I hope you all had a wonderful Summer, however, the holidays seem like a distant memory now although I think most of us are still waiting for the sunshine to make an appearance! Our new Primary 1 have all settled well into our Overtown family and their buddies continue to support them with lunch routines and wet interval instructions thank you P7. I am currently in the process of moving over all digital material from our website to our school blog (which can be accessed currently at the top of our school website). This will enable us to communicate correspondence and any up to date information in a quick and concise manner. The blog also allows teachers to keep you involved with work ongoing within classes. Please have a look and leave a comment or two.

Lorna James Acting Head Teacher

### New Build

The new Clyde Valley campus is certainly taking shape quickly and we are looking forward to sharing some more photos on our blog soon. We will continue to work closely with our partner school Castlehill this session and aim to provide a range of events and activities for all children within both establishments to build new and lasting friendships as we move to our new building in May.

### Golden Mile Initiative

As part of the Golden Mile Initiative, the whole school will be walking, jogging or running around our playground four times (rough equivalent of one mile) twice weekly. This will take place at the start of our Citizenship assembly on Monday and our singing assembly on Thursday. I would again ask for your assistance in ensuring your child has an appropriate jacket or cagoule they could wear at this time. This initiative aims to increase concentration and focus as well as improving health, mental wellbeing and overall fitness.

### Parent Council AGM

Thank you to all who managed along to the Parent Council AGM on Tuesday evening. The support of parents and funding received helps to benefit all pupils within our school. We greatly appreciate the time and support of all parents and carers and are always keen to hear new ideas. If you can spare an hour or would like to be involved as a volunteer please get in touch via our blog or at the email address at the top.

## Bikes/Scooters

Our JRSO (Junior Road Safety Officers) will soon be looking for your views on how we can best manage bikes and scooters. We want to ensure people walking to school are able to do so safely but we are keen to offer the option of alternative ways to travel. Parents and carers will be receiving some questionnaires from the children soon regarding this subject.

# Dates for your Diary

Tues 8<sup>th</sup> Primary 1 photos (Wishaw Press) - full uniform please

Tues 8<sup>th</sup> Rag bag collection

Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Target sheets to be returned (will be sent home Fri 11<sup>th</sup>)

Mon 14<sup>th</sup> P6 & P7 Gospel Hall class visits Fri 25<sup>th</sup> - Mon 28<sup>th</sup> September weekend holiday