



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 4 May 2021**

Dear Parents/Carers,

Transition Visits

At this time of year we are usually preparing for our Nursery to Primary 1 Transition. We are still very keen to proceed with this really important event however we have received confirmation that these transition visits should take place outdoors this session to enable us to mitigate the risk of COVID-19. Unfortunately we are not able to have parents inside the school either as part of the transition process. Instead we aim to hold two visits for the future P1 children to participate in, both of which will take place outside with their teacher for P1. The tentative dates for these visits are Wednesday 26 May and Wednesday 2 June subject to weather conditions. Invitations will be sent out to our new Primary 1 children with definite dates and times.

I have no further information regarding P7 to S1 Transition.

End of Term Celebration

Given that parents are not allowed to enter the school for transition visits unless they are part of an enhanced transition to support additional support needs it would seem unlikely at this stage that we will be able to host an end of term celebration which parents can attend this year once again. Our school hall, when empty, can safely distance 22 adults – this number would be significantly reduced once pupils and staff occupied the space safely and therefore, while hugely disappointing, this is understandable. Rules around meeting indoors at best by the end of June are 6 adults from 3 households, again this would make any gathering impossible this year. We will work with the children to celebrate our Primary 7 pupils and indeed the school session and ensure they are given the best send-off possible. Restrictions around singing and gathering together as a school are still in place so this is likely to be a digital celebration of some sort to allow us to keep the children safe. In the meantime if anything changes surrounding this I will be sure to communicate this with you.

Sports Events at Braehead

To allow us to safely host some sports events this year we are having to alter our sports' day plans. As you are aware we usually travel to the Willie Waddell Centre in Forth and use the facilities there. This year there are too many potential risks to mitigate with regards to travel, distancing, class bubbles and sharing of equipment. Therefore this session we will, in line with the Olympics, host our own mini Olympics in our playground and, if dry, in the grass area behind the car park. We plan to participate in a number of events from Monday 7 to Wednesday 9 June so children should come to school for those three days wearing sports clothes. Unfortunately these events are not open to parents as there is simply no space to distance adults and run events in the playground. I appreciate this is disappointing but allowing the children the opportunity to participate is what is most important in this instance.

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After School Club

We have been given the green light to proceed with the Tennis After School Club advertised on Facebook last week. The club will operate on the following dates:

Day	Date	Group
Tuesday	11.5.21	P1-4 SESSION 1
Thursday	13.5.21	P5-7 SESSION 1
Tuesday	18.5.21	P1-4 SESSION 2
Thursday	20.5.21	P5-7 SESSION 2
Tuesday	25.5.21	P1-4 SESSION 3
Thursday	27.5.21	P5-7 SESSION 3
Tuesday	1.6.21	P1-4 SESSION 4
Thursday	3.6.21	P5-7 SESSION 4
Tuesday	8.6.21	P1-4 SESSION 5
Thursday	10.6.21	LANIMER HOLIDAY
Thursday	17.6.21	P5-7 SESSION 5

Please find attached the link to the risk assessment carried out in advance of this event.

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/sl/public/braeheadprimary/uploads/sites/11105/2021/05/04102814/BPS-RA-After-School-Club-April-2021.pdf>

Please note the following points:

- Children should come to school wearing clothes and footwear suitable for Tennis Club – this will be outdoors wherever possible.
- Children should remain in their classroom until all other children from the school have left the school grounds; at this point they will be escorted by their Class Teacher to the Tennis area. They should take all their belongings (bags and jackets) with them as they will no longer be able to enter the school unless they need to use the toilet.
- The Tennis Coach and supervising Parent Helper should remain 2m away from pupils wherever possible. Where this is not possible a note should be taken of those children where direct or proximity contact has occurred.
- Children should bring water bottles for this.
- Parent Helpers are responsible for ensuring pupils leave with their parents at the end of the club – they should sign out pupils on behalf of their parents to comply with COVID-19 restrictions.
- Parents should wait, 2m apart in the side section of the school – where children enter in the mornings. If there is not enough space in this area to space out as appropriate the front playground can be used. When the club is finished parents will be called to move in a continuous fashion, collecting pupils from the back playground and exiting as they normally would at 3pm down the other side.
- Face masks should be worn by all adults, unless exempt while on the school estate.

Relationships, Sexual Health and Parenting

Please find attached with this newsletter a link to further information on our Relationships, Sexual Health and Parenting Curriculum. Due to school closure this was not covered last session therefore those children in Primary 7 will be given additional sessions to ensure they have covered the content required for their age and stage. As always this content is delivered in an age appropriate way, with age appropriate content.

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/si/public/braeheadprimary/uploads/sites/11105/2021/05/04103454/RSHP-Letter-Braehead.pdf>

Participatory Budgeting

Coming home with pupils today is some information on Participatory Budgeting and an associated questionnaire which we would be really grateful if people were able to complete and return to school by 10 May. The information gathered from these questionnaires is vital to the appropriate allocation of funds and will be treated in the strictest of confidence.

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

Kind regards,



Elizabeth Steele
Head Teacher

Dates for the Diary:

5.5.21	P1-4 Outdoor Learning
6.5.21	ELECTION – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
6.5.21	IN-SERVICE DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
10.5.21	P5-7 Outdoor Learning
11.5.21	P1-4 Tennis Club 3-4pm
13.5.21	P5-7 Tennis Club 3-4pm
18.5.21	P1-4 Tennis Club 3-4pm
19.5.21	P1-4 Outdoor Learning
20.5.21	P5-7 Tennis Club 3-4pm
21.5.21	Reports to Parents
24.5.21	P5-7 Outdoor Learning
25.5.21	P1-4 Tennis Club 3-4pm
27.5.21	P5-7 Tennis Club 3-4pm
28.5.21	Dress Down Day – No charge
1.6.21	P1-4 Tennis Club 3-4pm
2.6.21	P1-4 Outdoor Learning
3.6.21	P5-7 Tennis Club 3-4pm
7.6.21	P5-7 Outdoor Learning
8.6.21	P1-4 Tennis Club 3-4pm
9.6.21	Sports Afternoon 1:30pm – Pupils only.
10.6.21	LANIMER HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
11.6.21	LANIMER HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
16.6.21	P1-4 Outdoor Learning
17.6.21	P5-7 Tennis Club 3-4pm
24.6.21	School closes 1pm for Summer Holidays Dress Down Day – No charge