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Dear Parents/Carers,

It was lovely to meet you all at our recent Parents' Evening. Thank you for all your lovely comments, for your feedback on our Homework Policy, and for completing our Numeracy and Maths questionnaire. You can find a short summary of your responses on the next page.

Over the past month we have had many visitors to the school who have been very complimentary about our pupils and how welcoming, polite and well behaved they are. They are an absolute credit to you all. We are now heading into a very busy term. Burns' is already underway, and staff are busy preparing for our Christmas events. I look forward to seeing you all at the upcoming events. As always, if you have any concerns or queries, please do not hesitate to contact the school office or the Senior Management Team.

*Kindest regards,  
Stephanie Scott*

## Generous Community

Thank you so much to everyone who contributed to our Harvest Collection. The Rutherglen and Cambuslang Foodbank were very impressed and grateful for all donations.

Thank you to everyone who purchased books at our Book Fayre. Due to your generosity and love of reading, the school is now able to buy £1000 worth of books for our school library.

A special mention also goes to Nathan, Ronan, Hannah F, Kiera, Hannah R, Samantha, Cameron and Lewis who have raised funds for various charities as well as our school fund.

*Thank  
you*

## Keep it Beautiful Competition

Well done to Primary 2, Room 4, who were very successful at a recent 'Keep it Beautiful Competition'. Members of the public commented on how impressed they were with our Bottle Top Design.

## Road Safety Competition

Well done to **Naomi Wylie** who came 3<sup>rd</sup> in a recent Road Safety Competition with South Lanarkshire Council. We are all very proud of you. Cheque is on its way!



## Dress Down Day

There will be a 'Dress Down Day' on **Friday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of November** and pupils are asked, if they wish, to donate an item they may have at home to the Christmas Fayre. Please look out for the flyer from our Parent Council.

## School Photographs

All pupils have now been photographed and we are hoping to have proofs out by the beginning of next week. The photographer commented on how well behaved our pupils were and how friendly our staff were. Well done to everyone!

## December Events

It is almost that time of year again. Our first Christmas Event is our Christmas Fayre on the 25<sup>th</sup> of November from 10am to 2pm. We are looking forward to seeing you all then. Please see attached our December Dates. Could you please take a note of all dates which affect you! More information will follow as required.

## Bridgeton Burns Competition

Our Burns' competition is on the evening of **Friday the 1<sup>st</sup> of December**. Staff and pupils are all working hard to ensure we continue our high standard. Further information and permission slips to follow.

### School Development

Thank you to everyone who gave their feedback on Homework and completed the Numeracy and Maths questionnaire. Below is a short summary of your responses.

**Homework** - Almost all parents liked the format of our homework as they were given extra time over the weekend to complete tasks. Homework can at times be stressful but parents like that they have a better idea of what is going on in the classroom. Suggestions:

- More of a variety of tasks
- More projects
- ICT programmes to support school work

#### Numeracy and Maths

Almost all parents were happy with our numeracy and maths programme and aware it was our main strategic priority within the school. Parents felt that they would like to know how best to support their child at home and the resources used in school. Suggestions:

- More communication out-with Parents' Evening and report cards
- Parental workshops to help parents support their child at home

A reminder that our school improvement priorities can be accessed on our website or by contacting the Head Teacher.

### Parent Council

We are extremely fortunate to have such a fantastic and proactive Parent Council. Below is a few words of the amazing work they do:

To all Parents/Carers,  
The Parent Council has been busy organising the sub groups and planning the events calendar for the coming year. we would like to thank everyone that joined in the fun of the Halloween Spookfest- the costumes were fabulous! A big thank you to all staff and parent helpers who got into the 'spirit' of things. The Christmas Fayre is fast approaching and the PC will once again need everyone's help in the run up and on the day. The PC would also ask everyone to consider signing up for easy fundraising by entering Calderwood Primary School Parent Council- Rutherglen into their search box. Joining doesn't cost anything but as you Christmas shop the pennies will add up to support Calderwood!

As always thank you for your continued support, it is very much appreciated.

**Calderwood Parent Council**

### Dates for your Diary

**3<sup>rd</sup> November** - Dress Down Day, Donations for Christmas Fayre, thank you!

**10<sup>th</sup> November** - P4-P7, Film Trip, am

Room 15, P7 - Fairtrade Group to Tesco, pm

Room 12 Assembly, 2pm (Parents welcome to attend)

**13<sup>th</sup> November** - P3 Film Trip

**17<sup>th</sup> November** - Room 3 Assembly 2pm (Parents welcome to attend)

**\*\*\*The 20<sup>th</sup> of November is an Inset day for staff. Pupils do not attend\*\*\***

**22<sup>nd</sup> November** - P1 and P2 Film Trip

**\*\*\*25<sup>th</sup> November** - Our annual Christmas Fayre from 10am to 2pm

**30<sup>th</sup> November** - Room 9 St. Andrew's Day Assembly (Parents welcome to attend)

Please note that Calderwood Primary will be open on Thursday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of November.

We will not be closed as the election does not affect us. Thank you.