

Educational Services

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are looking forward to welcoming all of the children back to school after the summer holidays. School begins at **9.00am on Thursday 20th August**. The playground will be open from 8.45am. Breakfast Club will also resume on Thursday from 8.15am and will be staffed by Mrs Bryden and Mrs Eaglesham.

We are welcoming some new staff this year. Kourtney McKechnie (Early Years Practitioner) who is covering Kerri-ann's maternity leave, Sarah-Jane Woods (School Assistant), Shona Kirkwood and Laura Farrell (Cleaning Staff).

Entry and Exit

The playground will be open and supervised from 8.45am every morning. The children in P1, 2 and 3 should enter through the gate to the left of the EYC and come through the EYC playground. P4-7 children should enter through the gate to the right-hand side of the gym hall. In the EYC there is a one-way system in operation. Parents will enter through the cloakroom and into the main playroom and then exit through the doors which take them into the EYC playground and out the gate to the left, nearest to the EYC entrance rather than the gate which the school enter and exit through. Parents/Carers collecting children from both the EYC and P1-3 should collect their child from the EYC first and then wait in the playground for any siblings in P1,2 or 3.

We are going to continue to operate a soft entry and exit for both the EYC and the P1-3 class. Parents can drop the children off at the EYC from 8.50am and collect them between 2.50-3.00pm. P1-3 pupils can be dropped off in the playground from 8.45 and can be collected between 2.55-3.00pm. **Children in P1-3 must be dropped off and collected by an adult.** Parents/Carers dropping-off or collecting children in P1-3 should come into the school playground via the EYC outdoor area. Parents should not accompany their children into the cloakrooms. Younger children who are accompanying parents should be discouraged from *playing on the EYC equipment during this time*.

P4-7 children will be dismissed by their Class Teacher at 3.00pm from the gates near the gym hall, where they can be collected or can walk home by themselves. If a child has an appointment and needs to leave the school at any point during the school day, parents must contact the office and we will make arrangements for you to collect them from the foyer. All children must be signed out. It is important that children arrive on time as it is disruptive to the learning when children arrive persistently late. **Any children arriving after 9.00am must report to the school office as the gates will be locked.**

Food and drink

Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club runs everyday from 8.15-8.45am and children should arrive promptly to allow time for breakfast. It is open to all children from P1-7. Children who meet the criteria to receive a free school meal (This does not include the Government funded initiative for free lunches for P1-5 pupils), are able to attend the Breakfast Club Free of charge. **All other children can attend for £1 each day.**

Breakfast Choices
Toast / bread / pancakes, waffles
Rice Crispies, cornflakes, Weetabix or porridge with milk
Fruit, yoghurt, raisins
Milk, Fruit Juice, water

Water

The children are encouraged to drink water throughout the day and each child will be provided with their own water bottle. We have arrangements in place so that these can be re-filled and cleaned regularly. Children are only allowed to drink water in class but are welcome to bring juice for break and lunchtime.

Break and Lunch

Children should bring a healthy snack with them for their morning break. The school purchases a small selection of fruit and healthy snacks which is available to purchase at the tuckshop. All children within P1-5 are entitled to a free school lunch and I would encourage parents to take advantage of this (*A copy of the updated menu will be sent out early in term 1*). We have dispensers for the milk and water and these are available for all children throughout lunch time. If your child is bringing a packed lunch to school, it is important to provide them with healthy options such as a sandwich, fruit, yoghurt, cereal bar. Please avoid sugary snacks and chocolate spread. **Please do not send any items containing nuts.**

Parents/Carers can find details on eligibility and how to apply for free school meals and/or clothing grant using the link : <https://www.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/schools/grants-and-funding/>. ***We would encourage all parents/carers who think they may be eligible, to apply, even if your child is in P1-5 and receives a free school meal, as the school receives additional funding depending on the number of children registered for Free school meals.*** Please contact the school if you would like a paper copy or support to complete any forms.

