



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 22 August 2022**

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back!

It has been wonderful to have everyone back in school, our new primary ones have settled fantastically well over their first few days. I hope they have come home enthusiastic about school and their learning.

If you have any questions I can be contacted by phone at Braehead Primary primary 01555 811252 or by email at headteacher@braehead-pri.s-lanark.sch.uk

My work pattern for this term will be Mondays, Wednesday and alternate Fridays in Braehead, and Tuesdays, Thursdays and alternate Fridays at Carmichael. I will also be available for 'drop in' sessions on the first Monday of each month between 1.30 and 2.30 pm starting Monday 5th September.

School Improvement Plan Priorities

Our priorities for this session will be.

- Improving literacy through the Reading Schools accreditation programme, a focus on spelling, and increasing our learning through play and outdoor learning.
- Developing a whole school Learning for Sustainability policy, supporting pupils to have a voice to shape and influence actions on sustainability and climate change and apply skills in real life contexts.
- To reconnect with our community. We are keen to re-establish the important groups and activities which had to be put on hold during covid, giving our pupils opportunities and experiences within their community to extend their learning and shine as brightly as possible!

Parent & Carer Volunteers

We are very keen to use the expertise within our community and we will be looking for volunteers to support school projects over the next year. There will be more information to follow. If you or a family member would be interested in helping or has a particular skill, such

as photography, craft or cooking that you would like to share please get in touch with myself or the parent council.

Participatory Budget Group

Each school in South Lanarkshire is allocated a Pupil Equity Fund of which a minimum of 5% must be discussed and agreed by the school community. I believe last year it was used to subsidise the cost of school trips and transport. If anyone is interested in being part of Braehead Primary Participatory Budget (PB) group please let me know by Friday 2nd September.

Parent Council Meeting

Our Parent Council AGM is being rearranged, we will let you know the new date as soon as possible, all welcome – we have a busy year ahead!

School Lunches

A reminder that all P1-5s are entitled to a free school meal this session, if you receive certain benefits, you can also apply for free milk and a clothing grant. Information is available on South Lanarkshire's website <https://www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk/FreeSchoolMeals>
The new school menu will be given out this week.

P.E Days

P.E days for both classes are Monday and Tuesday, pupils should continue to come to school wearing their P.E Kit on these days, please make sure they are not wearing jewellery or items that will be unsafe during P.E.

Small Schools Football Festival

The small schools football festival has proved to be very popular and we already have two dates for this session. The first date is the afternoon of Thursday 1st September, the second is Thursday the 18th May.

Biggar Science Festival

I am sure many of you are already aware of this, but I wanted to raise awareness of the Biggar Science Festival which takes place on Saturday 10th September, more information can be found on their website. <http://www.biggarsciencefestival.co.uk>

Dress Down Day

We will continue with the last Friday of the month being a dress down day, so pupils do not need to wear uniform on Friday 26th August.

School holidays for the year are below!

Kindest regards,

Lisa Glashan
Head Teacher (Acting)

School Holidays 2022/2023



August 2022

Teachers return on Monday 15th August 2022

Pupils return on Wednesday 17th August 2022

September 2022

September weekend- Friday 23rd and Monday 26th September 2022

October 2022

October break- Monday 17th to Friday 21st October 2022

Pupils return on Monday 24th October 2022

November 2022

In-service day – all schools- Monday 14 November 2021

December 2022 and January 2023

Christmas/New Year- Schools close at 2.30pm on Wednesday 23rd December 2022

Schools re-open on Monday 9th January 2023

February 2023

February break- Monday 13th and Tuesday 14th February 2023

In-service day – all schools- Wednesday 15th February 2023

March/April 2023

Spring break/Easter- Schools close at 2.30pm on Friday 31st March 2023*

Schools re-open on Monday 17th April 2023

May 2023

May Day- Monday 1st May 2023

In-service day – all schools- Tuesday 2nd May 2023

Local holiday- Friday 26th and Monday 29th May 2023** **Braehead PS IS OPEN ON THESE DATES**

June 2023

Lanimer Holiday- Thursday 8th and Friday 9th June 2023 **Braehead PS IS CLOSED ON THESE DATES**

Summer break- Schools close at 1pm on Tuesday 27th June 2023

* Good Friday falls on Friday 7th April 2023

** Lanark schools will close on Thursday 8th and Friday 9th June 2023

Pupils attend school for 190 days and teachers attend for 195 days.