

#### https://midcalderprimary.westlothian.org.uk https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/wl/midcalderps/

10th March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Next week we will be back together all again-albeit still socially distant. However, I am sure you will agree having our whole school community together will be most welcome!
Please note the latest advice from Parent Club

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=htnFSPTRkJE

#### Parent Club Campaign Key Messages

- Adults wear face coverings at drop off/pick up
- Stick to one adult at pick up/drop off
- Adults keep 2 metres apart
- Avoid car sharing
- Self-isolate if anyone in your household has symptom

#### Advice Shop

We know this can be a challenging time for some households. If you have money worries and need help, please contact the Advice Shop by phoning 01506 283000 to speak to an adviser who can offer advice and support. On the other hand, complete a referral form:

https://www.westlothian.gov.uk/advice-shop-referral If you are in urgent need of immediate financial assistance West Lothian Council's Scottish Welfare Fund may be able to help. Please refer to the guidance to apply for a crisis grant:

#### **Important Dates**

Return to School P1 to P7 children W/b 15th March

Comic Relief Friday 19<sup>th</sup> "Make Someone Smile" Children welcome to wear something to school to being a smile to everyone's faces Suggested donation £1.00. Parent Pay available

End of Term Thursday 1st April

Parents Evening Video Conferencing Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> April and Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> April Joining details to follow later in due course.

Election Day Thursday 6th May

## Parking

A polite reminder to all parents/carers not park on the double yellow lines opposite the school. Please do not block our staff car park entrance or use this car park, as it leads to additional congestion at morning drop offs and afternoon collections. Thank you in advance.

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## Comic Relief

Over the last 35 years, Comic Relief has raised more than £1.4 billion - this year; money will go towards tackling issues such as homelessness and will support people facing abuse and mental health issues. Funds will also be donated to help people struggling because of the coronavirus pandemic.

## Parents Evenings

We wished our P4 to P7 children to have a little more time in school before organising Parents evenings, hence postponing these until after Easter. We will be sending out Microsoft forms for you to share aspects you would like to be discussed in advance of these appointments in order to maximise the video call opportunity. Mrs. Kellner however will be organising IEP meetings on Monday 29th March and Tuesday 30th March through Skype for business. Joining details will be e mailed out ASAP.

Please do not hesitate if you need to contact the school beforehand. As ever, someone will return your call/e mail as soon as possible.

# <u>wlmidcalder-ps@westlothian.org.uk</u> tel 01506 882092

Due to personal circumstances, school office staff will currently only be present 8.40 am until 1.00 pm Monday to Thursday and until 12.30 pm on Fridays. Apologies for the inconvenience.

Please see the attached information with respect to the availability of some nearly new school uniform at school. If you are interested in any of the items. Please ring the school office in the morning or leave an answer phone message to arrange collection of these items.

#### Breakfast Club

Breakfast club will resume from next Monday 8.00 to 8.30 a.m. from the front office entrance. After 8.30a.m pupils are expected to enter school using their appointed entrance.

Please take care and keep safe!

We are excited to see our P4 to P7 children very soon!

Kínd regards,

Hazel Thurlow