



School Motto: **T**ogether we **P**romote **S**uccess for all as EVERY child matters and every moment counts.

We are firmly racing towards the end of term at Townhill! It is a busy busy time with lots of events and changes afoot. Key dates are outlined further ahead in the newsletter.

Transition for our new P1 pupils is underway and we are looking forward to welcoming our new families in to school on Thursday 6th June and again on Tuesday 11th June. Our P7 pupils have now all visited their new high schools and all reports highlighted the excellent manners and super behaviour from our pupils, a credit to our school and their families! Well done P7- an exciting next step awaits!

Our configuration remains at 12 classes for next session with staff working together behind the scenes to create our new classes for next session. Please remember we work hard to create classes which will allow the children to flourish and use lots of class based evidence to help- such as assessments, observations etc. As always, we endeavour to let everyone know classes and staffing in June and have planned a 'Moving on up' visit to new classes on Thursday 20th June at 2pm. Individual pupil reports should also be available on this day on Parentsportal.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership.

Mrs Ally McGovern
Head Teacher



Our school vision:

Together at Townhill
we **n**urture, **e**ncourage
and **i**nspire the
development of **s**kills
for **l**ifelong **l**earning
and **s**uccess. We
embrace **e**quality and
diversity to promote a
happy and **h**ealthy life.

Our school blog:

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/sl/townhillps/>

Please follow us on X

(Twitter):



@townhillps

We now have 1011 followers!

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the school or by emailing one of the addresses below:

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Mrs McGovern's email

Mrs Love's email

Miss Neilly's email

Mrs Kennedy's email



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Upcoming Diary Dates

Holidays

Summer

School closes at 1pm on Weds, 26th June 2024

Diary Dates

Whole school Sports

Tuesday 4th June at 9:30am

Outdoor Learning Day

Tuesday 4th June from 11am

Room 8 Trip

Wednesday 5th June

P1 Intake visit 1

Thursday 6th June at 1:30pm

Current P1 Assembly

Tuesday 11th June at 9:30am

P1 Intake visit 2

Tuesday 11th June at 1:30pm

Room 8 Showcase

Wednesday 12th June time tbc but am

Room 6 Showcase

Wednesday 12th June at 2pm

Booknic 3

Friday 14th June at 1:30pm

New P1 assembly

Monday 17th June at 9:30am

New P1 Buddy Breakfast

Monday 17th June at 10am

P7 Leaver Celebration Assembly

Tuesday 18th June at 9:30am

Moving on up afternoon

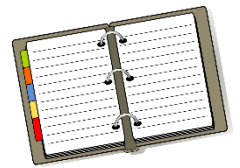
Thursday 20th June at 2pm

P7 Leaver Party

Thursday 20th June at 6:30pm



Staffing



Whilst our final staffing allocation has yet to be confirmed for next session, we are saying farewell at the end of term to both Mrs Allan and Mrs Morrison as they retire. We are so desperately sad to lose their expertise at Townhill but are so excited for them to go on and enjoy the excitement of their retirement!

Both teachers bring so much to our school that will be plenty of tears, mostly mine, I am sure! Both staff have taught and supported masses of pupils over the years and in recent years Mrs Allan has set the school alight as Professor Allan in the Science Lab whilst Mrs Morrison has continued to support and inspire with her incredible approaches to Literacy! What a pair of Townhill Stars!



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The Townhill Parent and Teacher Team- The TPT- TEAM=Together
Everyone Achieves More!

