



East Plean Primary School and Nursery Newsletter August 2023

New beginnings

It has been a privilege to visit and meet nursery learners who are joining us for their first year in nursery. We are delighted to welcome our youngest learners to nursery and begin their learning journey in East Plean. It has been a joy, too, to welcome Primary 1 to school. They have had a busy first week, creating their class charter, learning their first sounds and getting to know the classroom and wider school community. All learners have all been busy settling into new classrooms, new routines and getting started on our focused learning in class. There is energy and excitement across the school for our Friday “Expressive Arts” afternoons. Learners across Primary 1-7 will be focusing learning around music, art, drama and dance on Friday afternoons. Some learners are participating in choir, some are embracing the Disney journey while others are taking the opportunity to work across stages, learning together. Keep an eye on Twitter to keep up to date with learning across classes this session. #powerofPlean

Mrs. R. Donnelly (Headteacher)

Staffing

We have welcomed new staff members to our East Plean team this session. Mrs Buchan, Senior Early Childhood Educator, and Mrs Kaczmarek, Early Childhood Educator join our nursery team. Miss Forsyth (P3), Miss Fraser (P5) and Miss Aitken (P7) have joined our teaching team this year.

House and Vice Captains

Well done to all our Primary 7 learners who prepared and presented their speeches in House Meetings. We are delighted to introduce House and Vice Captains for each House from August-December 2023.

House	House Captain	Vice-Captain
Iona	Cameron	Leon
Mull	Anya	Josh
Orkney	Ellie- May	Grace
Shetland	Jessica	Logan
Skye	Alba	Rowan
Tiree	Kayla	Nathan

Primary 1

Our Primary 1 learners are settling in to school very well. They have been enjoying learning activities and sharing their progress on Twitter. Primary 1 have also enjoyed their first Assembly and House Meeting of Primary 1. Primary 1 parents and carers are invited to a “Coffee and Chat” session in the Dining Hall every Wednesday morning from 9am- 9.30am this term. This is an opportunity to meet and chat with other P1 parents and to ask any questions you may have about your child’s Primary 1 learning experience.



Class Charters

Each class has discussed and agreed their Class Charter for session 2022 2023 and the charters are displayed in each classroom and in our entrance hall. Parents/ carers should have received a copy of their child's Class Charter by email.

Parent Council

Our Parent Council AGM will be held in the school hall on Monday 28th August at 7pm. All parents/ carers of nursery and primary learners are invited to attend and hear about the school's progress last session, the work of the Parent Council and to meet other parents/ carers. A warm welcome awaits, please come along and enjoy meeting the "East Plean team!"

Parent Council Meetings 2023 2024:

Monday 11th September 7pm
Monday 2nd October 7pm
Monday 6th November 7pm
Monday 4th December 7pm
Monday 8th January 7pm
Monday 5th February 7pm
Monday 4th March 7pm
Monday 13th May 7pm
Monday 3rd June 7pm

Our Learning Contexts this term are:

Primary 1 "Fairy tales"
Primary 2 "Travelling Ted" (Our Community)
Primary 3 "Pirates"
Primary 4 "Electricity and Forces"
Primary 5 "The Titanic"
Primary 6 "Archaeology"
Primary 7 "Habitats and Adaptations"



Dates for the Diary

Monday 28th August 7pm Parent Council AGM
Monday 11th September 7pm Parent Council Meeting
Monday 2nd October 7pm Parent Council Meeting
Thursday 5th October Harvest Service in Plean Church 2pm
Friday 6th October School closes for October holiday at 3.15pm
Monday 23rd October School reopens for pupils
Thursday 26th October Parent Council Halloween Parties
Sunday 29th October Parent Council Pumpkin Patch Event

Please note: **Nursery open during school October holiday (9th- 20th October)**

PE/ Gym Days

Primary 1 Tuesday and Wednesday
Primary 2 Tuesday and Wednesday
Primary 3 Wednesday and Friday
Primary 4 Wednesday and Thursday
Primary 5 Monday and Thursday
Primary 6 Tuesday and Thursday
Primary 7 Monday and Thursday

Learners should change into shorts, t-shirt and indoor shoes for PE. Jewellery should not be worn on gym days. Thank you.



Primary 3 "Pirates"

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