

Information for August 2021



As we develop our new school, you will be aware that some things are still to be organised in August.

I hope this help sheet gives you more information about what you need to know.

Warm regards,
MISS BURTON

Forms to be completed:

Photographic permission:

<https://forms.office.com/r/e9gaV02z1R>

Primary 1-4 Seesaw:

<https://forms.office.com/r/zZTv3yw4tj>

Primary 2-7 bus service sign up:

<https://forms.office.com/r/LN4csYaaY2>

Medical:

<https://forms.office.com/r/PCGS6ATwys>

Milk:

<https://forms.office.com/r/gLCFMHnmeQ>

Information to be issued in August

- EE2 local area forms
- iPay Impact log ins (if you don't currently have one)
- Health Care Plans
 - P.E. Days
- School Calendar

What does my child need?

- School uniform ensuring it is labelled
- They do not need a change of indoor shoes for Mid Calder & East Calder
- Warm jacket (labelled)
- Filled water bottle (labelled)
- A healthy snack for break time
- School lunch ordered on iPay (or in class) or a packed lunch from home
- School bag
- Pencil case with pencils, rubber, sharpener, small ruler, colouring pencils, glue stick, etc. (We will also provide these items)
- We recommend that in the first term younger children have a change of clothes in their bag incase they have an accident. We will also have some spare changes of clothes.

School Lunches

All children in Primary 1-3 can receive a free school lunch. The cost for a school lunch in Primary 4-7 is £2.26. Usually you will order their lunch through iPay and will also pay for it via this system. Until this system is set up children can order their lunch in class in the morning. Please place the payment in a marked envelope. [You can find the lunch menu here.](#)

Milk

[Please complete this form](#) if you would like your child to receive school milk. Payment will be organised through iPay once we have it up and running.

17/08/21 - 08/10/21 £7.40

Absences

We will update you with the phone numbers for absences and the school offices in August.

Calderwood Couture

You will find the link to our Sway all about our uniform here:
<https://sway.office.com/eBiBcy6OrweTDSdO>

Term Dates

<https://www.westlothian.gov.uk/schoolholidays-2021-2022>

Communication

- Blog: <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/wl/calderwood>
- Twitter: <https://twitter.com/Calderwood Pri>
- General enquires:
NewCalderwoodPrimarySchool@westlothian.org.uk (monitored over the summer holidays)
- School office: wcalderwood-ps@westlothian.org.uk (monitored at times over the summer holidays)
- School phone numbers: TBC before the start of term

Structure of the School Day August – October 2021



	East Calder	Mid Calder
	Calderwood	Calderwood
Classes	Library – Orkney & Shetland P5 Classroom – Mull	Infant area
Gate	Main Street Entrance	Front Infant Gate
Breakfast Club	8:10am	8:10-8:30 Parent/carer drop off to access Breakfast Club 8:30 – 9:04 – Playground/ classes
Safe Arrivals	8:30am	Or
Bus		8:36 AM Nethershiel Road, Northbound 6290CW01 8:38 AM Calderwood Road, Westbound 6290 CW04 8:40 AM Little Shiel Road, Southbound 6290 CW06 9:00 AM Arrive at Mid Calder Parking Bay Breakfast snack offered on arrival
Start Time	8:50am	9:04am
Break Start	11:00am	11:00am
Break End	11:15am	11:15am
Lunch Start	1:00pm	12:50pm
Lunch End	1:45pm	1:35pm
End of day	3:15pm	3:30pm Bus – 3:35pm Tesco Express Stop, Main Street, East Calder Little Shiel Road, Southbound 6290 CW06 Calderwood Road, Westbound 6290 CW04 Nethershiel Road, Northbound 6290CW01 Arrival at last stop – 4:00pm
Friday end of day	12:25pm	12:45pm Bus – 12:50pm



PI First Day

- Please do not use Breakfast Club on the first day.
- The playground will open at 8:30am, please drop your child off in the playground between 8:30am-8:50am.
- The champions will meet their clan in the playground at 8:50am and bring them into their area.
 - Children will be registered and will order their lunch.
 - Routines of the school day will be explained to your child.
- Children will be given a tour of their part of the building, encouraged to use the toilet throughout the day, etc.
 - Please collect your child from the playground at 3:15pm.

<https://vimeo.com/561074401>

P2-7 First Day

- If you wish to use Breakfast Club at Mid Calder, please drop your child off at Mid Calder PS 8:10-8:30am.
 - Otherwise, your child should get the bus to school OR be dropped off at 9:00am.
- The champions will meet their clan in the playground at 9:00am and bring them into their area.
 - Children will be registered and will order their lunch.
 - Routines of the school day will be explained to your child.
- Children will be given a tour of their part of the building, encouraged to use the toilet throughout the day, etc.
- If you are collecting your child, you should wait outside the fence of the front playground at 3:30pm OR your child will be escorted to the bus. If your child will usually get the bus and is not getting it on the first day please email the school office to notify them.

<https://vimeo.com/563444916>

Transport

You will find information about the bus service for P2-7 [here](#).

Home Learning tasks

These will begin following the September Break.

How can I prepare my child for this transition?

- Complete some of the transition tasks on Seesaw/ Teams.
- Listen to their concerns/ questions and reassure them. They can also ask their clan champion any questions they may have on Seesaw/ Teams.
- Talk in a positive way about this transition; explain that all the champions in the school will be there to reassure them.
- Take a walk or drive by Mid Calder or East Calder schools so they can see their school.
- Talk through the videos and social stories with them of what their new school will be like.

- [P1 Social Stories](#)

- [P2-7 Social Stories](#)



What will my child be learning in August?

- We will have a whole school focus on health and wellbeing - building relationships and getting to know each other. It is important for us that you child feels happy and safe coming to school, and relationships are the foundation of this.
- We will be setting the children learning tasks in order to assess their prior knowledge and skills. It will not feel like an assessment to your child – just part of their learning. We will also use transition information from their previous school.
- West Lothian Council have developed curriculum pathways and we will use these to plan for your child.
- We will share learning via our blog and through Seesaw/ Teams (once we are up and running with devices).