



Happy New Year Everyone!

I hope you all had a lovely Christmas and New Year, and those who were isolating managed to celebrate at some point.

We have had fantastic start to the New Year, beginning with a visit from Santa's reindeers on their way back to the North Pole!

All our clans have started a Scottish based interdisciplinary learning project as part of our Burns focus. We look forward to sharing their learning journey with you soon.

Kind regards,  
Miss Burton

### Free Travel for Young People in Scotland

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/wl/calderwood/2022/01/07/free-bus-travel-for-young-people-in-scotland/>

### Reindeer Visit

We had very special visitors on our first day back to school for 2022! Two of Santa's reindeers came to visit. You can find out more about the event and photo of our child in this Sway:

<https://sway.office.com/9tUDoeoDzatwcMz3?ref=Link>

### Routines

A gentle reminder that there may be children crossing the entrance of the carpark to access the school, and drivers should consider this in when choosing to use the carpark. We would recommend that as we currently have space you use the carpark for drop off and collection, rather than parking at the side of the road, along the school which may block the construction traffic.

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

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

We would request that at the end of the school day, children exit the playground and not play on the equipment, to enable our champs on the gate to lock up in a timely manner. This also follows our Covid guidelines of quickly exiting the playground after pick up.

### School Lunches

Following Scottish Government guidelines, all Primary 5 children are now entitled to free school lunches. You can order their lunch on iPay.

A reminder that all school lunches should be ordered in advance through iPay. Packed lunches to take home on a Friday should be ordered by Thursday evening.

### Burns Celebration

We are very excited to have our first ever Burns Celebration at Calderwood. Clans have been notified of their poetry choices on Teams and Seesaw. They will have opportunities to practise their poem at school and you can also support with this at home. You can find a copy of the [poems here](#).

On 21<sup>st</sup> January, those children who would like to go through to the whole school competition to represent their clan will participate in a clan competition. The [success criteria is here](#) and each clan will have a secret vote to nominate one clan member to go forward.

On 28<sup>th</sup> January, we will have a whole school Burns Celebration. The children who were successful in their clan competition will perform their poem for a panel, in the hope of being the overall winner for their stage.

### Information for this Term

Our P.E days are the same as last term, you can find them [here](#).

We will share with you shortly, the learning overviews and home learning grids for this term.

### Playground

Our opportunities for different types of play in the playground have been warmly welcomed by our children. We continue to advice children that, if they wish to play on the grass, they should keep old wellies (preferred option) or old trainers and socks in school. You can find the options for the playground here:

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

P4-6 have been doing a fantastic job with their Calderwood Careers in the playground, helping to support the other children to have fun and stay safe.

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/wl/calderwood/2021/12/05/launch-of-calderwood-careers/>

Clans	Scottish Interdisciplinary Learning Theme
Mull, Orkney & Shetland	Scottish Clans Did Scotland have dinosaurs?
Bluebell & Bramble	Exploring Scotland
Ness, Rannoch & Tay	Seize Scotland: Battles and Castles
Ben Lawers & Lomond	Mary Queen of Scots

## Using Teams in P4-7

We have created some guidance on how you can support your child with the use of Teams at home:

- [How to download the Microsoft apps onto a device](#)
- [Guidance for Glow](#)

## Term 2 House Winners

Congratulations to Red Deer Community who won the house points last term. We hope to organise a celebration once covid restrictions ease and clans can safely mix.

## Profiling

### What is profiling?

- Profiling means that learners will be engaged in regular, on-going discussions with staff about their progress. This is a continuous process for all learners from 3 to 18. Profiling is integral to the production of a profile, a 'snapshot' of progress in learning and achievement, which happens at Primary 7 and S3.
- Capturing a record of the progression in learning.
- Allows the learner to contribute to the learning process.
- Children & adults identifying key achievements in learning and next steps.
- Supports a learner at different parts of transition.

### Features of profiling:

- Evidence of pupil voice.
- Evidence of dialogue between staff and learners.
- Summary of learner achievements.

### Calderwood profiling:

- We will develop these approaches as we move into Calderwood.

### Examples may include:

- Target setting
- Using Seesaw/ Teams
- Sharing the learning events
- Learning conversations



## Profiling

At our January In-service Day, our champions reviewed our different approaches to profiling, using research and Scottish Government guidance. We are now asking our children and would like to ask you, your viewpoint. Please complete the short form below. The information gathered from the champions, children and you, will enable us to ensure consistency and progression across the school for profiling.

<https://forms.office.com/r/ha2swDK9LJ>

## Communication

- Blog: <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/wl/calderwood>
- Twitter: [https://twitter.com/Calderwood\\_Pri](https://twitter.com/Calderwood_Pri)
- Website: <https://calderwoodprimary.westlothian.org.uk/>
- School office: [wcalderwood-ps@westlothian.org.uk](mailto:wcalderwood-ps@westlothian.org.uk)
- School Office Number: Monday – Thursday: 8:15am – 4:00pm and until 1pm on a Friday: 01506 280060
- Nursery Office Number: 4pm – 6:14pm and during holidays: 01506 280070

## Diary Dates

- 18/01/2022 – Parent Council Meeting (Zoom)
- 21/01/2022 – Clan Burns Poetry Recital
- 24/01/2022 – Term 2 Home Learning Grids Issued on Seesaw/ Teams, the blog and via email
- 24/01/2022 – Term 2 Learning Letters Issued on the blog and via email
- 28/01/2022 – Calderwood Connects: Burns Celebration
- 08/02/2022 – Safer Internet Day
- 11/02/2022 – Dress Down Day – School Fundraiser
- 14-15/02/2022 – School Closed (Nursery open)
- 23-24/03/2022 – Champion Conversations (online)
- 01/04/2022 – Calderwood Connects: Spring Celebration
- 01/04/2022 – Last day of term
- 19/04/2022 – Term 4 Starts – All return

\*Some dates may be subject to change & covid restrictions