Helen Agnew, Chair of the TPT Team can be contacted on: Townhill.ptt.chair@gmail.com

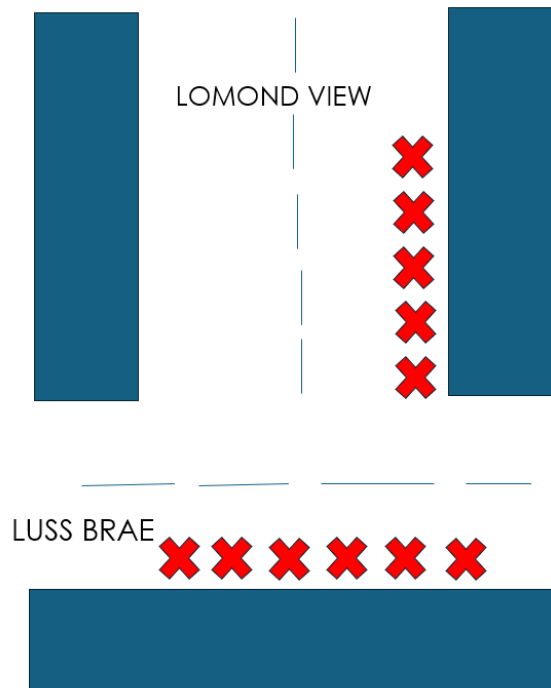


Our next meeting will be **Thursday 13th June at 7pm** in school. If you are interested in joining us then please drop Helen an email.

Thank you TPTT!

Parking

We are continually frustrated with the amount of inconsiderate parking around the Luss Brae entrance and on Lomond View. We continue to report our concerns to Police Scotland regarding these issues. **PLEASE DO NOT PARK ON THE AREA HIGHLIGHTED BELOW AS THEY CAUSE CONGESTION AND FORCE ONCOMING TRAFFIC ON TO THE WRONG SIDE OF THE ROAD.**



Please DO NOT park on the zig zag lines! This is selfish and unsafe for our pupils trying to get safely in and out of school.

A reminder that the school carpark is for staff and visiting specialists only, please make alternative arrangements when dropping off and collecting your child. We have noticed that a few cars have been parking at the end of the carpark and also in the emergency vehicle corridor- **this is not permitted.** Please park outwith the grounds and in a sensible space, then walk to collect your child/ren.

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MOBILE PHONES and Online Safety



Pupils are discouraged from bringing any mobile devices, including phones, to school however, if they require them for after school, **they must be switched off and in school bags at all times.**

Please continue to be vigilant across all apps (WhatsApp, TikTok, Snapchat, Instagram etc.) as we are aware of engagement in content that could be viewed as offensive/inappropriate online, including images, altered images and comments that could be viewed as derogatory. We continually discuss how all online activity must be morally and most importantly legally responsible, please reiterate this message at home. Recently we have been made aware of pupils being added to WhatsApp groups, possibly by older pupils, and then being subjected to a variety of inappropriate content and chat.

With an increase in smart watches being worn we also ask that these are silenced or on school mode to ensure no interruptions to the school day and learning of the pupils and staff. Please support us with this.

Equity Updates

Punctuality and Attendance

As you know at Townhill we monitor our attendance and punctuality weekly, monthly and termly. Next session we will issue termly Newsletters outlining attendance and punctuality figures across the school and share tips and hints to support families managing this. Please speak to us if there are any worries or concerns about school attendance and continue to follow NHS guidelines in terms of illness and attendance at school.

Preloved Uniforms and clothing

We have a range of preloved uniforms and casual clothes on our 'Rake and Take' rails. If you need anything, please help yourself.

As we near the end of session we would gratefully take any uniform your child has outgrown. Please ensure this is in good condition and hand in to the school office.

Money Matters

As we head into a long period without schools being open as an avenue of support a reminder that South Lanarkshire Council are keen to provide as much support as possible for all our families. Please see the information below on Money Matters should this be of support to you: "We offer free, confidential and impartial advice - we can help check your benefit entitlement, assist with the claims process, challenge decisions and represent you at Social Security appeal tribunals. For debt issues we look at your financial circumstances, contact creditors, discuss options and give budgeting advice. Contact number: 0303 123 1008. Our Telephone Advice Line offers a similar service specifically aimed at pregnant women and families with young children. Contact number: 01698 453154."

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