

# Bridge of Weir Primary

Warlock Road, Bridge of Weir, PA11 3QB

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/re/bridgeofweirprimary>

Telephone: 01505 612833

---

Dear Parents and Carers

We are back and off to a flying start! Our school has been painted throughout and we are delighted with our fresh look. Primary 1 are settled in their new base and are stars at our weekly assembly along with our Primary 7 captains and vice captains, who are hoping that their house will be the term 1 winners.

Pupil Council elections have taken place and they have had their first meeting. They will be working on developing our religious and moral education programme.

We have had visits to the school from Chris Cleary, Team Scotland - Basketball, Boys and Girls Brigade, Tree of Knowledge also worked with Primary 5-7 and their parents to develop and share our work on Growth Mindset. Primary 4 have been to Vikingar, Primary 7 to Whitelee Windfarm, Primary 4, 5 and 7 are going to the Science Centre and Primary 7 to the Gryffe High School Fun Run!

We have been awarded £3000 for the development of cooking and we have a new music programme from nursery to Primary 7, led by Mr Duffy. We are delighted to welcome music specialists to work across the school and we look forward to sharing more about this with you in future newsletters.

We have introduced some new approaches to the teaching of reading. Miss Toole is leading this work and will be organising information events for you later in the year. We have included an additional newsletter about this aspect of school improvement.

We have had a Parent Council meeting, a Primary 1 curriculum evening and a focus on maths in 'Maths Week Scotland.' I think it is safe to say, we are well on our way to another busy year of teaching, learning and working together. Susan Bell, Head Teacher

---

## Upcoming Events

### September 19

P4, 5 and 7 Bright Sparks at the Science Centre

### September 21 and 24

Holiday – school closed

### September 26

Learning Journey Bags

### October 9 and 10

Parents' Evenings

### October 15 to 19

Holiday – school closed

### October 22

In-Service Day – school closed

---

## Important Announcement

Nut allergies can be extremely dangerous. We do have children who need to be protected. Please do not send in nuts for snacks or in packed lunch boxes.

## Parent Helpers

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered. We are still looking for more helpers so, if you have some time to spare, please contact Ms Davies, who will be delighted to hear from you.

---

---

## Keeping safe

Please follow our no parking times signposted in the bus bays. All adults please drop off and collect children from the front of the school. We want to ensure that there are no unknown adults in our playground in order to keep everyone safe. If you are collecting your child earlier please do so through the school office. Please remain on designated paths and do not cut across the school car park. It is **very** busy at the end of the day.

## Medications

If your child needs to take medicine at school, we need your permission in writing and all medication must have your child's name on it; this includes any form of pain relief. A form can be downloaded from the school website or picked up from the school office. Please ensure that asthma inhalers have been renewed and returned to the school. Staff have recently completed Epi-pen training and I must stress the importance of not sending nut products to school.

## Parent Council

Without your support, your time, your ideas and your talents to raise funds we simply could not afford to provide the enhanced curriculum that we do. Please contact our Parent Council Vice Chair – Isobel Wilson – on [isobelmcgonigle@btinternet.com](mailto:isobelmcgonigle@btinternet.com) and pledge your help at events that will be running this school year. Next meeting September 25 @ Amaretto

## Learning Journey Bags – Supporting Learning

Soon your child/children will be bringing home their Learning Journey Bag. This is a great opportunity to share work with you. It might be to discuss why a piece of work is good or it might be to discuss how a piece of work could be improved. We will also keep you informed about effort in class. 'Yes' ticked indicates that all is well and 'not yet' indicates that there is more to be done. We know that your support and encouragement is vital to ensuring the best progress at school and we ask that you take time to write a comment for your child.

## School Uniform Shop

Thank you for the donation of £2000 for school funds. Every time you buy from our school shop you are making a donation to the school. These high-quality sweatshirts and polo shirts last a long time, retain their shape and don't fade. Each year the uniform shop also provides the Primary 7 ties and Primary 1 book bags free of charge.

---



---

## In the Community

### Easy Fundraising

Whenever you buy online – from your weekly shop to your annual holiday – you could be making a free cash donation to the school.

Over 3000 retailers take part in this including Amazon, John Lewis, Sainsbury's.

All you have to do is sign up at [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk)

### Social Media

Please think before you click: anything you post on social media will be there long after you've gone. We're a small community and we need to think about everyone in it both offline and online. The National Parent Forum of Scotland has published a guide for parents and carers, called [Clicked social media and your school community](#).

[https://www.npfs.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/npfs\\_social-media\\_leaflet\\_E.pdf](https://www.npfs.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/npfs_social-media_leaflet_E.pdf)

We teach the children to be bucket fillers and think about the words that they use and how they can make others feel. We are all trying to do the best that we can.