# Calderwood Primary Chronicle: 18/08/23

## Calderwood Commitments (Actions):

- Primary 5 7: Bring Your Own Device. If you would like your child to take part <u>please</u> <u>complete the permission slip with your child</u>, this will start from 28<sup>th</sup> August. <u>You can find</u> <u>more information here</u>.
- Medical: Please ensure the office are aware of any medical needs or allergies your child may have.

#### **Calderwood Calendar:**

- Term 1 Calendar link
- 19/08/23: Milk Open to order for Term 1 closes. Unfortunately, you will not be able to order milk for Term 1 after this point.
- 23/08/23 6pm: Ben Lawers & Lomond Dalguise Information Session Virtual Drop In:
   Join on your computer, mobile app or room device: <u>Click here to join the meeting</u>. Meeting
   ID: 334 279 901 597 Passcode: H3WhdG <u>Download Teams</u> | <u>Join on the web</u>
- **25/08/23: Dress Down Day:** (For school funds) Please no football strips or crop tops. If you like to make a donation you can do this on iPay by clicking on *funds*, *Dress Down Day*.

### **Calderwood Communication:**

- Free School Meals and Clothing Grant Information: Although all children in Primary 1-5 received free
  school meals, it is important that those families who are entitled to the free school meals grant apply,
  as this allows enables your child to receive free school milk and access to other support, in and out of
  school. The clothing grant application also helps you to receive funding to purchase uniform supplies
  for your child. This link has more information and our equity champs are more than happy to support
  you with filling out the forms.
- Routines: Thank you for bearing with us as we navigated our way through new routines this week
  based on our large intake of new children and the cabins being installed. You can find a copy of these
  routines here. You can also find in this Sway the areas children should leave their bikes. Primary 7
  clans should use the bike rack next to the muga and Primary 5-6 clans should leave their bikes at the
  Great Glen Gate area. Next week, Primary 1 clans will follow the normal school routines.
- **Breakfast Club:** You can find out more about <u>Breakfast Club here</u>. If your child requires food at Breakfast Club please ensure they arrive before 8:20am.
- Communication: As you can see, the door at breakfast club and the gates in the morning are busy and at this time the champions focus is on the safety of the children. We therefore would ask that any communication that does need passed on to champions goes through the office, so the message finds its way to the correct person. When emailing the office, can you please ensure your note your child's full name and clan name so the email can be directed to the correct champions.
- Reporting Absence: Please email the school office: wlcalderwood-ps@westlothian.org.uk
  - Email title: School or Nursery Absence
  - Child's first and surname:
  - Length of absence (if known):
  - Reason for absence:
  - If you are unable to email, you are still able to phone the school office. If your child continues to be absent for longer than one day and you haven't initially reported this, please report this absence daily. If your child is going to be absent, it is your responsibility to contact the office before 9am to report the absence. Failure to report an absence will start the implementation of the West Lothian Safe Arrival policy, which may result in social work or police being contacted.
- Snack: Please ensure your child brings a snack to school for morning break. For those children who forget we do have fruit available at the office. We would discourage share bags of crisps and sweets, and any candy style sweets. Due to allergies in the school, we also try to discourage children sharing their snacks or bringing in treats for birthdays. Please avoid nut based snacks at break and lunch, due to allergies. Children should also bring a filled water bottle to school each day that they can top up if required, please let us know if you require support with purchasing a water bottle.
- iPay: The office champs are hoping that all new families will have a log in by next week. You can click here to find advice on how to use iPay. All families should use this system to order their child's lunch or note that they are bringing a pack lunch from home, to ensure this does not take away from their learning time during stag start in the morning.



#### • Leadership team clan responsibility:

- Mrs Warden: Nursery

- Miss Connor: Mull, Orkney, Shetland, Skye, Ness, Linlithgow

- Mrs Bates: Leven, Rannoch, Tay, Tummel, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Perth

- Miss Burton: Stirling, Aberdeen, Dundee

- Miss Stark: Bluebell, Bramble, Thistle, Schiehallion, Ben Lawers, Ben Lomond

### Calderwood Compliments:

- Congratulations to Mrs Christie who got married over the summer. We wish Mr and Mrs Curtin lots of love and happiness!
- Capturing Calderwood Chapter 3
- We are so proud of all our new Primary 1 children and how quickly they have settled into life at Calderwood. They have been excellent at learning all the routines of being in 'big school', making new friends and starting their learning journey. Thank you to our champions and families for supporting this transition and milestone for them.
- A big welcome to all our new children and families across P2-7 clans, we have welcomed 40 new children into our clans this week.
- A warm welcome to all our new champions this week, including our new Principal Teachers, Mrs Warden and Mrs Bates.