# Noble Primary School Shirrel Avenue, Bellshill, North Lanarkshire, ML4 1JR

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





Head Teacher's Message

Dear Parents,

We are now beginning our second planning term here at Noble Primary as we enter into a very busy time of the school year. Next week, we have a specific focus on the STEM subjects – Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics. We are arranging some visitors and workshops to support learning from Summerlee Heritage Centre and Glasgow Science Centre. Classes will be sharing their learning on Twitter over the week using the #NobleSTEM. On Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November, we invite you to attend our STEM Open Hour where you will see some of the activities the children are involved in. Please drop in between 9:15am and 10:15am.

Please remember that all classes will be going to the cinema on the morning of Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November. The children should wear their **full school uniform** and must arrive at school on time for the bus pick up. We may arrive back later for lunch so I would ask that all children remain in school for lunch. The lunch option will be a snack to go only that day. Thank you for your continued support

Yours sincerely,

Mr Daniel Murray <u>Head Teacher</u>





### <u>Staff Car Park</u>

Please remember that our car park is extremely busy in the morning as our school is used for NLC training courses, Speech and Language Therapists, North Lanarkshire Development Officers working in the Learning Hub (Formerly known as the Literacy Base) as well as our own staff. <u>Please do not park on the yellow lines in the car</u> <u>park or assigned car parking spaces. Our children's safety is our number one</u> <u>priority.</u>



#### November Right of the Month

Article 38: I am not allowed to join the army until I am 15.

Mrs Bruce and the Rights Respecting School's Committee launched our new Right of the Month from the UNCRC, on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November. The children were learning about world conflicts and right that protects them from warfare.



## <u>Christmas Fayre – Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2019</u>

REMINDER: The Parent Council Christmas Fayre on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November 10.00am to 12.00pm. As in previous years, each class will be making something to sell at the event, and we hope that you are able to come along and support us. There will be a Santa's Grotto, Secret Santa, Tea Room, Play Your Cards Right, Pocket Money Toys, Tombola, Raffles

etc.

If you would like to organise a stall at the event, please contact Amanda Mitchell, Chairperson of the Parent Council, via the school office.

### <u>P1 – 7 Christmas Show – A Christmas Extravaganza</u>

This year, all classes will be performing in our full school Christmas Show. The theme of the show will be Christmas through the Years. Each class will perform a popular Christmas song from various decades, as well as telling us a few facts about significant events from the year their song was released. Dates at times for our Christmas Extravaganza are below:

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December - 9.30am & 1.30pm

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December - 1.30pm

(Tickets go on sale Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November)

### Christmas Service - Lessons and Carols

Mrs Bruce and Mrs Mitchell will be working with the children to perform our very first Lessons and Carols service on 19<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am.

## **Congratulations!**

Congratulations to Miss McAnally on her recent marriage. Miss McAnally will now be known as Mrs Wells, and we wish her every happiness for the future.

## Poppy Appeal Scotland

The Pupil Council will be selling poppies this week at lunch time in the dinner hall at 1pm. We ask that the children bring in a silver coin as a suggested donation. The children will be learning more about Poppy Scotland at our whole school assembly on the 8<sup>th</sup> November.



## Making a Difference Groups - Update

If you follow us on Twitter, you will have seen some of the work undertaken in our Making a Difference Groups.

| Group          | Staff Member      | MAD Focus  |
|----------------|-------------------|--|
| Road Safety    | Paul Sharkie      | Making a difference to our road safety awareness.    |
| School Grounds | Morag Montgomery  | Making a difference to our school grounds.           |
| Community 1    | David Dornan      | Making a difference to our local community.          |
| Community 2    | Pauline McAnally  | Making a difference to our local community.          |
| Outdoor 1      | Karen Crichton    | Making a difference to outdoor learning.             |
| Outdoor 2      | Jane Murphy       | Making a difference to outdoor learning.             |
| Marine 1       | Elaine Craigan    | Making a difference to our local marine environment. |
| Marine 2       | Cara Morrison     | Making a difference to our local marine environment. |
| Our World 1    | Joanne Fraser     | Making a difference to our world (sustainability).   |
| Our World 2    | Amanda Mitchell   | Making a difference to our world (sustainability).   |
| Fairtrade 1    | Danielle O'Neill  | Making a difference to equality through Fair Trade.  |
| Fairtrade 2    | Stephanie Shields | Making a difference to equality through Fair Trade.  |

Our Making a Difference Groups meet on the last Friday of every month. The group is made of pupils from P1 - 7 and the meeting lasts usually around  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours. Each teacher is responsible for leading the group as per table above. The purpose is to include the children as much as possible in decision making around the key MAD focus themes. Follow our work on Twitter.

