



Heriot News 2

16 September 2026



Beat the Street

On Thursday 27 August a group of our pupils, along with Mrs Gordon, were invited along to the Beat the Street launch. They were joined by the Provost and pupils from Brediland Primary and St. Paul's Primary. There were lots of photos taken and our children were fantastic.

The Beat the Street initiative, is a community-wide physical activity programme designed to encourage active travel, promote healthier lifestyles, and foster stronger community connections. Renfrewshire has a proud history with Beat the Street.

Between 2020 and 2025, our local game achieved the highest engagement rate in the UK, with over a quarter of the population actively taking part.

This success was driven by the enthusiastic involvement of schools and families across the area. Beat the Street starts today and runs until 28 October 2026. We would encourage all of our pupils and children, and families, to take part. Information about how to take part, map of box locations and cards to play were sent home last week. Let's get on the leaderboard team Heriot!



Young Leaders of Learning

This year primary 6 pupils were invited to apply to participate in the Young Leaders of Learning programme. This programme was developed by Education Scotland to give children and young people a bigger say in their education and their schools. The programme strongly supports the work we have been doing around the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child as part of our Rights Respecting Schools journey.

The Young Leaders of Learning programme strives to ensure that children and young people are actively involved in on-going self-evaluation activities leading to improvement. This will involve:

- Taking part in reciprocal visits to another local school to identify what is working well, areas for improvement and effective practice.
- Promoting ways that children and young people can be involved in school improvement activities in their own school.

This year, our Young Leaders of Learning are Jessica James, Cooper Burns, Emma Rice, Emily Casey, Aoife Courtney and Emma McNally.

Congratulations!

We are delighted to inform you that, following application and interview, we have appointed our new House Captains and Vice Captains.

House Captains	Vice Captains	House	House Captains	Vice Captains	House
Lucas Russell	Emma Rice	Maxwellton	Molly McKellar	Daisy Byford	Barshaw
Olivia Malik	Sophie Buckley	Durrockstock	Logan Kerr	Jessie Hunter	Brodie

Heriot Parent Staff Group

The dates for our meetings this session are below. We usually meet on the first Monday of the month, within the school, from 6 - 7pm. We really need, and want, some more parents to join us to support the work of the school. We hope to see you at our next meeting.

5 October 2026
2 November 2026
1 February 2027

1 March 2027
4 May 2027 (Tuesday)



Renfrewshire Foodbank

We are having a collection for Renfrewshire Foodbank on Wednesday 30 September. One of the team members from the foodbank is going to speak to the children at our assembly that day to explain the work that they do and how essential their service is to families who need this support. A letter about this has already been sent home.

Electric Scooters

A reminder that electric scooters are not allowed to be brought to school.

Halloween costumes and accessories

If you have any Halloween costumes that your child has grown out of, and are in good condition, we would ask that you donate them in to school. We are also looking for donations of any Halloween accessories. My thanks to Mrs Steven for organising this.



Health

I would like to remind you of the NHS' guidance that children should not return to school or nursery until 48 hours after a bout of sickness or diarrhoea

(<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/diarrhoea-and-vomiting/>).

I would also like to draw your attention to the following advice from the NHS about checking your child's hair regularly for Head Lice. <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

And also information about threadworms <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/threadworms/>

Celebrating Success

Don't forget to remind your child to share any successes outside of school with us. We like to take their photo and then share their happy news with the rest of the school by showing their photo on the TV in the main foyer area. If children have a medal, trophy and/or certificate they may want to bring this in for their photo.

Lost and Found

Our Lost and Found Box is already starting to fill up with items, including jackets, which have no names on them. We always return back to the children items that are named. Unfortunately we cannot store unclaimed items indefinitely so please ask your child to check this box for missing items before we have to dispose of them. If your child needs any help with this, office staff are happy to help.

Free Money & Debt Advice - Advice Works

If you have benefits issues, are struggling with debt or are having difficulty managing your budget, Advice Works can provide advice. They offer free, confidential and independent advice on money and debt issues including budgeting, negotiating with creditors, and mortgage and rent

arrears - as well as checking you are getting all the benefits you are entitled to. They can be contacted via telephone on 0300 300 1238.

Staff Car Park

Please remember that the school car park is for staff use only. For safety reasons children should not be in the car park at any time, even with a parent. Our car park is very small for the number of staff we have therefore we cannot accommodate extra cars even just for drop offs/collections.



Bikeability - Level 2

Well done to our P.6 pupils who recently completed their Bikeability Level 2 training. This involved our children developing their knowledge and skills to safely ride their bikes on road. Thanks to Mrs Gordon (and helpers) they learned about:

- **Road awareness:** Understand road signs, signals, and markings.
- **Junctions:** Negotiate T-junctions, crossroads, and simple roundabouts.
- **Traffic skills:** Start and stop on the road, pass parked cars, and signal intentions.
- **Positioning:** Choose the correct riding position on the asphalt.

Although the weather wasn't kind to them, they did well and had a lot of fun.

ONE REN - Paisley October Camp Sessions

Join us 13th - 15th October at Gleniffer High School for multi activity sessions delivered by our qualified One Ren coaching staff. Drop off from 9.45am with sessions starting at 10am and running through to 12pm. Please use the link below to book a space!

[Paisley October Activity Camp \(5 - 11yrs\) at Gleniffer High School , Paisley | OneRen Sports Services | Powered by ClassForKids](#)

Dates

Friday 25 September - Holiday

Monday 28 September - Holiday

Thursday 8 October - Parents' Evening

Monday 12 to Friday 16 October - Holiday week

Monday 19 October - Inservice day

Tuesday 27 October - Halloween Disco