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3<sup>rd</sup> June 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you are enjoying the brief spell of good weather at last! We encourage the children to wear sun hats and hydrate themselves throughout the day. We would appreciate you reinforcing this message at home and provide an extra water bottle especially on PE/ Outdoor learning days. Thank you so much.

### **Important Dates**

**P&A Rainbow Dress Down Day Friday 4 June. Suggested donation £1. Individual class collection boxes available in school or you may wish to use I pay. Thank you for your kind support.**

**Sports Week 7<sup>th</sup> June to the 11<sup>th</sup> June There has been a group call message this week. Activities will be held all week for our children including: hockey, fitness and football skills. Covid safety measures are still in place but nevertheless we are hoping the children will all enjoy their week. We would like to thank the staff for their time in supporting these activities and Mr. Johnstone from West Lothian Football Academy for supporting our Mid Calder Sports week.**

**School Photographer Tuesday 8th June You should have received a letter saying that all classes will have the opportunity to have a class photo. This year individual photos are limited to our N5, P1 and P7 pupils.**

**Transition P1 Pupils will be able to have an opportunity to visit class bases during the summer holidays. Swags are being circulated to share arrangements to parents.**

**Transition P7 Arrangements continue for our pupils. The various High Schools have made individual arrangements with their pupils over the forthcoming weeks. If you have any questions, either please contact the High school directly or we are happy to liaise on your behalf if required.**

Any parents/Carers of existing pupils planning to attend Calderwood Primary School may address queries to [NewCalderwoodPrimarySchool@westlothian.gov.uk](mailto:NewCalderwoodPrimarySchool@westlothian.gov.uk)

West Lothian would welcome any parental/carer feedback so please could you complete the following form which remains open until next week. Your views are very important to us. Thank you. <https://forms.office.com/r/72Mw58az0L>

### **Classes/staffing for next session**

There will be 8 classes next session at Mid Calder. There will be 3 composite classes due to the present pupil numbers in P1, P2, P3 and P4 years.

The classes will be: P1, P2/1, P3, P4/3, P4/5, P5, P6 and P7.

We are still confirming our staffing with West Lothian Council but will update you as soon as possible. The school is presently maximising Scottish Government funding to support Health and Well Being support this and next session using additional teaching staff and PSW support. We have some exciting plans to share with you soon!



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### School Uniform

Following the success of children wearing PE kit on outdoor learning days and PE days this year, the children have selected some "flexible uniform" options in school colours which will now complement our existing school uniform. Due to Calderwood School placement our changing rooms will be out of operation for the first part of the term due to storage requirements. One of the positives of the Covid measures is we have found that the children have spent less time changing in and out of clothes and more time outdoors learning!. You will be shortly receiving a letter with details on how to order uniform through purchasing items on line etc

### Instrumental Music Instruction

Your P4 to P6 child has received a presentation from our school brass instructor, Mrs Farren (please see below link)

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

If your child is interested in receiving instrumental lessons please click on the following link <https://bit.ly/32JzeDP> for information on the instrumental service and how to register.

We have additional support in the school office now. Mrs. Sandra Hale will remain with us until the end of term, which means the office will now be staffed from 8.30 am until 3.45 pm each day.

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

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Kind regards,  
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