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Hello everyone!

It has been a fantastic week in the sunshine for us at Calderwood Primary, we have even managed to venture into our new sports field.

It was an emotional moment as we opened our doors and welcomed our families into our Calderwood home for tours last week. We hope this is a sign of things to come!

Kind regards, Miss <u>Burton</u>

C in the Park

Anyone who can contribute to C in the Park, especially face painting or sporting activities, please complete the form below.

https://forms.office.com/r/y2x15FSiXH

Calderwood Tours

We were delighted to welcome our families into Calderwood Primary and finally share our new home with you! You can find some photos and feedback from the event here: https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/wl/calderwood/2022/05/18/calderwood-tours-3/

Relationships, Sexual Health and Parenthood Curriculum

https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/wl/calderwood/2022/05/12/parent-information-relationships-sexual-health-and-parenthood-rshp-resource/

Seesaw

A reminder that the use of Seesaw in Primary 1-3 is to share your child's learning profile. Communication about your child should go through the school office.

Jubilee School Lunch

https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/wl/calderwood/2 022/05/19/jubilee-lunch-2nd-june/

Providing Equity for All at Calderwood

The Pupil Equity Funding (PEF) is additional funding allocated directly to schools and targeted at closing the attainment related poverty gap. The Scottish Government has committed to this funding as part of the Scottish Attainment Challenge programme. Each school receives an entitlement based on the number of children in receipt of free school meals.

For the financial year 2022-23 we have been allocated £49000. This money must be used to support activities and interventions which focus on and lead to improvements in Literacy, Numeracy and Health and Wellbeing to close the poverty related attainment gap. A specific plan will be created to demonstrate how we will utilise this funding.

As part of the decision making process of how to spend the money for the financial year 2022-2023, we would like to hear from you. I would be very grateful if you could complete the form below by 3rd June 2022.

https://forms.office.com/r/gK0nr4gzPn

Parent/ Carer 2021/22 Survey

At Calderwood Primary, we continually gather the views from our parent/ carers and other partners in a range of ways. We have developed this questionnaire to enable us to seek feedback on specific areas of the life, ethos and culture of our school. We will use the feedback from this questionnaire, the West Lothian Council Ethos Survey and other feedback we have to celebrate our positives and continue on our improvement journey. Please complete by 31st May.

https://forms.office.com/r/1kjFj0K32c

Calderwood Couture

A reminder of our uniform options, including P.E uniform can be found here:

https://sway.office.com/eBiBcy6OrweTDSdO?ref=Link&loc=play

Please ensure your child has all pieces of their uniform labelled.

Next session we will continue with children wearing their P.E uniform to school on their 2 P.E days.

We would like to start a collection of nearly new uniform to recycle and sell to others for a donation. If you would like to donate any pieces of uniform that are still in good condition, please send in with your child or hand in to the office in a labelled bag.

Calderwood Communities Championships

We are excited to hold our first annual sports day on 1pm on Thursday 26th May (weather permitting). If the event needs to be cancelled, we will groupcall you on Thursday morning to inform you.

This event will have two parts:

- Highland Games Competition: In house communities
- Clan Races: There will be two races per clan, decided by the children and they will be opt in

Families are invited along to the event, we would request that we limit guests to two adults per family. As we start to move out of covid restrictions, towards whole school events, we want to support our children with this, as these events are very new experience for some of them. There will be an allocated area on the field and on the grass verge between the amphitheatre for spectators, please stay within these zones, there will be signage. Please use the Glencoe Gate to access the amphitheatre. There will be no access to the toilets for spectators. As not all our children have photographic permission, we request that parents and carers do not take photos at this event, the champions will share photos.

On this date, children should wear their usual navy joggers/shorts, trainers and on top their house community colour:

- Sika blue
 - Red red
- Fallow green
- Roe yellow

It would be fantastic if families could join in and wear their family house colour too!

Children should also remember their water bottle.

On Friday 27th we will present the race and house winners with their awards.

Fundraising from Calderwood Magical Miles have helped to buy sports equipment for Sports Day and the house shield and race medals.

Champion Update

Miss Redmond will be our Acting Principal Teacher (Creativity Champion) next session. Miss Miller will continue to be responsible for early level, Miss Redmond first level (Primary 2 – Primary 3) and I will be responsible for Primary 4-7.

Mrs Clarkson will be our Equity Champion; this will be in addition to her teaching her clan. This leadership role will support the role out of our Pupil Equity Funding. Miss Christie is our Internet of Things Development Post Holder, a cluster initiative in connection with the Scottish Government.

An exciting time at Calderwood, as our leadership team begins to grow, congratulations to all our champions.

As our school is growing we are also currently in the process of recruiting new teachers, using the West Lothian recruitment process.

Finally, this term we say goodbye to Miss Davidson our Clerical Champion, who is moving on to a post at Bankton Primary. We thank her for her support in setting up Calderwood Primary and wish her luck in her new role.

Clan Changeover

We had hoped to share our new clans at the end of May but as our numbers continue to grow, we have decided it is better to wait until June.

On this blog post you will find a link to our transition activities.

https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/wl/calderwood/2022/05/19/clan-changeover-into-primary-2-7/





East Calder Gala Week 5th – 11th June

The various Heats and Finals for the many trophies to be won will all be completed in the park in East Calder, off Main Street during the week all starting at 6.30pm

Saturday 11th June: Gala Walk: We have been invited to walk as a nursery and school. The dress theme is 'Decades', children and adults are encouraged to dress up. Children will be the responsibility of their families at this event.

We will keep you updated from the gala committee.

Communication

- Blog: https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/wl/calderwood
- Twitter: https://twitter.com/Calderwood Pri
- Website: https://calderwoodprimary.westlothian.org.uk/
- School office: wlcalderwood-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

- 23rd May School Closed (Nursery open)
- 25th May 6:30pm Arena Into Primary 7 Transition Meeting
- 25th May Judo Taster Session Primary 1 Please wear P.E uniform to school
- 26th May at 1pm Calderwood Communities Championships Sports Day (weather permitting!)
- 1st June Judo Taster Session Primary 2-6 Please wear P.E uniform to school
- 2nd June Jubilee Lunch & dress down day Party clothes (dress down donations welcome)
- 3rd June School & nursery closed
- 9th June School reports Issued
- 13th or 14th June Ben Lawers/ Lomond Lowport Excursion
- 14th June 6pm Parent Council Meeting
- 17th June C in the Park Dress Down Day Summer festival theme (no donations required)
- 17th June 1pm C in the Park
- 24th June Last day of term for school