



Last week we celebrated our first ever Book Week Scotland, it was fantastic to see our children so engaged in creative literacy activities. Thank you for your donations of books for our clan libraries, they have been gratefully received.

We had a visit from I Bike where the children had the opportunity to take part in a cycle cinema.

Ashlea have been at the school planting trees, it was fantastic that our children could be involved in the process.

It is hard to believe we are now getting ready to celebrate our first Calderwood Christmas together.

Kind regards,
Miss Burton

Routines

A gentle reminder that there may be children crossing the entrance of the carpark to access the school, and drivers should take this in into account when choosing to use the carpark. We are working with West Lothian Council to add signage, etc. to the car park.

Thank you for the response to our email for P1-3 pick up this week, the process has been much easier as the week has progressed.

In this Sway, you will find information about the school day, drop off and pick up.

<https://sway.office.com/6GXWmBwK3IS7i7Gh>

Book Week Scotland Sway

<https://sway.office.com/a3CCopJvYfUSuF1c?ref=Link>

Congratulations!

It was a very exciting weekend for Miss Watt as she became Mrs McGarvey! Our first Calderwood Wedding! We wish Mr & Mrs McGarvey a huge congratulations and many happy memories together!

Interdisciplinary Learning

Our clans are finishing off their current context for learning and beginning a new context, we will share these with you when the champions have finished planning them with the children.

Home Learning Choice Boards

In regards to the home learning choice boards, the activities provided are optional for families. There is no expectation to complete all the tasks on the boards. The purpose of them is to extend learning that is happening in their clans.

Primary 1 – 3 have been issued reading books home from our new reading scheme. As the first users of these books, we kindly ask that you teach your child how to look after them responsibly, and that they are returned on the day requested by your champion. Failure to do so, may mean other children will miss out.

Primary 4-6 will use their reading books in class and will have a personal reader for home.

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/wl/calderwood/2021/11/03/home-learning-choice-boards-term-2/>

Parent Council

We had a very productive Parent Council meeting this week, thank you to everyone who could join us.

You can find the minutes here;

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/wl/calderwood/2021/11/25/parent-council-minutes-23-11-21/>

Playground

We were delighted to share with our children today that they will be able to access the grass at break and lunch times from 6th December. We have created this Sway to explain how the different areas of our playground will look and the types of activities available.

<https://sway.office.com/By62VWHxBsVvYiE5>

P4-6 have also been offered the opportunity to take on a Calderwood Career in the playground.

https://twitter.com/Calderwood_Pri/status/1463946205663318025?s=20

Christmas at Calderwood

We shared at the Parent Council meeting this week that due to current Covid guidelines and restrictions in schools we are unable to invite parents and carers into school to watch performance over the Christmas period. I know this will come as disappointing news to you but the champions will still do everything we can to make our first Calderwood Christmas a special event and magical for all our children. We will endeavour to do everything we can to share these memories with you.

Clans	Event	Support from home
Mull, Orkney, Shetland	Tinsel Nativity	Help to learn their lines. Information has been issued to families about costumes.
Bluebell & Bramble	Calderwood has Charisma!	Practice their acts at home. Any props they need for their act and something to wear on the day of filming.
Ness, Rannoch & Tay	Spreading Christmas Cheer for our Community to Hear!	Children can bring in clothes that week to change into when they are filming - Christmas Jumper, Christmas props e.g. jingle bells, Santa hats, tinsel, etc.
Ben Lawers & Lomond	Christmas Around Calderwood	N/A

Tree Decoration Donations

A huge thank you to Stirling Developments for donating us a Christmas Tree. We would like to decorate our tree with navy and/ or white decorations. If you would like to donate a navy or white decoration for our tree, it would be greatly received and would become part of our Calderwood Christmas traditions. Our Parent Council fundraising will also go towards funding decorations.

Raffle

A huge thank you to our Parent Council for organising our Christmas Raffle and for everyone in our community who has donated gifts. We really appreciate your generosity!

Filming

If you know of any one who can record our P2, P3-4 and P5-6 performances, please let the school office know. We have already organised for the P1 Nativity to be filmed.

Calderwood Christmas Lights

Our choir have been invited along to the Calderwood Christmas Lights switch on, on Thursday 2nd December. This event is streamed, so you can watch them to perform on the Calderwood Residents Facebook Group. Thank you to the Calderwood Community Council for making a donation to the school.

Calderwood Christmas Countdown

We have attached a calendar of all our events, which hopefully make it easier for you to plan for the month of December.



CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

DRAW: FRI 3RD DEC
TICKETS **£1** EACH



WITH PRIZES GENEROUSLY DONATED BY
LOCAL BUSINESSES AND RESIDENTS

SKYE FOLK

CALDERWOOD
PLUMBING AND HEATING



Suzanne Greenhill
Hair Studio

The Happy Baby Expert



Kayleigh Palmer Nails

Little Learner West Lothian

Centre Focused Pilates
& Physiotherapy

Caroline Watt
Make Up & Beauty

SparklingScents

The Beauty Lodge

Coco Blooms

Glitter House Crafts

DW Creations

Calderwood
Books

MRG Painting & Decorating

Ticket order forms will be
sent home with children
from the school.
Email any queries to
cwpsxmasraffle@gmail.com



Raising funds for
Calderwood Primary School & Nursery Christmas Celebrations

Diary Dates

22/12/2021 – Last day of term for school and nursery

05/01/2022 – Nursery children

06/01/2022 – School children

Communication

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