



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 **2 April 2020**

Dear Parents/Carers,

First and foremost I hope everyone is well and managing in these very difficult times. Never did I think that this is how our session would finish. I feel most vexed for our Primary 7 children; to Niamh, Sophie, Carmen, Nathaniel, Alexander, Taylor, Adam, Emily, David and Iona we are all so sad that your final year at Braehead has stopped so abruptly. Like previous year groups before you we wanted to be able to give you the send-off to secondary school that you deserve. We keep our fingers crossed that we will make it back before the end of June but I think it would be unrealistic to expect that to happen. I know the staff will be keen to celebrate 'you' in August on a Friday afternoon so that will be something for us all to look forward to.

I continue to post any SLC updates on our Facebook page – these can be found, first hand on Twitter by following SLC. Most recent updates include the extension of the Hub opening hours from 9-3pm to 9-5pm for those who require this. Our closest Hubs are St Mary's Primary, Lanark and Carnwath Primary, Carnwath. By now those people successful in their application for a Hub space will have been notified directly from SLC.

The grab and go packed lunches will cease as of Friday 3 April and a new system for those children who are entitled to free school meals has been set up to begin thereafter. Please note the new system in place is only for those children who are registered for free school meals, not all P1-3 pupils.

It has been lovely seeing photographs of the children at work over the last week or so and as a teacher and mum who is trying to 'home school' I sympathise with you all, it is not an easy task to keep everyone motivated when news from the outside world seems so bleak. While learning is important as is maintaining a level of normality in terms of developing our children's knowledge and skills I have no doubt that the skills being developed, while different from the curriculum as we know it, are equally valuable and will be shaping the children just the same, remember we are all doing the best we can. I did giggle when I saw one quote on Facebook saying 'My child just said "I hope I don't have the same teacher next year!"' Please continue to post pictures, videos etc. they are a great way for the children to feel connected to their friends at this time.

Thank you to the staff of Braehead who have been able to volunteer to work in the Hubs, this is much appreciated especially when the next two weeks were supposed to be holiday weeks. Thank you to all teaching staff who have worked hard to set up google classroom and continue to post challenges and activities for the children. There will be a break in google classroom activity for the spring break for everyone to enjoy some rest.

Please continue to take care of yourselves and I look forward to seeing you all again soon.

Kindest regards,

Elizabeth Steele
Head Teacher