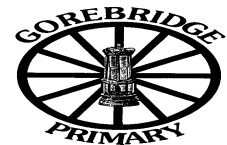




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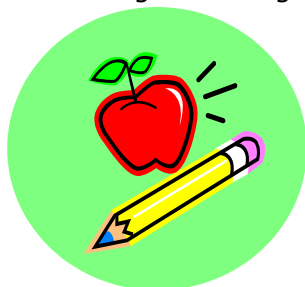
Dear Parents, Carers & Friends of Gorebridge Primary,

A very warm welcome back to you all as we begin our first term of the 2018/2019 session.

I hope that everyone had a fantastic summer break and that you were able to make the most of the good weather with your children. I must say it was lovely to see so many happy faces returning back to school after the break.

I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome all of our new pupils to the school including our new P1's. Everyone is settling well into their new classes.

This term promises to be an exciting but busy one with lots of exciting learning opportunities planned.



### Reminder for Parents/Pupils

- Please remember to pay online for school lunch daily - £2.00 if not in receipt of free school meals
- Please be aware that the 3 disabled parking bays to the front of the school are for blue badge holders ONLY!
- Please remember to supply your child with indoor shoes/P.E kit and make sure these are labelled with your child's name to prevent being lost.
- Please be aware that no dogs are permitted in the school grounds at any time.

## September 2018 Newsletter

Please remember that my door is always open so if you would like to see me for whatever reason please give the office a call to arrange this.

### Dates for your diary:



Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September – Fun Friday  
12:30pm – 02:30pm (P1-P3 and siblings)

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September – Meet my Teacher  
Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September

P5/6 & P6A Trip – Scottish Parliament

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September – P3E Assembly

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October – P6&P7 Cross Country

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October – BOATS Day

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October – P7 Visit to Risk Factory

Friday 12 October – October Break  
12:25pm finish

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – In Service Day

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – All Return 8:50am

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October – P5 Trip to Dynamic Earth

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October – PTA Halloween Disco

### **Family Breakfast**

*Back by Great Demand!*

*Our P1 children and their Buddies have been enjoying family breakfast the last two Fridays at school.*

*Our Family Breakfast for everyone will begin again on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September at 8:00am.*

*I look forward to catching up with you then!*



### **Parent Council & PTA News**

Next PTA meeting - Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018.

Minutes from previous PTA Meetings held can be found on our school website.

PTA Halloween Disco Wednesday - 24<sup>th</sup> October



### **PARENT PAY/School Meals**

**Please be aware that Midlothian Council have raised the prices of their school meals from £1.90 up to £2.00 taking effect from the start of the new term.**

*I am delighted to inform you that our school Parent Pay system is off to a flying start with 266 pupil account being activated already, with only 77 pupils still to register, which is 77% of our children!*

*If you have not already done so could you please activate your child's account to pay for school meals, trips, milk and many other items. Midlothian Council are trying to eliminate cash handling within the schools and make all schools cashless.*

*I would like to make parents who are not a fan of online payments know that your child's Parent Pay account can also be topped up at your local*



*using the code we provide, this means you do not need to supply bank details online.*

*Please remember that If you have already set your account up, please do not send your child with cash to pay for lunches etc as this can cause confusion to the system and is time consuming for the catering staff during the busy lunch service.*

*If you need help setting your account up or have lost the original letter sent home with your activation information please do not hesitate to contact a member of staff in the school office.*

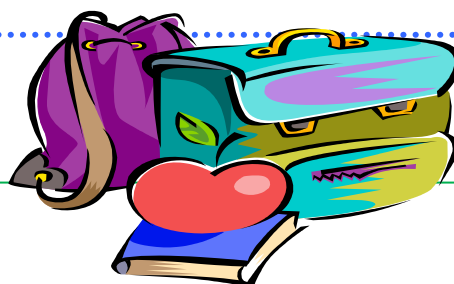
### **Staffing**

*We would like to welcome two new members of staff to our Gorebridge Family.*

*Miss Low who will be teaching our P2L class and Mrs Penman who will be teaching our P7P class.*

### **Bicycles and Scooters**

*Please note that it is the responsibility of Parents/Carers to ensure that your child is able to take their bicycle/scooter to and from school safely wearing a helmet. Children should bring their bikes into the playground through the main gate where they must dismount and walk with their bikes/scooters through the playground to the bike shelter, where they can secure them safely. We have a large number of small children and buggies/prams in the playground and wish to avoid any accidents.*



### **Meet the Teacher**

*We will have our Meet the Teacher night on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September at 5:30pm – 6:30pm.*

*This is an ideal time to visit the school, meet your child's teacher and find out about what is happening in their class this session.*