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Welcome to Noble Primary School



Starting Primary 1

Session 2021/2022

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Head Teacher: Mr Daniel Murray

Principal Teacher: Mrs Margaret Bruce

Principal Teacher: Mrs Carolyn Mitchell



Welcome to Noble Primary school.
The purpose of this booklet is to provide you with some useful information to support your child's transition to primary school.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Mr D Murray
Head Teacher

Covid-19

Please note that, due to the current circumstances, some of the information we have included in this welcome booklet is subject to change. We follow Scottish Government and local authority guidance for schools and update our risk assessments accordingly. Schools will operate differently during these times. We will communicate any changes to arrangements as soon as we can.

Current school hours for P1 pupils*

9:00am - 10:35am

Interval: 10:35am - 10:50am

10:50am - 12:30pm

Lunch break - 12.30pm - 1.15pm

1:15pm - 3.00pm

*This may change in August.



Starting School - Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th August 2021

We will welcome our children back to school on Monday 16th August. For P1 pupils, the first day will start at 10:00am and finish at 2:30pm.

Please enter the school via the Baird Place gate to enter Zone 1. A member of staff will be there to direct you. Parents must wear a face covering, unless exempt, and observe 2m social distancing at all times. As part of our risk assessment, only one adult per child must accompany your child into the playground. The same arrangements will apply at 2:00pm.



We will post lots of pictures on Twitter so you can follow their journey through the first day.

Arrangements from Wednesday 18th August 2021

From Wednesday, the children will be able to enter the school playground from 8:50am to start at 9:00am and will finish at 3:00pm.

Lunch Arrangements

Lunch for P1 is currently 12:30pm to 1:15pm. The children can bring a packed lunch from home or order a free school meal from the dinner hall. Each morning, the children order their meal in advance.

Remember that all pupils from P1-3 are entitled to a free school meal. We would encourage you to sign up for the weekly menu alerts so that you can discuss your child's options for dinner the day before. **Please let us know if your child has any dietary requirements.**

Find out more about school meals by visiting NLC website :

<https://www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-meals>

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is available each day from 8:15am. Mrs Fraser, Classroom Assistant, is our supervisor. Use the gate from Shirrel Avenue to access the main entrance. Please telephone the school office if there any specific questions.



Curriculum for Excellence

"Bringing learning to life and life to learning"

Curriculum for Excellence represents Scotland's vision for the education of all children. It aims to raise standards, improve knowledge and develop skills. Ultimately, Curriculum for Excellence aims is to improve our children's life chances, to nurture **successful** learners, **confident** individuals, **effective** contributors, and **responsible** citizens, building on Scotland's reputation for great education.

We have a strong emphasis on play based learning here at Noble Primary School and the positive impact this has on learning and health and wellbeing

Home Learning and Glow

Your child will be given a variety of homework activities which will build on classroom tasks and reinforce their learning. Please encourage your child to complete all homework tasks set and to look after any books and other resources that are sent home.

You can also help your child to learn by:

- ✓ Encouraging them to be independent e.g. getting dressed, tying their shoelaces and washing-hands
- ✓ Helping them develop literacy skills by reading with them every day, learning nursery rhymes together and encouraging them to draw and write
- ✓ Helping them develop number skills by encouraging them to count and use numbers e.g. counting up and down stairs, pairing up socks or collecting stones and putting them in order of size
- ✓ Supporting, encouraging and listening to them as they express themselves, talk about their thoughts and ideas, and how they're feeling
- ✓ Remember to praise their efforts

Each class has their own Microsoft Team. To access, your child will be given a GLOW username and password. GLOW is the name of the intranet system used by all Scottish schools.

Absences

If your child is absent from school, we ask you to inform the school as soon as possible on the day that he/she is absent. At Noble Primary School, we expect and encourage excellent attendance; however, pupils who are unwell should not be sent to school. **If your child shows any symptoms of Covid-19 please do not send him/her to school.** Self-isolate, arrange a test, and keep us informed at school.

Occasionally children become ill while at school. If this happens, we will contact you by telephone and ask you to collect your child. If you are not available, we will contact the emergency contact number given to us.

Bringing a Health Snack to School

For morning interval, please send a small healthy snack and drink into school with your child. We are a health promoting school, and **discourage fizzy juice or high sugar drinks**. As we have some pupils with nut allergies, please support us by not sending any nut products into school this includes Nutella, any kinder products.



Water in School

Your child can bring a water bottle with a sports' cap every day. Water bottles must be taken home, rinsed and refilled. Please put their name on their bottle.

School Uniform - LABEL EVERYTHING

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

Outdoor Learning

P1 and P2 make good use of the outdoor learning environment as part of their daily programme. The children should come prepared to be outside, even if it is a little bit drizzly.



Health and Wellbeing: PE

All children will experience 2 hours of PE per week. We will let you know what days your child has PE. At present, all PE activities take place outside, due to current health and safety guidance. We advise that the children come prepared in a polo shirt, outdoor shoes, jogging bottoms and jumper. In the interests of safety, the children should not wear any jewellery or false nails.



Communication

We use email, text messaging, Twitter and our website as our main form of communication. Teaching staff will be busy at the end of the day, so we ask if you have any specific concerns or queries to direct these to the school office in the first instance. Please ensure we have the most up to date contact details for you.

Supporting Children's Learning

From time to time, some children may require additional support with their learning. This could be short, medium or long term. Our Additional Support for Learning Co-ordinator is Mrs Margaret Bruce. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with us at school if you have any questions or concerns about your child's learning. More information is in our school handbook.

Safeguarding

Mr Murray, Head Teacher is our Child Protection Co-ordinator and Named Person for all of the children at Noble Primary School. More information is in our school handbook.

Holiday Dates 2021/2022

August 2021

In-service day: Thursday 12 August 2021

In-service day: Friday 13 August 2021

Pupils return to school: Monday 16 August 2021

September 2021

September weekend holidays: Friday 24 September 2021 and Monday 27 September 2021

October 2021

October break: Monday 11 to Friday 15 October 2021 (inclusive)

November 2021

In-service day: Monday 15 November 2021

December 2021 - January 2022

Christmas and New Year holidays: Thursday 23 December 2021 to Friday 7 January (Inclusive)

Schools close at 2.30 pm on Wednesday 22 December 2021

February 2022

Mid-term break: Monday 14 February 2022 and Tuesday 15 February 2022

In-service day: Wednesday 16 February 2022

April 2022

Monday 4 April 2022 to Monday 18 April 2022 (inclusive)

Schools close at 2.30 pm on Friday 1 April 2022

Good Friday 15 April 2022 and Easter Monday 18 April 2022

May 2022

May day holiday: Monday 2 May 2022

In-service day: Thursday 5 May 2022 (to coincide with Scottish Local Government Elections)

May weekend holiday: Friday 27 May 2022 and Monday 30 May

June 2022

Schools Close: Wednesday 29 June 2022 at 1.00pm

Our website address is www.noble.n-lanark.sch.uk