



Mossbank Primary Newsletter August 2021

Covid 19

Hello everybody and welcome back to a new term at Mossbank!

As you will know from the letter sent to you by Mrs Budge, the COVID mitigations which were in place before the holidays will remain the same for the next six weeks, there will be a review at that point and we will make you aware of any changes that may occur.

Drop off and pick up arrangements are as follows

P1-7 - please all use the door between the art room and ASN room.

ELC - please use the main door, you will be met by a member of staff, if nobody is at the door please press the buzzer marked 'Cosy Room'.

All children will be asked to sanitise their hands on arrival at school. As last term, we ask that children do not bring anything unnecessary from home.

Face coverings are not mandatory for primary children, however staff will be asked to wear them in all social areas of the school and during drop off and pick up.

Thank you for your continued support in such unusual times, let's hope that this will be a more normal school year!



Staffing

We are delighted to welcome Mr Brian Spence to our staff team. Mr Spence will be teaching P1-3.

I hope you will all get the chance to meet him in the near future.

Miss Donna Tulloch will also be returning as ELC worker, we are delighted to have Donna back after having lovely baby Macy.

Mrs Perry and Mrs Duncan will be teaching p4-7 this year.

We are also delighted to be keeping Rhona our day cleaner, Rhona does an amazing job of keeping the school environment clean and safe for all the bairns and staff.

New Rooms

Before the holidays we spent a great deal of time thinking about how we use the rooms in our school. We are so fortunate to have a huge amount of space to play with, but we felt that we weren't making the most of the space we had. With a class of 25 in p1-3 another learning area for them was essential.

Together with the move towards a more active learning model for Early years, we have decided to repurpose some of the rooms in our school. Room 8, previously the Upper Primary, now looks like this!!!



It will be used by the P1-3 class as well as room 6. Children will be able to access high quality play based learning activities to compliment the more formal room 6.

We hope that the children enjoy the new space. We will provide more information on the move towards a play based approach and what that will mean for our school later in the term.

Our p4-7 class will now be located in room 10, previously the Music Room. Music has moved to room 7. The repurposed classrooms are looking great, thank you to all the staff who spent time in the holidays and in-service days making this happen.



Quick Dates for your Diary

Mondays 23th August, 6th, 20th September 4th October - Art

Friday 20th August, 3rd 17th September, 1st October - PE

Music -every Wednesday

Opening hours

Breakfast Club 8.15am - 9.00am

Day Care 8.15am - 4.15pm

Term Dates

Dates are inclusive.

Term 1. Wednesday 18 August 2021 to Friday 8 October 2021.

Term 2. Wednesday 27 October 2021 to Tuesday 21 December 2021.

Term 3. Thursday 6 January 2022 to Friday 1 April 2022.

Term 4. Tuesday 19 April 2022 to Friday 1 July 2022

Occasional Holidays

Wednesday 26 January 2022

Friday 25 February 2022

Monday 28 February 2022

Monday 18 April 2022

1 Floating Day set by individual schools within their clusters, in consultation with Parent Councils.



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