## Children in Need – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November

Primary 2 and Miss Mitchell will be organising a Pudsey Big Play Day on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November. This event will be free for classes only. The event will take place in the gym hall. Pupils can dress down, however, could they wear something yellow for Children in Need. Pupils should pay £1 to dress down. **Strictly no football colours**.



## <u> Tesco – Bags for Life Update</u>

We now have our £2000 grant in the school funds account and we have begun to review our plans to spend this money to update our playground. The Pupil Council have looked into costings for playground markings and we are in the process of getting some quotes. We will keep you up to date with what we decide.

**Can you help?** At recent Pupil Council meeting, the children raised the issue of access to the trim trail in all weathers. Unfortunately, with our weather, the grass can become muddy and this limits access to the trim trail. We are looking at different surfaces that we could use to solve this problem. If you are a landscaper or have an area of expertise in this area, we would love to hear from you. Please contact the school office.

| What?       | Stage  | Time             | Dates                                   |
|-------------|--------|------------------|---|
| Rugby       | P4 - 5 | 3.00pm to 4.00pm | Monday until 2 <sup>nd</sup> December   |
| Handball    | P3 - 5 | 3.00pm to 4.00pm | Monday until 2 <sup>nd</sup> December   |
| Dance       | P5 - 7 | 3.00pm to 4.00pm | Tuesday until 3 <sup>rd</sup> December  |
| Cricket     | P4 - 6 | 3.00pm to 4.00pm | Tuesday until 3 <sup>rd</sup> December  |
| Athletics   | P3 - 4 | 3.00pm to 4.00pm | Wednesday until 4 <sup>th</sup>         |
|             |        |                  | December                                |
| Football    | P6 - 7 | 3.00pm to 4.00pm | Thursday until 5 <sup>th</sup> December |
| Multisports | P4 - 5 | 3.00pm to 4.00pm | Thursday until 5 <sup>th</sup> December |
| Netball     | P5 - 7 | 3.00pm to 4.00pm | Friday until 6 <sup>th</sup> December   |

### After School Clubs for this Term





## Exceptional Closure- General Election- Thursday 12 December 2019.

As you will be aware there will be a General Election on Thursday 12 December 2019. This school will be used as a polling station for the election on that day, with the hours of poll being from 7am until 10pm. Therefore, this school will be closed for all pupils on this day.

## <u>School Calendar</u>

Please note, dates and times are subject to change.

| Calendar of Events 2019 - 2020    |   |                                    |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|--|--|
| Event                             | Date  | Time                               |  |  |
| P1 Summerlee visit                | Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November   | Whole Day                          |  |  |
| Primary 6A Whitelee<br>Windfarm   | Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November  | Whole day                          |  |  |
| Primary 6B Whitelee<br>Windfarm   | Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> November                                       | Whole day                          |  |  |
| P7 Science Centre                 | Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> November                                       | Whole day                          |  |  |
| Film Festival                     | Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November                                       | 9.00am to 12.00noon                |  |  |
| Open Hour                         | Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> November                                      | 9.15am to 10.15am                  |  |  |
| In-service Days                   | Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> November &<br>Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> November |                                    |  |  |
| Parent Teacher<br>Consultations   | Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> November                                      |                                    |  |  |
| P5 Big Hit Festival               | Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November  | Whole day                          |  |  |
| P4 Glasgow People's Palace        | Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> November                                     | Whole day                          |  |  |
| Parent Council Christmas<br>Fayre | Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> November                                      | 10.00am to 12.00noon               |  |  |
| Flu Vaccinations                  | Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December                                      |                                    |  |  |
| Christmas Extravaganza            | Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December                                       | Performances at 9.30am &<br>1.30pm |  |  |
| Christmas Extravaganza            | Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December                                     | Performance at 9.30am              |  |  |
| Primary 5 & 6 Christmas<br>Party  | Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December                                     | 1.20pm to 3.00pm                   |  |  |
| Election                          | Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December                                      | Whole day                          |  |  |
| Primary 7 Christmas Party         | Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December  | 1.20pm to 3.00pm                   |  |  |
| Primary 3 & 4 Christmas<br>Party  | Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December                                       | 1.20pm to 3.00pm                   |  |  |
| Primary 1 & 2 Christmas<br>Party  | Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December                                     | 1.20pm to 3.00pm                   |  |  |
| Christmas Service                 | Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December                                      | 9.30am                             |  |  |