

September



Law Primary School and ELC

We are Lawesome

Welcome to our September newsletter. We hope you enjoy reading about what we have been doing so far this session as well as our exciting new developments.



Our Little Village called Law...

Law Community Trust are hosting their Tattie Bogle trail with all entries being displayed between the 3rd and 10th of October. Our school House and Vice Captains will be judging entries (not including our own) and the winners will be announced on Saturday the 10th in Law Bowling Club between 1-4pm. We can't wait to see your efforts!



The school calendar is available on ParentsPortal, the school website and printed versions are available from the school office.



UPCOMING EVENTS

1. Primary 6 and 7 Cross Country:

Date: 07/10/2026 at 11.15am

Description: Spectators welcome

2. Parents Consultations:

Date: 8/10/2026 3.30-8.30pm

Description: ELC and school parents nights

3. October Break

Date: 09/10/2026

Description: Schools close at 3pm on Friday 9th October and reopen on Monday 19th October

4. PTA Led Halloween Activities and Disco

Date: 28/10/2026 day and night

Description: Information to follow

Mark Your Calendars

October 2026

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Let us introduce you to some very important people...

Following a very tough
process of preparation,
presentations and interviews,
our new house and vice
captains have been voted in

Mauldslie

House Captain: Amy B
Vice Captains: Oliver F &
Zachary P-R

Clyde

House Captain: Lucy H
Vice Captains: Maisie B &
Ethan L

Brownlee

House Captain: Jessica F-A
Vice Captains: Deanna M &
Harris C

Milton

House Captain: Amy P
Vice Captains: Orlagh M &
Finlay J



Lawesome Leaders; Making Things Happen

Our pupils from Primary 3 upwards have opted in to their Pupil Leadership groups for this session. Our leadership groups help guide and lead the school throughout the session. This session's Pupil Leadership groups are;

Rights Respecting School

with Mrs Lisa Gibson, Miss Rachel Gardiner & Miss Lucy Paterson

Young STEM Leaders

with Miss Lynsey Vickers, Mrs Laura Thom & Mrs Stephanie Farrell

Reading School Champions

with Mrs Sarah, Miss Charlie McLaren, Mrs Sinead Lavery & Mrs Gayle Kerr

ECO Team

with Mrs Roesia Nelson & Mrs Lynn Gibson

Gardening Club

with Mrs Maureen Millar

Family Pantry

with Mrs Lianne Daly

Pupil Leadership Team

with the Senior Leadership Team

For more information on how our Leadership at Law turn ideas into action, please see our display in the infant open area during Parents Night.

Parent / Carer Consultations

We would encourage all parents and carers to book an appointment with their child's class teacher. This is a valuable opportunity to hear about how your child is progressing in their learning, celebrate their achievements and discuss their next steps.

Our ELC and school consultations will take place on the same day, making it easier for families with children across both settings to attend. ELC appointments will be arranged directly with your child's key worker.

We also look forward to welcoming you into our school! During your visit, you will have the opportunity to explore the school, enjoy the wonderful learning displays and see some of the fantastic work our children have been producing. It's a lovely opportunity to get a feel for school life and celebrate all that is happening across Law Primary School and ELC.

The Book Fair will also be in school! Families are welcome to browse the selection of books and stationery, with the opportunity to place orders if they wish.

We look forward to welcoming you and sharing your child's learning journey with you!



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As many of you will know, this session we have invested a significant proportion of our Pupil Equity Funding in our partnership with Achieve More Scotland.

We are very fortunate to have Helena and Watson with us five days a week, working alongside our staff and children across the school. You will see them supporting learning in classes, joining children in the playground, helping to build positive friendships and relationships, and supporting children with their emotions and regulation. Having Helena and Watson as part of our school community means they can really get to know our children and provide support where and when it is needed.



Exciting Plans Ahead



Is it too early to mention Christmas?

We don't think so... especially when we have some very exciting news to share!



