



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 15.11.21**

Dear Parents/Carers,

Confirmation of a Positive Case of COVID-19

As intimated on Saturday and then again yesterday I can report we have two confirmed positive cases in pupils at Braehead. In line with the advice in the guidance from NHS Lanarkshire, the staff and other children in the school are deemed to be low risk contacts and would only be contacted by Test and Protect if they have been identified as a prolonged close contact – usually a member of the same household or having spent an overnight in the house of the positive case.

However, it is possible that any member of staff or pupil could be asymptomatic and therefore we would ask that you do the following:

- Please be vigilant for symptoms of COVID-19. If you or anyone in your household develops symptoms of COVID-19 then all household members must self-isolate. A PCR test should be booked as soon as possible for anyone who has symptoms. Your whole household should stay at home until the test result comes back.
- Wherever possible your child should take a lateral flow test before returning to school, and should continue to test regularly (twice-weekly) thereafter. Your child should not take a lateral flow test if they have tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 90 days. Testing can help to reduce the likelihood of spread in schools by catching infections early. If the test is positive your whole household should self-isolate and you should arrange a PCR test for your child. Please ensure that all lateral flow test results, whether positive, negative or void, are recorded on the online portal at: www.covidtest.scot or by phoning 119.

All staff continue to take regular LFT to ensure they are safe to come in to school. Should anyone need a LFT please contact the school office, visit the chemist or order online. We have a batch of these in school and would be able to support anyone who feels they should test as soon as possible rather than awaiting delivery.

Book Week Scotland 15-21 November 2021

This week is Book Week Scotland. To celebrate this event the pupils in Primaries 1, 2 and 3 will be presented with their book bags to bring home. This will also be a different week at school as we celebrate all things reading! The focus will be on reading and reading/text related work throughout the week. In P1-3 Mrs Wallace and the children will be working on the lovely story, Owl Babies by Martin Waddell while Mrs Straiton, Mrs Macrae and the pupils in P4-7 will be working on FArTHER by Gahame Baker. This story is particularly relevant at this time of year as we



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celebrate Remembrance Day. As always we will post photos to share some of the work going on in school – we look forward to the day we can have open door showcases with parents present once again!

Football Festival at Carmichael Primary

Just a gentle reminder that Thursday this week is the football festival at Carmichael. The activities and short games will be held on the pitch, weather permitting. Pupils should attend school in their school clothes as football kits will be provided. Appropriate footwear, a drink and a warm jacket is required for this event. Parents are able to come along to spectate but we would ask that they stand at the opposite side of the pitch from pupils and staff, thanks.

Netball Fun 5s Tournament

Pupils in P6/7 will be attending the netball tournament on Friday 19 November at Carluke Leisure Centre. As always sports kits will be provided. Children should attend school in uniform and should bring along trainers and a drink for the festival.

In-service Day at Braehead

Yesterday was a very productive day! As a staff team we looked at engagement of pupils in school and how we can work with the children to support engagement and wellbeing. There was a very fruitful discussion on homework and how we plan to involve all stakeholders in our homework review.

Plans are underway for an exciting new reading club beginning in the spring term after school for all pupils who would like to attend. We look to purchase new books to motivate and engage the children – please encourage your child, when the time comes, to come along.

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

Elizabeth Steele
Head Teacher

Dates for the Diary:

18.11.21	Football Festival at Carmichael
19.11.21	Forest Visit
19.11.21	Netball Tournament at Carluke Leisure Centre
26.11.21	Dress Down Day
3.12.21	Forest Visit
10.12.21	Panto – Britney and the Beast, Lanark Memorial Hall
16.12.21	Christmas Lunch
17.12.21	Forest Visit
22.12.21	School closes 2.30pm for Christmas Holidays Dress Down Day
5.1.22	School reopens 9am
29.1.22	Dress Down Day
14.2.22	HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
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16.2.22	IN-SERVICE DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
26.2.22	Dress Down Day
17.3.22	Cross Country at Lanark Racecourse
26.3.22	Dress Down Day

1.4.22	School closes 2.30pm for Spring Break
19.4.22	School reopens 9am
30.4.22	Dress Down Day
2.5.22	BANK HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
5.5.22	IN-SERVICE DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
11.5.21	P6/7 Got to Lockerbie Manor
13.5.21	P6/7 Home from Lockerbie Manor
28.5.22	Dress Down Day
9.6.22	LANIMER HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
10.6.22	LANIMER HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
24.6.22	School closes 1pm for Summer Holidays Dress Down Day