



# Murrayfield Primary School Newsletter

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/wl/murrayfieldps/>

August '17

## Welcome back!

We hope everyone had a super summer and is ready for another exciting academic session at Murrayfield Primary. We would like to extend a warm welcome to all our new parents/carers and look forward to working with you all during your child's time at Murrayfield Primary.

## Meet the Teacher

Come along to our Meet the Teacher afternoon on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August from 3.30-5.00pm. Staff will be available for you to meet and will share with you their plans and expectations for their class. Drop by when you can and find out more. Getting involved in your child's learning has many positive benefits:

- It is easier for children to learn when they get encouragement at home
- They will do better and achieve more when their parents are involved
- There concerns can be sorted out quicker when their parents have a positive relationship with school staff
- They are happy when their parents are enjoying events in school

There are also benefits for parents too:

- Their children do better when they are involved
- They are better able to help and encourage their children
- They have more information about their child's education
- Parents can build their own confidence and skills
- Where there is a positive relationship between parents and their child's school there are benefits all round
- Parents get reassurance that their children are receiving a good education

## Dates for your Diary

As far as possible you will find a number of key dates for your diary in this newsletter. Please note that some dates may change and you will be informed of changes accordingly. We hope by having these dates in advance it will help you to organise work patterns/shifts or childcare arrangements.

## Staff News

Welcome to our new P4 teacher Miss Hanlon who will share responsibility with Mrs Stewart. Miss Bennett will join our pupil support team. Congratulations to Mrs Mackie who is expecting her second child. Mrs Mackie will go on maternity leave towards the end of the year.

Remember to visit our school blog for the most current information about our school:

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Catriona Macrae (Head Teacher)

**MEET THE TEACHER**  
**THURSDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST**  
**3.30-5.00PM**  
**Drop by and meet your**  
**child's teacher. Everyone**  
**welcome!**

**STAFF CAR PARK/TAXI DROP OFF**  
 Parents, carers, pupils are not permitted to enter or use the staff car park or taxi drop off. Please keep our children safe and ensure you adhere to West Lothian Council policy.

**PLAYGROUND SAFETY**  
 Following a recent incident with a pupil and unsupervised dog we must remind all parents/carers that under **no** circumstance are dogs/puppies allowed on school premises, including the playground or entrance to school. Please help us keep all our pupils safe!



## Dates for Diary Key Dates for 17/18

**Meet the Teacher**  
Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August

**September Holiday**  
18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> September  
Pupils resume - 20<sup>th</sup> September

**P7 Parent Consultations**  
11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> October  
21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> March

**October Holiday**  
14<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> October  
Pupils resume - 24<sup>th</sup> October

**Christmas Fair**  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December

**Christmas Concert**  
13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> December

**Christmas Parties**  
18<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> December

**Christmas Holiday**  
23<sup>rd</sup> December to 8<sup>th</sup> January  
Pupils resume - 9<sup>th</sup> January

**February Break**  
12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> February  
All resume - 14<sup>th</sup> February

**Easter Holidays**  
26<sup>th</sup> March to 8<sup>th</sup> April  
All resume - 9<sup>th</sup> April

**P7 Transition**  
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> to Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June

**P7 Leavers Assembly**  
Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June

**School Sports Afternoon**  
Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June

**Summer Fun Day**  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June

**End of Term Church Service**  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June

Please note some dates and times are subject to change. Visit our school glow blog for up to date information

Murrayfield Primary  
 Parent Council Meetings  
 6.15pm  
 Everyone is welcome to attend!

- Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September
- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October
- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November
- Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January
- Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February
- Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> April
- Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May

**MILK MONEY**  
**£7.03**  
**TO BE PAID BY**  
**MONDAY 4<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**

**Volunteers**  
 If you can spare sometime to help out in school please complete the eform which will be sent to you via groupcall text message.



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