Our Primary 1, 2 and 3 children have been nominated by Achieve More Scotland staff to receive an extra-special Christmas treat this year. Instead of their usual Christmas party in school, the children in Rooms 1, 2, 3 and 4 will be collected by coach and whisked away to the Redhurst Hotel for their Christmas celebration! Once there, the children will enjoy a fantastic programme of Christmas games, activities and entertainment, as well as their very own Christmas party lunch.

This is an absolutely wonderful opportunity for our infant children and, even better, the entire experience is being provided completely free of charge.

 The Christmas party will take place on Wednesday 2nd December, so please make a note of this new party date in your diary. We think this is going to be a very special Christmas memory for our youngest children, and we can't wait!

Following further discussions with Paul and David from Achieve More Scotland, we have a number of exciting projects in the pipeline for Law Primary School and ELC. While some of these plans are dependent on successful grant funding, we are hopeful that they will bring some fantastic improvements and opportunities for our children and families.

One of our priorities is to further develop our sensory and regulation spaces across the school. This includes enhancing **The Quiet Cove** within our Junior Open Area and our **Zen Den** at the Main Entrance, creating welcoming, calming spaces that children can access when they need them.

We are also hopeful that we can secure funding to develop our school **MUGA pitch**, making the space more accessible, inviting and user-friendly for our children.

Alongside these developments, we are planning a variety of **clubs** and **activities** for children and families, including family cooking sessions and specialist tennis opportunities.

We have lots to look forward to, and we will keep you updated as these plans develop and, hopefully, our funding applications are successful!



Parent Helpers – We'd Love Your Support! ♥

Following the October break, we would love to welcome more parent and family helpers into our school community. There are lots of different ways you could get involved, depending on your interests, skills and the time you have available. These could include:

-  Reading with children
-  Supporting spelling and literacy activities
-  Helping with lunchtime or after-school clubs, such as music, art, drama, sport or ICT
-  Joining us on school trips and outings
-  Helping to organise and support our Family Pantry

You don't need to commit to lots of time. Even 45 minutes once a week could make a real difference to our children and our school.

If you have a little time to spare and would like to get involved, please contact the school office to let us know.

We would be incredibly grateful for your support and would love to have you as part of the team!



LAW PRIMARY SCHOOL & ELC

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PRIORITIES 2026-2027



1 PRIORITY 1– Improving Our Literacy

QI 1.3 Leadership of Change
QI 2.3 Learning, Teaching and Assessment
QI 3.2 Raising Attainment and Achievement

RATIONALE: Improve attainment levels across Literacy for learners through high-quality learning, teaching and assessment approaches developed through the professional learning materials in the Improving Our Literacy programme.

WHAT WE NEED TO DO:

- Encourage Leadership at all levels across ELC-Primary 7.
- Complete pre and post assessments with staff and learners.
- Complete professional learning session on Building the Biology of Listening & Talking, Comprehending the Chemistry of reading, The Philosophy and Physics of Writing and planning holistic literacy lessons.
- Applying professional learning collaboratively across whole school.
- Improve learner outcomes in literacy.

2 PRIORITY 2 – Reading and Spelling

QI 2.2 Curriculum
QI 2.3 Learning, Teaching and Assessment
QI 3.2 Raising Attainment and Achievement

RATIONALE: to increase attainment in Reading and Spelling by strengthening the consistency and quality of learning and teaching across the school. We will maximise high-quality teaching and learning time, ensuring that learners have regular, focused opportunities to develop and apply their literacy skills. Through collaborative planning, moderation and the effective use of assessment, staff will identify learners' strengths and next steps and provide appropriate pace, challenge and support.

WHAT WE NEED TO DO:

- Increase opportunities for staff collaboration, professional dialogue and shared approaches to planning, resourcing, teaching and assessing.
- Provide daily opportunities for high-quality teaching and learning in Reading and Spelling through whole-class instruction, effective differentiation and targeted small-group teaching, with immediate verbal feedback to support learners' progress and next steps.
- Ensure consistent planning resources at whole school level.
- Update resources and approaches to ensure high-quality teaching and learning.
- Work in partnership with our Peer School Review schools to track and monitor progress and provide next steps.

