



# 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.



## A Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope many of you managed to enjoy the glorious sunshine over the May holiday weekend. Can you believe we are now in June and fast approaching the end of the academic year here at Noble? I am sure you will agree that this has been an extraordinary year!

At the weekend, we received some exciting news from Eco Schools Scotland. Thanks to everyone's hard work and commitment, we have finally achieved our first Eco Schools Award. The report also identified good practice and Eco Schools Scotland has asked us if they can share this more widely, with other schools in Scotland! We are simply delighted. Well done to all of the children and staff, and a special thank you to Mrs Murphy and Miss Mitchell for leading the Eco work across the school.

We are currently finalising our school improvement priorities over the next few weeks. Thank you to those of you that managed to complete our online parent survey. Our priorities will continue to centre around raising attainment, developing digital skills, outdoor learning and health and wellbeing.

Finally, I would like to end by saying thank you. This has not been an easy year for anyone but your positive words of encouragement and support, particularly in our recent survey, have been gratefully received. On behalf of all of the staff at Noble Primary School, I would like to wish you and your family a fantastic summer holiday when it comes.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Daniel Murray  
Head Teacher

## Classes for Next Session and Pupil Reports

Our school roll for August looks likely to be around 254 children. This means there will be 10 classes. I am currently working with staff to finalise the class structure. Once I have received my final staffing allocation, I hope to be in a position to confirm your child's class teacher for August.

Teachers are currently working on written reports and these will be issued mid June.

## Sun Safety

Just a reminder:

Please keep your child safe in the sun:

- Apply sun cream before your child comes to school.
- Encourage your child to wear a suitable hat with good coverage.
- Long sleeves provide good sun protection.
- Provide your child with plenty of water in a sports cap bottle/s.



## Eco Scotland Award

We are absolutely delighted to have achieved our first Eco Scotland Award. Over the past year, the children have been learning more about sustainable living, recycling, reducing waste, and developing our school grounds as an ecosystem. We have made a fantastic start towards becoming an Eco School. Our aim is to embed this approach across the school.



## Transition Update

We were delighted to welcome our new intake to the school last week. Although this was in small bubbles, it was wonderful to meet the children and make links with our new families. Please follow our new transition page on Twitter for updates @NobleTransition. We will be arranging another visit very soon.

Our Primary 7 pupils will also have a visit to their new school on the afternoon of Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June. Arrangements for this have been emailed to parents separately. Remember all of our letters are posted on our website.



## Primary 7 Leavers' Arrangements

Due to the current Scottish Government and NLC guidance, we are prohibited from organising any events involving parents, including outdoor events (more information can be found on North Lanarkshire Council's website and Twitter). However, we do recognise that leaving primary school is a significant event in our children's lives, and under these circumstances, it's imperative, that any plans we do have are fully risk assessed. With this in mind, our current plans/arrangements are as follows:

- The children have now received their hoodies, which they can wear as part of their uniform.
- The children should wear their 'leavers' hoodies on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June for a class photo, taken by the school, for the yearbook.
- The children are currently working on their leavers' yearbook, which has been funded by the Parent Council. The Parent Council will also issue the children with their school tie and £10 Amazon voucher.
- The children are preparing a digital leavers' assembly that will be recorded and stored on Glow.
- In the final week, we will be organising a special day of celebration with the children and if the weather is good, it is anticipated that this will be outside. (Date to be confirmed.)



## Covid 19: Level 2

We continue to evaluate our risk assessments in line with Scottish Government and NLC Guidance. Please help us to keep everyone safe by following our guidance at drop off and pick up times: face coverings unless exempt and observe 2m social distancing at all times, we ask that only one adult drops off/collects their child/ren at the gate.

**We would politely ask you to drop off your child/ren at the gate and leave as quickly as you can. Senior staff are in the playground supervising.**

## Clothing and Uniform

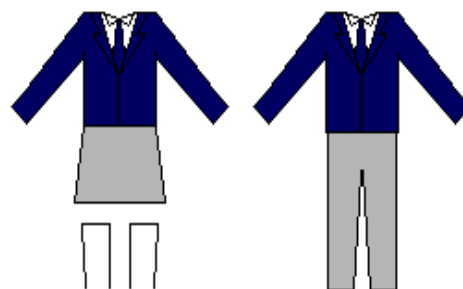
In the new term in August we will be returning to full school uniform, in line with North Lanarkshire guidelines. During the first full week back in August you will be notified of your child/children's PE days and on these days pupils can attend school in their PE kit. Please refer to the NLC website with regards to the various grants available to support families.

### Primary 1 to 6

- Grey trousers or skirt
- Blue cardigan or sweatshirt
- White polo shirt
- White shirt and tie

### Primary 7

- Black trousers or skirt
- Black cardigan or sweatshirt
- White polo shirt
- White shirt and tie



### PE Kit

- Polo shirt
- Shorts
- Leggings/sports trousers
- Gym shoes



### P7 Sponsored Walk

P.7A are taking part in a sponsored walk on Thursday 10th June and P.7B on Friday 11th June to raise much-needed funds for St Andrews Hospice. The pupils will walk the farm road and follow the cycle path back to the school.

### School Sports' Day

School sports' day will be held per class during week beginning 14<sup>th</sup> June. Weather permitting this will be taking place outside; unfortunately, we cannot accommodate spectators due to the current restrictions. Please ensure your child/children wear their sports kit, bring a water bottle and apply sunscreen. Separate letter to follow.



