



Our Vision

Our vision at Braehead is to provide a positive and engaging learning environment which challenges and supports all children to be the best they can be.

Braehead Primary School Newsletter **Week beginning 20.1.20**

Dear Parents/Carers,

Homework Club

It was lovely to see some parents and children attend our Homework Club on Wednesday. There was really positive feedback from those in attendance and we hope this will prove useful in helping you support your child's learning at home. This is open to all pupils and parents every Wednesday from 3-4pm.

Infant Enrolment for P1 Admissions August 2020

Our infant enrolment for session 202/2021 is now complete. Going by those who have enrolled to attend Braehead Primary in August it looks like we will have three Primary 1 pupils. Due to the large number of pupils in Primary 7 this session our projected school role will drop from 43 this session to 36 pupils next session. This means that the numbers across both class will be:

P1-4 16 pupils

P5-7 20 pupils

This, of course, is subject to change between now and August should we have any placing requests from children in other catchment areas.

Scotland Showcase

We will be hosting a Scotland Showcase in the school on Friday at 2pm. This will provide an opportunity for you to see and hear from your child/children about the work they have undertaken on Famous Scots and Scottish Culture. We have decided to have this in place of a Scottish Concert this year for a change. We very much hope you will be able to join us.



Cost of the School Day/Period Poverty

As a school we continue to have a sharp focus on reducing the cost of the school day for all our families. Our updated position statement can be found on our school website at the following address: <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/sl/braeheadprimary/>

Moving forward we will be including a Hallowe'en costume swap shop, similar to our Christmas Jumper Swap and a previously loved outdoor clothing/footwear swap when we come close to our next residential outing. These items can be quite costly and unfortunately rarely last longer than one year. I plan also to include Cost of the School Day on every newsletter in the form of a footer detailing any costs likely to come up over the next couple of months. Hopefully this will provide plenty of notice for families. If at any time things are difficult please speak to me in confidence, wherever possible we will try to help.

As a local authority steps are being taken across all primary and secondary schools and public building e.g. libraries to ensure free sanitary products are made available. Statistics show that

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period poverty affects attendance across schools throughout the local authority. The introduction of free sanitary wear will hopefully combat this. I will speak to all girls in Primary 6 and Primary 7 to inform them where the products will be stored should anyone wish to access these without having to speak to any member of staff.

P7 Transition – Parent Information Session

Mrs Jack from Lanark Grammar School will be visiting Braehead Primary on Tuesday 24 March at 9:15am to speak to both parents and pupils of children who will attend Lanark Grammar in August. This is an information session and an opportunity to ask any questions you may have. There will be another P7 parent information evening at LGS later in the session. This event will take place one evening in May, details to follow once we have the date and time.

Manor Adventure

You will remember some months ago we asked for notes of interest for those children who wish to attend Lockerbie Manor from Monday 29 March to Wednesday 31 March 2021. A deposit of £50 is required for this by Friday 22 May. This should be paid to the school and not through Parentpay. A payment card will be issued on receipt of the deposit to allow you to pay contributions to the full amount whenever you wish. The total cost for the residential is £210. As we are still 14 months away we are hoping this will allow plenty of notice to spread the cost.

Should you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me.

Elizabeth Steele
Head Teacher

Dates for the Diary:

24.1.20	Scottish Showcase 2pm – All welcome
27.1.20	Parent Council Meeting 6.30pm in School – All welcome
4.2.20	Biggar Rugby Club Taster Session P5-7 (during school hours)
7.2.20	IN-SERVICE DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
10.2.20	HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
11.2.20	HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
12.2.20	IN-SERVICE DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
18.2.20	Biggar Rugby Club Taster Session P5-7 (during school hours)
24.3.20	Parents' Evening 3:30-6.30pm
3.4.20	School closes 2.30pm for Spring Break
20.4.20	School reopens 9am
7.5.20	IN-SERVICE DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
8.5.20	BANK HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
22.5.20	Lockerbie Deposit Due
22.5.20	Reports to Parents
10.6.20	Sports Afternoon 1:30pm
11.6.20	LANIMER HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
12.6.20	LANIMER HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
18.6.20	Summer Celebration – Time TBC
24.6.20	School closes 1pm for Summer Holidays

Cost of the School Day

<u>Cost</u>	<u>Total Amount</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
Dress Down Day	£1 per child	31.1.20
Manor Adventure Deposit	£50 per child	22.5.20