

Calderwood Primary School

Tuesday Newsday

Thursday 10th September 2020

Issued with this newsletter...

- 'Meet the Teacher'
- Lockdown Reflection Survey for Parents and Carers

Reflection Survey for Parents and Carers



We have produced a survey for parents and carers to give us an insight into pupil's experiences over lockdown and their return to school. We want to use this information to inform our planning and priorities for the session, for both class groups and individual pupils. Please be honest in the survey – we know how difficult the period of lockdown was for many families, and there is no judgement about whether pupils were engaging in school learning or not. The information will help us ensure we are getting things right for pupils, and allow us to plan and revise home learning, should it become necessary again in the future (for example, where pupils are having to self-isolate for any length of time). The form can be found here:

<https://forms.gle/p5cdxLkqtKto7s1Q7>

Please complete one form per child (if you have more than one child at Calderwood).

Please complete by **Friday 18th September 2020**.



School Milk



As of Thursday, 24th September, we will **no longer accept cash payments for school milk**. If your child wishes to purchase milk in the school canteen, this should be pre-paid through ParentPay (milk costs 20p per carton and is free to those who are in receipt of benefit-entitled free school meals). If you are having issues accessing ParentPay, please contact the school office.

School Shoes

Please only send children to school in shoes that they can put on and take off on their own. We have a large number of children – at all stages in the school – coming to school in shoes with laces which they cannot tie. Not only is it very time-consuming for staff to tie multiple laces, it also means that staff and pupils have to be in very close proximity to each other, which we have to avoid where possible. Thank you!



As most of you will know, our first parent/carer event of the session is always '**Meet the Teacher**', where we invite you into the class to meet your child's teacher and participate in some learning activities. Unfortunately, this is not possible this session, so we have issued special 'Meet the Teacher' newsletters for you to get to know your child's class teacher and also give details about how you can contact them if you have any questions. These will be sent home with your child in their schoolbag tomorrow.

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‘The Moan Zone’ 🙄

Thank you to all parents and carers for your continued support this session. We have a couple of favours we would like to ask of you to help ensure we continue to run the school day as smoothly as possible. Unfortunately, school staff are feeling as though we are doing nothing but complaining this session, which really isn't in our nature, and we thank you for bearing with us.

- Could parents and carers please ensure they are limiting the time they spend in the playground. Please 'drop-and-go' in the morning, where possible. Please do not arrive too early for pick-up. If you are in the playground waiting to pick up your child, could we please ask parents and carers not to approach windows to wave to children who are in class. This is very distracting for the whole class and can be disruptive at a particularly busy time of day.
- Please do not allow children to play on the Trim Trail at 3pm.
- Please do not park in the disabled spaces around the school unless you have a blue badge and the person named on the badge is leaving the vehicle. We have a number of pupils in school who require access to disabled spaces, and a very limited number of spaces.
- Please ensure that pupils do not wear branded sportswear to school on their PE days. Clothes worn should be in line with school uniform colours.



Parking and Driving Around the School

If you are parking your car in Beechwood Avenue, at the front of the school in front of the fence, could you please enter the school car park when you leave your parking space to 'loop' round, rather than driving against oncoming traffic on Beechwood Avenue (creating a 'one-way' system in front of the school). We hope this will relieve some traffic issues at peak times.



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Dates for Your Diary

- Friday 25th and Monday 28th September – **September Weekend**
- Tuesday 29th September - **In-Service Day (school closed to pupils)**
- 12 to 16th October – **October Break**

If you need to make contact with a member of staff from the school, please email:

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