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Coalburn Primary School AND Nursery Class Newsletter **20th August 2021**

Welcome Back!

It has been wonderful to see everyone back in school and nursery this week, I can honestly say it feels like we have never been away! I put P1 photos up on Twitter at the start of the week and there are a selection of photos at the end of this short newsletter.

Annual Data Checks

All children in the school will be issued with their annual data check next week. Please return these to the school office at your earliest convenience. Thank you! ☺

PE Days

PE days are as follows:

- P1/2 – Wednesday and Friday
- P3/4 – Tuesday and Thursday
- P4/5/6 – Thursday and Wednesday
- P6/7 – Monday and Thursday (Thursday will be incorporated with outdoor education, old clothes advisable)

Children will be getting changed in the school and should therefore come to school every day in their school uniform and have PE kits in their bags. The younger children may want to leave PE kits in school for the term, this is okay. We would prefer children to have training shoes for PE days, they are safer to run around in!

Gym Shoes / Labelling Clothes

All children in the school require black gym shoes for indoors. These should be clearly named and will remain in school for the year. If they become tatty or too small, we will send them home so you know they need replaced.

Please ensure all items of clothing and property are clearly labelled with your child's name. We will try our best not to 'lose' anything but need your help with this.

P5/6/7 Bikeability

Children in P5, P6 and P7 will be starting Bikeability training very soon. Please ensure your child's bike is safe and road worthy. If your child does not have a bike, do not go out and buy one, just let Mrs Ferguson

or Mr Carlton know and they will arrange a bike for your child. Consent forms and more information will be sent out in due course.

New Menu

The new menu starts for School and Nursery on Monday. Both have been uploaded onto the School App.

Water Bottles and Snack

Children are permitted to have a water bottle in class. These should be filled with water and not juice. It saves children's work and desks getting sticky when it spills. Should your child like a drink of juice, they are allowed to bring one for snack. Please remember to provide your child with a snack for playtime, it is a long time until lunch. If a child does not have a snack we will offer them a piece of fruit.

Primary 1

Primary 1 children will start at 9am and finish at 3pm as of Monday. All children have tried really hard this week and I am sure are in desperate need of their weekend! Please come back on Monday!

School and Nursery Uniforms

There are lots of good quality second hand school and nursery uniforms and shoes at the front door. Please ring the office buzzer to get in for a look. Mrs Bernard has them displayed beautifully! Thank you to everyone for the kind donations.

Homework

Homework will begin on Monday 23rd August. All children will be issued with a homework diary, in the diary will be a note from each class teacher with their homework expectations. Children will all be assigned to a Google Classroom in due course, with homework being set digitally when the time is right for each class. If your child's Google Classroom from last session is currently on your mobile phone or device can I please ask you to remove it. We are being forced to change all passwords and it will be easier to do so if they are no longer on your device. Technology is a mind field, thank you for your help with this!

Can all P2 children please bring their common word tins back to school for Mrs Fleming to look at and sort. If you have lost the common word tin, please put a note in your child's diary and we will issue you a new one. Thank you! 😊

Please ensure that you encourage your child to use the correct pencil grip when completing homework tasks, thank you!

Parent Helpers

We hope we are allowed to invite parent helpers into the school and nursery very soon. If you are interested in being a helper, please contact the school office so we can organise a Disclosure Scotland check. Thank you! 😊

ParentPay - Milk

The issue we were having with Parent Pay has been resolved. Milk can now be ordered for school children's lunches. Thank you for your patience and understanding with this issue.

Parent Council

As always, we are looking for people to join our wonderful Parent Council. The Parent Council is open to both school and nursery parents. It would be great to get some new members on board for the exciting year ahead. If you would like further information don't hesitate to get in touch with myself and I can pass your details on to the Parent Council. Team Coalburn's Parent Council does a wonderful job of supporting our curriculum and ensuring the children are provided with special treats and experiences throughout the course of the year, the work and support of the Parent Council is greatly appreciated by everyone.

Nursery

Welcome to all of our new nursery children and their families, it has been lovely meeting you all this week. I am amazed at how well all of our young people have settled in!

Piggy Banks

We will no longer be asking families to contribute 50p each day, via ParentPay, for snack. We will however put the Piggy Banks back out for anyone willing to contribute to the nursery fund. The nursery fund is spent on materials, such as flour, salt etc, to make the little extra activities. We would also use it to enhance our outdoor area.

Packed Lunches

Packed lunches no longer require to be in a plastic disposable bag. Packed lunch boxes/bags are permitted but must have an ice pack in them.

COVID Update

South Lanarkshire Council have made it very clear that there will be no changes to protocols during the first six weeks of term. Please continue to wear face coverings and respect the 2m distancing rule when you are visiting the school grounds.

I am hoping to have after school clubs and events in the diary as soon as possible but need to wait on the green light.

Photo Update







P2 Active Literacy



P1/2 Mouse Control



Wishing Team Coalburn a well-deserved weekend and look forward to see you all on Monday morning!

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