

Dear P1 parents,

On behalf of the Calderwood Primary School Parent Council, I would like to extend our warmest welcome to you on joining the Calderwood community.

Under less challenging circumstances, the Parent Council would have been on hand to welcome you in person. Unfortunately, we are unable to offer our usual P1 parents coffee afternoon this year. I am writing then to tell you about the fantastic work the Parent Council does to support our school and invite you to join us, either as members of the Parent Council or simply offering to help out in the future when we are able to once more hold events such as our Christmas or Summer Fairs.

The Calderwood Parent Council acts as a conduit between the wider parent forum and the school. We discuss and provide feedback on school policies, campaign on issues such as road safety and we raise considerable funds through our events to support the purchase of resources to enhance our children's learning experience.

Last year we were able to raise £23,000 to support the school. We have used these funds to support our children's learning in a variety of ways, including paying transport costs for trips, supporting the development of a learning through play area for younger children, paying for repairs to the outdoor play equipment and purchase of IT equipment. We have also supported the school through organisation of memorable events for the children including our Summer and Christmas fairs, Halloween disco, movie nights and the P1 fun night.

If you would like to become involved in the Parent Council, or be added to our volunteer list for future activities, please provide your name and email address to <u>calderwoodpsparentcouncil@gmail.com</u>. In line with GDPR regulations we will hold only your contact details solely for communications relating to Calderwood Primary School, we will never share your information with any other party. You can also ask to be removed from our lists at any point.

Wishing you and your child all happiness and success on your Calderwood journey,

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David Bhella (Chair)