Dear Gorebridge Families,

What a fabulous buzz of excitement there was all around school this morning as pupils arrived with their "Headwear for Heroes". Thank you so much for supporting this. At today's assembly we heard from Jennifer from Love Oliver's charity and how they support families who are affected by cancer. Hollie in P5/6 chose the winning headgear from each class. All your generous donations will make a big difference to this charity which does such fantastic work for families affected by childhood cancer.

Today's parent eNews has information about:

- Meet the Teacher drop-in session Thursday 12th September 2:15 3:15
- What to wear on PE days
- Midlothian Adult Learning Programme
- Maths week Scotland
- Lost Property
- P1 photo for newspaper
- Digital Learning
- Medication
- Family Breakfast

Meet the Teacher drop-in session - Thursday 12th September 2:15 - 3:15

Just another reminder that on Thursday 12th September we will be holding our Meet the Teacher drop in sessions for all classes at the end of the school day from 2:15 - 3:15pm. Please come into school via the main office. We would like to invite parents and carers to their child's classroom to meet the teacher and share some learning around our whole school topic - MADD about Gorebridge. It will also be an opportunity to see the classroom, chat informally with the teacher and find out about practical things such as what day PE is. Powerpoints will be shared on See-saw for parents who are unable to attend. If you have a number of children in the school there will be staff on hand to show you to their classrooms. We very much look forward to seeing many of you there.

What to wear on PE days?

When it is your PE day please can you ensure that your child comes to school wearing appropriate clothing. We don't have time during the lesson for the children to go and get changed and it is much easier. This may include: shorts, tracksuit bottoms, leggings, t-shirts, jumpers *(if outside)*. They will also need appropriate footwear - ideally trainers or plimsolls/pumps *(if inside)*. Finally, *(as with every day in school)* they should bring a bottle of water to school with them as they will need it during the lesson. If you have any concerns or queries, please let the office know and Mr Stanfield will get back to you. We have lots of spare kit and some trainers we can donate to children if necessary.

Adult Learning Programme

Please click <u>here</u> if you are interested in finding out about Midlothian's adult learning programme.

Maths Week Scotland

We will be celebrating Maths Week Scotland the week commencing Monday 23rd September. Classes will be taking part in a range of fun and practical Maths activities throughout that week. We will come together as a school to share our learning at Assembly at the end of the week on Friday 27th September.

Lost Property

We have a growing pile of lost property throughout the school. Please can we ask that all clothing is labelled with your child's name and class so it can make its way back to them. We will lay out lost property in each atrium during the Meet the Teacher drop in sessions so please have a rummage to find what is yours.

P1 Photo for Newspaper

PLease be advised that the P1 photo which appears in the newspaper will be taken on Thursday 26th September which is the same day as school photographs.

Digital Learning

Children were reminded at today's assembly about the Pupil Pledge for looking after school devices. PLease can we ask that all Parental Digital consent forms are signed and returned to school as soon as possible and a reminder that we are unable to issue devices home if we do not have the consent form. We are trying to ensure that all children are responsible for looking after their devices and protecting them from damage and we are hugely grateful to you for your support with this.

Medication

A reminder to all families of children with medication requirements that this is sent into school as soon as possible.

Family Breakfast

It was lovely to see many of our children and families this morning. Just a reminder that Friday is Family Breakfast and we ask that children bring an adult with them.

Important Dates:

Thursday 12th September - Meet the teacher drop in 2:15 - 3:15pm Friday 13th September - Monday 16th September (inclusive) - Half term, school closed Thursday 26th September - School photographs and P1 photographs Tuesday 8th October - Bring Our Adult to School (BOATS) Friday 11 October 2024 - All Break for Midterm holiday

Tuesday 22 October 2024 - Pupils resume