

August 2026 Bulletin

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

It has been a whirlwind summer! I hope that you all had a chance to relax, unwind and enjoy some wonderful time as a family! We are very excited to be back and already looking forward to a busy year! The aim of this short bulletin is to provide you with some information before returning, to reassure you about our procedures and update you on some staffing changes. I hope you enjoy your final few days, even though the sun has decided to take a wee break! We will see you all very soon!

Mrs Angela Gibson, Head Teacher

Welcome to Primary 1!

We are looking forward to welcoming our new Primary 1 pupils on Thursday 13th August! Their first day is always a little different. A staggered start gives us time to settle all other pupils in, and leaves plenty of time for those important 'first day of school' photographs! Please see below a reminder of the first day arrangements for all P1 pupils in Rooms 1, 2 and 4. On Friday 14th August, they will start at 9am with everyone else!



FIRST DAY ARRANGEMENTS FOR PRIMARY 1 PUPILS

Room 1 – Miss. Brown

Please come in at 9.15am,
through the infant gate.

Room 2 – Mrs. Connelly

Please come in at 9.30am,
through the infant gate.

Room 4 – Mrs. Cullen

Please come in at 9.45am,
through the infant gate.



What then?

- Please wait in the playground with your child, take some photos and send them in once their teacher calls for them.
- We will invite parents in at the end of the day. You can see what your child has been doing during the day, then take them home.
 - Room 1 Parents – 2.00pm–2.15pm
 - Room 2 Parents – 2.15pm–2.30pm
 - Room 4 Parents – 2.30pm–2.45pm



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First Day Guidance

We know it can be a bit nerve-racking watching your child walk back into school after such a long time, especially for our P2 parents, as this will be the first time they have to leave their child at the gate!

Below you will see information about your child's teacher and where they will line up at 9am. There will be lots of staff in the playground to help, and we will make sure children know where to go if they need a little help!

P2-P7 pupils should enter their playground using the side or MUGA gates, from around 8.45am and go straight to their line. From Friday 14th August, pupils who have siblings in P1 can walk in the P1 gate with their sibling and walk directly to their line. At 3pm, they can then walk to the P1 playground to meet their parent/carer, who should wait for them to arrive.

A wee reminder that only P1 parents are permitted to enter our playground. Gates are supervised by school staff at 9am and 3pm every day, but please make sure that your child knows which gate they should use at 3pm if you are collecting them.



Stage	Room Number	Teacher	Line-Up Location
Primary 1	Room 1	Miss. Abbie Brown	Room 1/2 Cloakroom Door
Primary 1	Room 2	Mrs. Gemma Connelly	Room 1/2 Cloakroom Door
Primary 1/2	Room 4	Mrs. Lesley Cullen	Side Door next to P1 playground
Primary 2	Room 3	Mrs. Alison Kane	Room 3/4 Cloakroom Door
Primary 3	Room 5	Miss. Emily Hannah	Middle Playground Door
Primary 3	Room 6	Mrs. Agnes Ruiz	Middle Playground Door
Primary 4	Room 7	Mrs. Joanne Braid	Side gate – along Muga fence
Primary 4	Room 8	Miss. Fiona Anderson	Side gate – along wall
Primary 5	Room 9	Mrs. Emma Anderson + Mrs. Jennifer Hamilton	Top Playground Door
Primary 5	Room 10	Mrs. Sam Watson	Top Playground Door
Primary 6	Room 11	Mrs. Linzi Muir	Top Playground Door
Primary 6	Room 12	Mrs. Lee Robb + Miss. Gemma Bell	Top Playground Door
Primary 7	Room 14	Mrs. Gill Frullani	Middle Playground Door
Primary 7	Room 15	Mrs. Clare Waters	Middle Playground Door
P1-3 CCC and Additionality		Mrs. Kirsty McWhirter	
P1/2 CCC and Additionality		Ms. Fiona Dougall	
P4-7 CCC and Additionality		Mrs. Hazel Stewart	

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Communication

As intimated in our last few newsletters, we no longer have access to the School App. This means that our main form of communication with you will now be done using the resources below.

- **Parents' Portal** – This will be our most important resource, and it is therefore vital that all parents are signed up to use this. More information will follow about this in our first newsletter. The Portal is where all letters will be sent from, as well as our newsletters and announcements, end of year reports and permission forms.
- **School Website** – We launched our new school website in January 2026, and this has been updated over the holidays with key information, such as staff, school procedures and upcoming dates. Please consider saving this as a 'favourite' in your browser! The link is provided for you below.
- **Google Classroom** – Every classroom will have its own Google Classroom, though it will take us a few weeks to set these up. This is a great resource for you to see what is going on in your child's classroom, as well as allow you to share special achievements, access and upload homework and ask any questions about class activities.
- **Parent + Carer Facebook Page** – While we will not use this as an official means of communicating, we do like to share information on it (it will always be shared in our newsletters, letters or through our website first!) If you don't use Facebook, that's okay – you won't miss anything! We have updated the page to make it more secure, so you will need to ask to be a member again.



IMPORTANT DATES
CELEBRATING SUCCESS & ACHIEVEMENTS
HMIE, JANUARY 2026
PARENT COUNCIL
OUR SCHOOL HOUSE SYSTEM
STARTING PRIMARY 1

Crawforddyke Primary School

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CRAWFORDDYKE PRIMARY SCHOOL TERM PLANNER - AUGUST TO OCTOBER 2026

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
10 th August	11 th August INSET 1 Staff Only	12 th August INSET 2 Staff Only	13 th August School Opens – 9am Breakfast Club Open 8.15am-8.45am Staggered Start/Finish for Primary 1 Pupils	14 th August All pupils start at 9am Whole School Assembly 9.30am
17 th August	18 th August	19 th August	20 th August	21 st August Whole School Assembly 9.30am
24 th August Homework begins	25 th August	26 th August P2-P7 Meet the Teacher Event 3.15-4.45pm	27 th August	28 th August Whole School Assembly 9.30am
31 st August	1 st September School Photographer Individual and Family Photographs	2 nd September	3 rd September	4 th September Whole School Assembly 9.30am
7 th September	8 th September P1 Curriculum Evening (Meet the Teacher) 6-7pm Parent Council AGM 7pm	9 th September	10 th September	11 th September Whole School Assembly 9.30am
14 th September	15 th September	16 th September	17 th September	18 th September Whole School Assembly 9.30am
21 st September	22 nd September Lockerbie Manor Information Evening – P7 Parents and Pupils 6-7pm	23 rd September	24 th September	25 th September School Closed – September Weekend Holiday
28 th September School Closed – September Weekend Holiday	29 th September	30 th September	1 st October	2 nd October Thinking Circles
5 th October	6 th October	7 th October	8 th October Parents' Evening 3.30-8.30pm	9 th October Talent Show
SCHOOL CLOSED – OCTOBER HOLIDAY BREAK – MONDAY 12 TH – FRIDAY 16 TH OCTOBER 2026				