

Our Vision

Our vision at <u>Braehead</u> 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 2.11.2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Hallowe'en

What a day the children had on Friday! They looked so happy dressed up and down and from the smiles and laughter seen and heard throughout the school it was easy to forget about the strange times they are living in. Never before has the health and wellbeing of our children been so important and it is so nice to see them happy, engaged and involved in our school community.



Google Classroom Home School Diary



Once again I wish to urge all parents to log into Google Classroom to view your child's homework and school diary. This is a weekly task. Please let a member of staff know if you are having issues viewing the dairy or need any help at all. While we are living in these strange times it is important we are all ready for online home learning should it be required at short notice. At this point in time we have around 70% of our families engaging in this, it would help the children hugely, moving forward, if we could have all parents regularly accessing

Google Classroom. Log in details have already been provided but if these have been misplaced please let me know and another copy will be sent home. Things are changing rapidly across the UK and while we hope schools will remain open throughout it is essential that we are prepared for any alternatives.



Parent Consultations

Our parent consultations begin tonight and will be ongoing for the next few days. Please try to keep to the timings allocated to allow all parents time to discuss their child's progress. Thank you in advance.

Face Coverings

Please note that it is now a requirement that parents and carers dropping off or collecting children from school should wear a face covering unless they are exempt. Adults in the school have been wearing face coverings in communal areas for a number of weeks now and will continue to do so.



PE/Heating and Ventilation

We await further guidance from SLC on indoor PE and ventilation in schools. New guidance from Scottish Government states that those local areas in tier 3 or below can deliver PE indoors which, as we approach the winter, would be welcome news for all concerned however we will continue with outdoor PE until the revised risk assessment and guidance from SLC is conveyed. This will hopefully be in the coming days.

P7 Transition Mission

At this time the usual suite of transition activities are unable to proceed as they always involved visits to Lanark Grammar School/Biggar High School. Instead, this session, Mrs Aline Wilson Depute Head Teacher, Lanark Grammar School will be visiting the school on Friday of this week to launch a virtual programme called 'P7 Transition Mission' which is themed around the P7s as Learning Detectives. Over the next few months there will be 8 virtual lessons – one from each faculty at LGS – which the pupils will watch in class. Each lesson will have little tasks and challenges that pupils can take part in and at the end of each lesson a clue will be given for the pupils to work out and keep to crack the code at the end of the 8 lessons.

On Wednesday Mrs Wilson will meet the P7 pupils in our school playground. She will be safely distanced from the children and will be wearing a face covering at all times. Mrs Wilson will talk to the children about Transition Mission and will take some photographs of the children for LGS Twitter account. Please contact the school if you do not wish your child to be photographed, otherwise we will adhere to the permissions given regarding photography in schools in August.

Change to Work Pattern

For the next 4 weeks I will be working in Braehead on a Tuesday instead of a Monday, following this period of time I will return to my usual work pattern. I can be contacted at Carmichael Primary or via email on a Monday should you wish to speak to me.

As always, should you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me.

Elizabeth Steele

Head Teacher

Dates for the Diary:

16.11.20	IN-SERVICE DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
27.11.20	Dress Down Day – No charge
22.12.20	School closes 2.30pm for Christmas Holidays
	Dress Down Day – No charge
6.1.21	School reopens 9am
8.2.21	HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
9.2.21	HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
10.2.21	IN-SERVICE DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
1.4.21	School closes 2.30pm for Spring Break
19.4.21	School reopens 9am
6.5.21	IN-SERVICE DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
3.5.21	BANK HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
21.5.21	Reports to Parents
9.6.21	Sports Afternoon 1:30pm
10.6.21	LANIMER HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
11.6.21	LANIMER HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
21.6.21	Summer Celebration – At this time we are unable to confirm if parents

	will be invited.
24.6.21	School closes 1pm for Summer Holidays