Uniform

We actively encourage all pupils to wear school uniform. It is very important to our school as a community that all pupils are smartly dressed and have a shared identity. We would really appreciate your support in ensuring that this is maintained throughout the year.



In the Early Years Centre the children are encouraged to wear the blue sweatshirt and polo shirt. In school the children should wear a blue sweatshirt or cardigan, white polo shirt /shirt, grey or black skirt /trousers. Primary 7 have a school hoodie. A tie is also part of the school uniform which the children are encouraged to wear. Each year we present P1 with a school tie. Wearing school uniform helps the children to feel part of their class and it saves any worries about getting messy in their good clothes.

P.E kit

Class P.E days will be confirmed later this week. All children are expected to change into suitable clothing to participate in physical activities during P.E. The children can leave their kit in school as they all have a box and peg in the cloak room area and will be encouraged to take it home regularly to get it washed. All children are asked to bring a change of clothes and shoes for P.E : shorts or jogging trousers/ leggings and a change of t-shirt. Younger children can wear their school shirt or polo shirt to make it easier. We prefer that children bring a change of shoes for P.E but understand if this is not possible due to financial circumstances. Please ensure the footwear does not have black soles as it marks the hall floor. **Football colours are not allowed.** Jewellery should not be worn on P.E days and must be removed for P.E including earrings. If earrings cannot be removed, parents should cover them with plasters or surgical tape.

Lost Property

Each year we accumulate a great deal of lost property in school. Please ensure that your child's name is clearly written on the label or attached with clothing stickers to their clothes/shoes to ensure they do not get lost. The children can be very careless with their clothes, particularly after getting changed for P.E. or when outside on nicer days. All unclaimed items will be put in the clothes bank.

Cycling and using Scooters

We are very supportive of children being active and walking, cycling and scooting to school. We want to encourage this but the dangers of riding on a bike or scooter without a helmet are well publicised and as far as we are concerned safety comes first. All children coming to school on a bike or scooter must wear a helmet. If your child does not have a helmet then please encourage them just to walk to school.

Parents will need to come and collect their child's bike or scooter if they arrive without a helmer.

Outdoor learning

All classes will be participating in outdoor learning on a regular basis. This will be within the school grounds and around the local area. We have a supply of wellingtons in various sizes and some waterproofs which children can borrow. **Outdoor learning will take place on Fridays : EYC / P1-3 / P4-7.**

It will be scheduled for every second week. Parents will be notified of the dates prior to it commencing.

Arts and Crafts

Please send into school an old t-shirt or shirt which your child can wear to protect their clothing when participating in 'messy' arts and craft activities. This can be kept in school and we will wash them regularly.

Communication with parents/carers

All correspondence will be issued to parents /carers through a platform called EDUSPOT, which is an app available on playstore /appstore. We are continuing to use Facebook to share school highlights and reminders.

We will upload all letters and important correspondence to the Dailly Primary and Early Years Centre BLOG in addition to sending them via e-mail. This hopefully makes it easier to check on dates as all of the information is in one place. There is also a section for each class and as the term progresses, you will find current information and photographs relating to your child's class, with updates from each term. **You will find it at <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/sa/daillypsandevc/>**

Learning Journals

We use Learning Journals to upload each child's achievements. As a parent you can download the app or scan the QR code which the school will provide. Most parents/carers are connected with their child's profile. If you are not able to access your child's profile please contact your child's Class Teacher. This is one of the ways that we use to share your child's work and achievements. Parents/Carers can also share their child's personal achievements or exciting things that they have been doing at home by sending messages using Learning Journals.

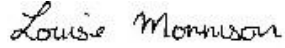


Please use the Learning Journal app only for sharing achievements and not for communicating about illness and absence. Parents/Carers must still contact the school office as staff do not check the app throughout the day or out with school hours.

Incase of absence please continue to telephone the office 01465 716807 or e-mail the school dailly.mail@south-ayrshire.gov.uk.

We are looking forward to welcoming everyone back tomorrow.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Louise Morrison". The script is cursive and fluid.

Louise Morrison

Head Teacher