



Cambusbarron Communications

9th October 2024



Helpful Links

Cambusbarron Facebook Page:

Facebook @
cambusbarrons

School Website:

[https://
blogs.glowscotland.org.
uk/st/
cambusbarrons/](https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/st/cambusbarrons/)

School Email Support:

cambps@glow.sch.uk

Parent Council email:

cambusbarronparentcouncil@gmail.com

School Lunch Menu:

Lunch menu can be viewed [here](#).

Diary Dates

24-25 Family Calendar

11th Oct

P5's lead Harvest Service at 1:45 in the Church. P5 families invited to attend.

14th Oct—25th Oct

October break. Children return Mon 28th Oct

29th October

Halloween Discos
P2-P4 6pm - 7:15pm
P5-P7 7:30 - 8:45pm

6th Nov

Pupil Progress Meeting - 3:30-6pm

7th Nov

Pupil Progress Meeting - 5:00-7:30pm

8th Nov

School Fund Raiser—
Hamper Food Donation /
Dress Down Day

14th November

Anti-Bullying Week activities



Dear Families,

Well that was term 1 and it passed by in a flash!

In the staffroom we were discussing how our children (especially P1's) have, in the space of a short term, settled so well into school routines and rhythms.

I wanted to extend a big thank you to all our families and staff team for their support throughout this last term. It takes a lot of patience and nurture to help our children to settle into new classes and routines but the hard work always pays off.

I wish each and every one of you a safe and enjoyable October break (if you get one) and some quality, fun time with your families.

We will see everyone back on Monday the 28th October at 9am for term 2!

Take care.

Mr Mark Hill

Maths Week Scotland

There were lots of exciting things happening in the school during Maths Week Scotland with all classes exploring Maths and the skills we use in the classroom, and beyond! Thanks to Miss Pollock for all her organising and support.

Some younger classes were problem solvers assisted by 'Collie Dog Maths Tails Session'.



A special thank you to the P7s who read Maths tales to our P1-3 classes.



We also held a maths mystery where classes throughout the school had to use teamwork and problem solving to save our woodlands!



Dyslexia Awareness Week

This week we have been continuing to raise awareness about dyslexia during Dyslexia Awareness Week Scotland.



Some classes have been investigating famous people and identified some well known dyslexic thinkers. They have also been hearing from positive role models within our own school community.

Information for parents and carers around dyslexia can be [found here](#).

Children's Feedback



A critical part of continuing to make positive change is to listen to our pupils at school. These boys and girls have a unique perspective on what we are doing well and what we could do to be even better.

This term I have been meeting with classes to discuss **Relationships**. We asked our children about how well everyone supports each other to work, learn and achieve success in our school. We talked about the quality of relationships amongst pupils and between pupils and the adults who work with them.

We think this is so important because the relationships you have with the people around you are likely to have a big impact on how you all feel about school.

The questions I used come from the Scottish Government's Wee 'How Good is our School' self-evaluation framework (WEE HGIOS) which supports children to identify and discuss what we are doing well and where we could make positive changes.

I have attached, for your information, the feedback that we received and importantly what next steps we are taking to address any areas for development. This will be shared with our children too so that they see their voice and feedback help us to make positive changes. A summary of the feedback and next steps can be [found here](#).

In Term 2 we will continue to engage with children to gather feedback on their experience of the **Teaching and Learning** at Cambusbarron Primary school.

House Meeting - Road Safety

Well done to our P7 House Captains who led their 1st House Meetings with all children from P1-P7. Feedback from the meetings were very positive and our P7's showed excellent leadership skills.

Following feedback from some of our community concerned about how children are crossing the road or riding their bikes, the focus of these House Meetings was on road safety. Our Captains created themed goodie bags for children who worked extra hard to complete their challenge.



Head Lice

Recently, cases of head lice have been identified across the school and we wanted to make sure you were kept informed.

Whilst lice are nothing more than a nuisance, it is important that children are checked on a weekly basis so that any head lice can be dealt with quickly and before they spread.

We suggest that you check your child's head as soon as possible and regularly.

Further advice on the treatment of head lice can be found on NHS website [here](#).

Celebrating Wider Achievement



At Cambusbarron Primary School we are keen to celebrate the wider achievements of all our learners. We are aware that not all achievements are academic. Some may be related to hobbies, voluntary work, sporting activities, activities in clubs outside of school, fundraising or personal achievements that mark a milestone for a young person or positively impacts on the wider community.

If you would like to share an achievement with us then please collect a slip from Mrs Brewster and hand it to your child's Teacher or into the school office.

Alternatively, you could complete the short Google form online by [clicking this link](#).

Parent Council



On Thursday 3rd October the Parent Council met to discuss a number of matters. Part of these discussions involved reading books / homework with a focus on P2-P4.

Last October we communicated that we were trialling a new Literacy Homework approach across P1-P4. After the October break we will be assessing the impact of this approach which will include an opportunity for parents and carers to give us feedback on what is working and what could be improved. This will be part of a wider Homework Review that I will communicate more about in due course at the start of term 2.

We also agreed funding from the Parent Council for the following;

- Seesaw (supporting whole school communication)
- Emotion Works Programme - (supporting whole school Health and Wellbeing)
- Heinemann Active Maths – (supporting whole school numeracy and maths)
- Times Tables Rockstars (online maths gaming platform)

The school are incredibly grateful for the continued support from the Parent Council. These purchases are made possible by the funds raised from community events such as the Halloween Disco. We would encourage all children to attend as they build a stronger community and raise vital funds for the school.

If you are able to volunteer any time at all please let our Parent Council know as they would very much appreciate any time you can provide.



Tuesday 29th October
P2-4 disco: 6 - 7.15pm
P5-7 disco: 7.30 - 8.45pm

£3 entry fee - cash on the door, on the night.

This includes:

Music & dancing

Fun games

Spooky photo booth photo

Drink and a sweet

Lucky dip bag to take home

Children won't need to bring any cash with them on the night as everything is included in the £3 cost of the ticket. The only exception is, if they wish to have an extra printed photo, this will cost £1 per extra photo.

All children must be collected by an adult at the end of the night.

No mobile phones, no fake blood, and no scary/ full-face masks. Thank you for your support, FREG.