



Friday 25 October 2019

It was lovely to welcome everyone back to school on Wednesday morning. We are anticipating a busy term ahead with lots going on across the school.

We ended last term with a fantastic Harvest Assembly. The response to the food donation for The Foodbank was overwhelming with an incredible amount of donations. Thank you all so much. You can see photos of the donations on our website. Sara Friend from the Foodbank came to the assembly to speak with the children and thanked them all for their support. We also looked at our own food growing project – from planting vegetables and herbs in May to harvesting them, preparing them and transforming them into soup and potato salad for the Lagganlia Café. Thank you again to all the parents who supported these activities. There is a display in the ground floor corridor showing this journey from planting to eating.

On Thursday evening we had an Open Evening in the Nursery. It was lovely to meet so many of our nursery families. As part of the move to 1140 hours for all nursery children, we will be increasing our full-time capacity and will have 40 nursery children in a full-time place from November. There will still be 16 children with a part-time place.

Staffing

Our P.E. Specialist, Mrs Lorna Ramm is absent from school this term so we have a temporary PE specialist Mr Jaryd Papa and a new timetable is being organised. Mr Papa will be here on Mondays and Fridays for the coming weeks. At the moment we are unable to offer any swimming however we are working with the Council to find a temporary swimming teacher. I will keep you informed on this.

We have just appointed a Breakfast Club Assistant. Ms Smith will be in the Breakfast Club daily from 8am – 9am. We are just waiting to finalise a start date.

Wednesday 30 October is the Edinburgh Primary School Open Day for prospective new P1 parents. Broughton will be open from 9.15 – 10.15 in the morning and 1.30 – 2.30 in the afternoon. We hope to meet lots of possible new primary one parents and families during these times. The session will begin with a chat from myself and Mrs Rushforth and then a tour of the school. The following week is Registration Week for all children due to start P1 in August 2020. There are times on our website when parents can come to register their child.

School Drop In Dates

Following feedback from the last school Drop In, we have changed some of the days/timings for the next three Drop Ins. These are as follows:-

Friday 8 November – 8.50 – 9.30 for P1 – P7

This will give parents an opportunity to see the first part of the morning in classes.

Thursday 30 January – 2.15 – 2.45 for P1 and P2

2.45 – 3.15 for P3 – P7

This is in response for some parents requesting a different day of the week.

Friday 6 March – 11.25 – 11.55 for P1 and P2

11.55 – 12.25 for P3-P7

The final drop in date will be confirmed following feedback from the above three sessions.

Nursery Stay and Play dates

Thursday 21 November -8.30am or 2pm

Monday 27 January – 8.30am or 2pm

Wednesday 18 March – 8.30am or 2pm

Wednesday 13 May – 8.30am or 2pm

Each 'stay and play' session is about an hour.

Upcoming events

Next week our primary six classes are heading out of school for a Harry Potter Tour as part of their learning this session.

Next Wednesday there is a new sound system being installed in the school hall. This is being paid for by FAB (Friends at Broughton). It will give us 4 wall mounted speakers and a great new sound system that can support up to eight microphones! Having this will be a huge help during weekly assemblies as well as for future events and shows.

Wed 30 October - P1 Open Day

Wed 30 October – Parent Council Meeting 6.30pm

Friday 1 November – Halloween Discos

Mon 4 – Fri 8 November – P1 registration week

Mon 12 Nov – Anti bullying week

Mon 19th Nov – Scottish Book Week and Road Safety Week

And finally!

Please can I remind you that dogs are not allowed on Council Premises and should therefore not be in the playground.

Maria Gowans, Head Teacher