- 6) Limegrove Street
- 7) Arcadia Street
- 8) Shirrel Avenue



**STRATHCLYDE  
POLICE**

I would ask that all parents/carers actively help with the School Travel Plan by keeping children safe. Positive and direct action will be taken by the police against drivers who continue to park their vehicles indiscriminately or dangerously in any location surrounding the schools. Parking on pavements and on zig-zag lines is an offence. Please bear in mind that the streets surrounding the school are residential and consideration must be afforded to the residents attempting to access and leave their homes with their own vehicles.

The police can carry out periodic checks and will enforce the law with regard to dangerously parked vehicles.

## School Calendar

Please note, dates and times are subject to change.

### Calendar of Events 2019 - 2020

Event	Date	Time
P7 Visit to Book Festival	Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> August	TBC
P6 Visit to Book Festival	Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> August	TBC
Meet the Teacher	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	2pm - 3pm
Fairtrade Coffee Morning	Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	9:30am - 11:00am
HOLIDAY	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	School Closed
HOLIDAY	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> September	School Closed

## NLC School Holidays 2019-2020

### **September 2019**

September weekend holidays: Friday 27 September 2019 to Monday 30 September 2019

### **October 2019**

October break: Monday 14 October 2019 to Friday 18 October 2019 (inclusive)

### **November 2019**

In-service day: Monday 18 November 2019

In-service day: Tuesday 19 November 2019

### **December 2019 - January 2020**

Christmas and New Year Holidays: Friday 20 December 2019 - Friday 3 January 2020 (inclusive)

### **February 2020**

Mid-term break: Monday 10 February 2020 and Tuesday 11 February 2020

In-service Day: Wednesday 12 February 2020

In-service Day: Thursday 13 February 2020

### **March/April 2020**

Spring break: Monday 6 April 2020 to Friday 17 April 2020 (inclusive)

Good Friday 10 April 2020 and Easter Monday 13 April 2020

### **May 2020**

May day holiday: Friday 8 May 2020

In-Service day: 11 May 2020

May weekend holiday: Friday 22 May 2020 and Monday 25 May 2020

## **June 2020**

School closes: Wednesday 24 June 2020