

Loanhead Primary the school with the **C**are, **H**onesty, **I**nclusion, **L**earning, **D**evelopment at the centre!

## Friday 15<sup>th</sup> and Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September HOLIDAY

### Staff News

We welcome Mrs MacKenzie a Learning Assistant working with P3 on a Monday, Tuesday and Friday. We said goodbye to our janitor Eddie, last Friday, in a wonderful assembly where staff and pupils shared many happy memories. Mrs Debbie Pilling has been appointed as janitor and we wish her many happy years with us.

### Meet the Teacher

Thank you to all parents who attended this event. We hope that you found it useful!

### P1 Curriculum Evening

Thank you to the Primary 1 teachers and all who attended this event. We hope you enjoyed finding out about the Primary 1 curriculum

### PE

Please ensure that your child brings suitable footwear for PE lessons. Trainers or plimsolls are fine.

### Photographs

We have booked a new photographer this year and the date has changed. Individual photographs will be taken on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September**.

### Primary 7 House Captains

Our House Captain speeches and voting took place. Over 80% of P7 pupils took part and we are very proud of all of them. It is a scary thing to do, but an amazing life skill to speak to pupils and staff in such a large group. Well done all who took part. Voting was very tight! Our House Captains for session 2023 – 2024 are as follows:  
Dryden – Leo and Lorelei  
Edgelaw – Emily and Romy  
Gladhouse – Lily and Olivia

### Toys

Please do not send any unnecessary toys to school. This does not apply to pupils who have permission for special toys to help with transitions. This also applies to footballs as these often go over the fence and are impossible to retrieve! Thank you for your support with this.

### Parent Council Gardening

Our lovely parent council has re-started gardening, in small groups, with pupils on a Wednesday afternoon. Each child will have 2 sessions of around 20 minutes in the school grounds over 2 weeks and on week 3 the whole class will visit the community garden in Loanhead. We have started with P2 and will move on in the following order; P3, P4, P1, P5, P6 and P7. Teachers will inform pupils and parents when it is their turn.

The next meeting of the parent council will take place on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 6.30pm – 8pm in the staffroom. All welcome.

## Dates for your diary

Please note that these may be subject to change

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September – Curiosity labs

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September and Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September HOLIDAY**

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September – individual pupil photographs

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October – P7 trip to Poppy Factory

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October – P5/P6 cross country (pupils taking part will be informed by Ms Simpson)

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October – Learning Trios

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October Health week

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October – Learning Trios

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October P1 and P2 Harvest Assembly

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October HOLIDAY**

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Inservice Day staff only**

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October – pupils return

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October – P1 visit to Rosslyn Chapel

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October P5-7 Hockey Festival (pupils taking part will be informed by Ms Simpson)

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October – Halloween Disco

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November – whole school flu vaccination

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November – P7 Remembrance Assembly

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November – Book Week

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November – P7 camp Benmore

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December – Christmas Fair

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December – P1 and P2 Nativity

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December P3 - P7 Christmas Concert

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December – P1-4 Gary Copeland Christmas concert in school

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December – P5-7 Portobello Town Hall Pantomime

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December – whole school visit to church for Christmas service

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> December – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January HOLIDAY**

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January– Inservice Day staff only**

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January – pupils return

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January Mental Health week

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January – Scottish poetry recital competition

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February HOLIDAY**

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March – world book day

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March – Nursery curriculum evening

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March – sign language day

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March P5 Camp

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March – Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April HOLIDAY**

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April – all return

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April – Learning Trios

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May – Learning Trios

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May HOLIDAY**

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May Inservice Day staff only**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June Health Week

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Sports Day

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June – World Environment Day

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June P7 Transition days

Final day of term – **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June**