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I should not be made to do dangerous work

Article 32 of the UNCRC says that children and young people shouldn't be able to work until they reach a certain age. In Scotland, they're not allowed to do almost any kind of work until they are 13. Rules about the work they can do remain in place until they are 18.

The number of hours a child or young person can work in a week should be limited by the government. When they work, they should be protected from violence.

### End of Term Arrangements

School closes on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June for the summer holiday.

Please remember:

If your child starts at 8:50am, he/she will finish at 12:50pm.

If your child starts at 9:00am, he/she will finish at 1:00pm.

As per our arrangements for Christmas, **please do not send in any gifts to school**. We always appreciate the thought. However, this is not only to follow current guidelines relating to items being brought into the school but also to reduce any financial costs to families at this time of year. Thank you for your understanding.



# School Improvement Plan

## Parent Survey Results May 2021

I feel staff really know my child as an individual.

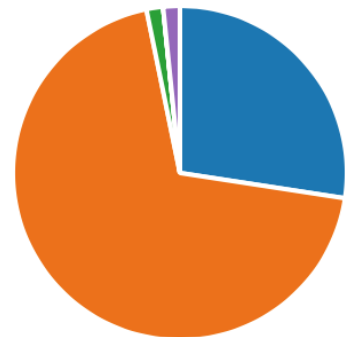
Strongly agree	23
Agree	34
Disagree	2
Strongly disagree	0
Don't know	3



*Almost all parents agree or strongly agree that staff know their child as an individual.*

My child finds their learning activities challenging enough.

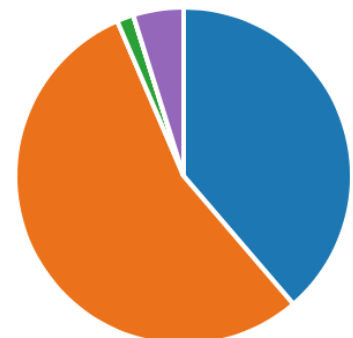
Strongly agree	17
Agree	43
Disagree	1
Strongly disagree	0
Don't know	1



*Almost all parents agree or strongly agree that their child's learning is challenging enough.*

My child receives the help he/she needs to do well.

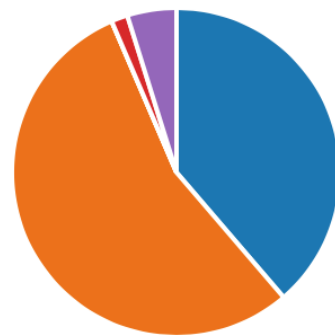
Strongly agree	24
Agree	34
Disagree	1
Strongly disagree	0
Don't know	3



*Almost all parents agree or strongly agree that their child receives the help and support he/she needs to do well.*

The school supports my child's emotional wellbeing.

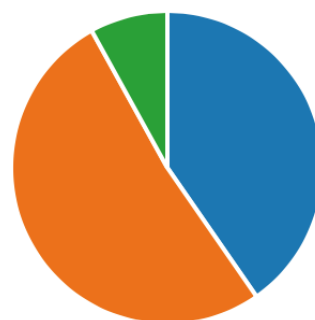
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Agree	34
Disagree	0
Strongly disagree	1
Don't know	3



*Almost all parents agree or strongly agree that we support their child's wellbeing.*

Communication from the school is good.

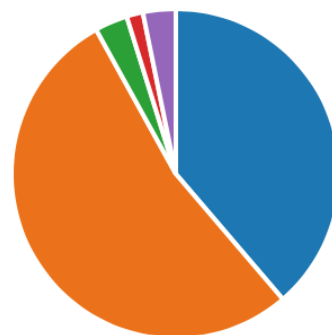
Strongly agree	25
Agree	32
Disagree	5
Strongly disagree	0
Don't know	0



*Almost all parents agree or strongly agree that communication in the school is good.*

During the period of remote learning, I was satisfied with the digital provision that was put in place at Noble Primary School.

Strongly agree	24
Agree	33
Disagree	2
Strongly disagree	1
Don't know	2



*Almost all parents agree or strongly agree that they were satisfied with the digital provision.*

## Overall, I am satisfied with the school.

● Strongly agree	24
● Agree	33
● Disagree	2
● Strongly disagree	1
● Don't know	2



*Almost all parents agree or strongly agree that they are satisfied with the school.*

## What do you consider the school is doing well? (Sample comments)

*"Communication is excellent and has continued throughout the Covid situation. The school community feeling remains. Our children and us as parents have felt part of the school community throughout."*

*"Understands each child's needs."*

*"Parental engagement."*

*"Keeps parents informed of any changes due to Covid and support with digital/home learning."*

*"Always puts the needs of the children first. Communication to parents is excellent. Even with restrictions in place the school has still undertaken fun activities for the children such as dress down/ crazy hair day and odd socks day."*

## What are priorities for the school? (Sample comments)

*"Engagement with the school for parents/ carers is practically non-existent at the moment. I appreciate the unprecedented times but think more could have been done."*

*"Like all schools, I think that getting on track after lockdown is important."*

*"Ensuring the high standard of attainment is maintained."*

*"Continue to promote the health, wellbeing and resilience of the children as part of their Covid recovery."*

*"Think they should have more outdoor activities as the kids really enjoy them."*



