

Calderwood Primary Chronicle: 15/11/24

Every fortnight we will issue our chronicle to families via email and our blog. All other information about Calderwood is on our [blog](#) and on [Twitter](#) we highlight our achievements.



Calderwood Commitments:

- **Christmas Lunch:** Christmas Lunch should be pre ordered on iPay by **25th November**, unfortunately no orders can be taken by the kitchen after this date.

Calderwood Calendar:

- Updated: [2024-25 Calendar](#)
- [Christmas Countdown Calendar](#)
- 22/11/24: **Dress Down Day – Book Week Scotland Theme (No donation required) – Change to date**
- 22/11/24: **9:15-10:15am: Clan Connects: Linlithgow. Doors Open 9:05am.** An opportunity for your children to share on stage their learning in the Arena and then you can look at their jotters in the café. 2 adults per child.
- 28/11/24: 2:00pm – 3:00pm: **Sharing the Learning: Blair, Bramble, Thistle, Balmoral, Muir and Mackintosh.** A visit to the clan room to find out about their literacy context for learning and to look at your child's jotters. One adult per child please. Please meet in the playground 1:50pm-2:00pm and enter through the Glenshee Gate (Nethershiel Road gate). If you arrive after 2pm please enter through the office.

Calderwood Communication:

- [Parent Council: Christmas Fayre](#)
- [Christmas Jumper Bank](#)
- [Careers Rights Day: 21st November](#)
- [Book Week Scotland Costume Ideas](#)
- **Book Week Scotland at Calderwood:** [Click here](#) to find out more about our Book Week Scotland Activities. You can also find out more information [here](#) on how to use your P1 Book Bug Bag and P2-3 Read, Write, Count Bags.

Routines;

- Can you please remind your child that they should not have a phone or be using a smart watch in the playground in the morning or at the end of the school day. If your child is bringing a phone to school they should hand that phone to their champion in the morning to put in the device box, as they are not permitted to use it during the school day. If a child has a smart watch that is not on school mode, this should also be handed to their champion in the morning. (Children in Primary 6-7 clans who have permission to use Bring Your Own Device, also put their device in the box in the morning).

Winter Ready Messages:

- Groupcall is the way that schools will inform parents and carers about closures, any change to arrangements and information about their child's learning provision in Seesaw (ELC – P3) or Teams (P4-P7). This information will also be shared on the council's website at <https://www.westlothian.gov.uk/schoolclosures> and via social media channels. Please ensure we have up to date contact details.
- In snow or icy conditions access to the school will be through the front door, we will alert parents/ careers/ children to this. During these times there will be no supervisors in the playground. [You can find our safe route here.](#)
- In the event of school closure, pupils should continue to access learning activities through Seesaw (ELC – P3) and Teams (P4-P7) which are used regularly as part of the current learning provision in school. Please ensure you are aware of your child's log in for these platforms.
- If your child develops vomiting and/or diarrhoea symptoms, please ensure they remain off school until they have been symptom free for at least 48 hours to avoid passing the illness onto others.
- More information is available at: <https://www.westlothian.gov.uk/article/47224/Winter-Ready-for-Schools>

Calderwood Compliments:

- [Thank you to Veolia for their workshops with our Primary 6 Clans.](#)
- [Thank you to the businesses who are sponsoring our Parent Council events this year.](#)
- [Burns Clan had a fantastic connects, telling us all about the cost of the school day.](#)
- [The fire services came in to speak to our Primary 6 and 7 clans about Bonfire Safety.](#)
- Thanks to [Ray from Stirling Developments](#) who came to work with a focus group of learners about a new play park that will be built in Calderwood in the not-so-distant-future! The learners will now work on measuring and pricing up equipment.
- On Monday, our Calderwood Chiefs represented the school by going to [a ceremony in West Calder for Remembrance Day.](#)
- There was a lovely atmosphere in Tummel, Ben Lawers, Ben Lomond and Schiehallion for Sharing the Learning this afternoon! [Thank you so much to all family members who came along!](#)