



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 20.12.21**

Dear Parents/Carers,

While there had been no plans to publish a newsletter today I wanted to let everyone know the latest guidance and what this means for your child/children returning to school in January. Right now feels a very long time away from January and, as always, things are subject to change. Please find below the guidance as applicable today.

COVID-19 Update

Following the update on Friday 17 December, the guidance on helping to reduce the risks from COVID in schools is to return to bubbles when indoors. This means that the children will once again return to having staggered lunches and no indoor contact with classes out with their own while they are inside the school building.

Forest visits and playgrounds are outdoors and therefore there is no requirement to implement any grouping or bubble system in these environments.

School transport does not require us to follow the same advice that we are implementing in an indoor situation and the current guidance on school transport remains the same. I am fully aware that we have children from both class bubbles on the school bus however the return of the bubbles is more about reducing contacts rather than helping identify close contacts as was the case when bubbles were first introduced. Being on the school bus for a few minutes with other children will hopefully present less of a risk as say working across both classes for an afternoon.

Other applicable guidance states that Parent Council meetings are to be online for now and visitors to school are still very much restricted. Only where it is deemed essential to pupil wellbeing or learning are parents allowed to be in school and then by appointment only following all mitigations in place in school.

Parents collecting children from the playground at 3pm should remember social distancing and the wearing of face-coverings unless exempt.

Nativity

We are delighted to share with you our nativity for this year; 'The Angel Who Nearly Missed It All.' Staff and pupils worked hard in a short space of time to put together this performance. We have tried, where possible, to keep classes apart throughout the rehearsals and during the filming unless we could appropriately distance pupils. Thanks to Mr and Mrs Macrae for editing this over the weekend so that you can view it as one performance. The acoustics in the hall make it difficult to hear the children clearly but hopefully you will enjoy seeing your child perform and the songs are just lovely. I appreciate there were some disappointed

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children who missed this due to absence; in the current climate we have children absent daily and had to proceed as planned to meet the editing deadlines. We are ever hopeful that Christmas 2022 will be more like a traditional Braehead Christmas.

Mrs Macrae will post the performance on Facebook from home this evening, please look out for it!

Early Closure

Please note schools will close on Wednesday 22 December at 2:30pm.

This is definitely the last newsletter of the year! Have a wonderful Christmas.



Elizabeth Steele
Head Teacher

Dates for the Diary:

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
15.2.22	HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
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