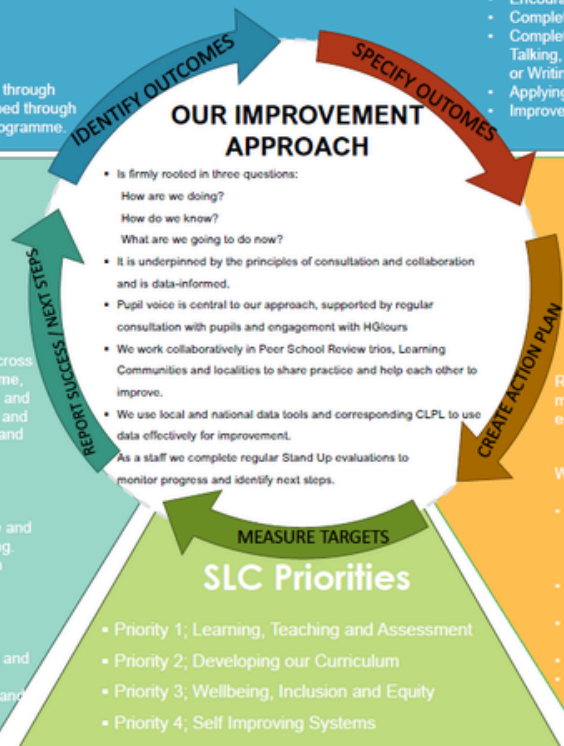
PRIORITY 3 – Communication and Engagement

QI 2.2 Curriculum
QI 2.3 Learning, Teaching and Assessment
QI 3.2 Raising attainment and achievement

RATIONALE: Strengthen Learning, Teaching and Assessment and moderation of communication and engagement across all establishments within the Carlisle Learning Community.

WHAT WE NEED TO DO:

- Work collaboratively across all establishments in the Carlisle Learning Community to ensure greater consistency in learning, teaching and assessment across settings to enhance communication and engagement.
- Through professional learning, increase practitioner knowledge of child development relating to communication and engagement.
- Create a stronger collaboration across nursery, primary and secondary.
- Create more effective transitions for children.
- Improve learner outcomes in communication and engagement.



NATIONAL PRIORITIES FROM THE NATIONAL IMPROVEMENT FRAMEWORK:

Placing the human rights and needs of every child and young person at the centre of education
Closing the attainment gap between the most and least disadvantaged children and young people
Improvement in attainment, particularly in literacy and numeracy

Improvement in children and young people's health and wellbeing
Improvement in skills and sustained, positive school-leaver destinations for all young people



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It's time to hand over to our Law Reporters, Olivia and Lucy, who have been busy gathering all the latest news from around the school.

Here they are with this month's updates from Law Primary School and ELC...

Welcome Back to...

NEWS report

by Olivia and Lucy!

READY! RESPECT! SAFE!

New Faces!

Helma and Watson and other are our helpers who take classes out to work with them or play they also take us out for activities like picnics.

We now celebrate birthdays!!! at assembly!

We also have new primary 1s And our buddies who take care of them!

Things to be more Lawsome

There is probably a lot of people that can agree that we need to work on behavior. If we want to be the best we can be, to be Lawsome we need to work on the behavior.

Pupil Suggestions

We have a pupil suggestion box where pupils say what they think needs improved on and what we want to learn on in assembly and right now we are learning British Sign Language.

This Month

On September 7th we have started the House and Vice Captain speeches that might take the whole week. Do you think you have what it takes to be a **LAWSONE** Captain? If so this is your chance.



Maths Week Scotland

We had lots of fun celebrating Maths Week Scotland across the school! Throughout the week, our children had opportunities to explore maths and numeracy in a variety of fun, engaging and meaningful ways.

From problem-solving and number challenges to applying their skills in real-life contexts, it was fantastic to see our children developing their confidence, curiosity and enjoyment of maths.

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Our school and ELC teams are working together to help our children develop important fire safety skills and awareness. Through shared learning and practical activities, we are helping children understand how to keep themselves and others safe, while building these essential life skills from an early age. 🔥 🚒



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