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Thursday 1st October 2020

Harvest



As always, we will be collecting food donations to celebrate Harvest. Your donations will be given to our local food bank.

Now, even more than ever, there are families in our community making use of food banks. One of the proudest achievements of the Calderwood community during lockdown was the huge team effort that allowed us to provide regular deliveries of food, not just to Calderwood families, but to families from all across our learning community. These deliveries were only possible because of your support and kindness. Please send in your donations of dry food (cans, packets and boxes) and other hygiene items such as toothbrushes, hand-wash, etc. any day from now until Friday 9th October, when we will be celebrating with our Harvest Assembly (virtually!). Thank you for your support.

Glow Passwords



If you are prompted to change your child's password when they log into Glow from home, please change it by adding one to the last digit of the password. For example, if the password is 'p1164', change it to 'p1165'. **Please then let you child's class teacher know.** This saves any confusion when children try to access Glow in school and they can't remember their new password! Thank you!

School Milk



Please remember that school milk **must now be pre-ordered and paid for in advance on ParentPay. We are no longer able to accept cash payments for milk.**

If you are experiencing any issues setting up your ParentPay account, please contact the school office.

Homework and Home Learning Guidance for Parents and Carers

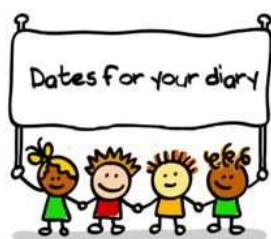
We have started issuing the first homework tasks of the session through Google Classroom. Initially, all homework will be set on Google Classroom. There are a number of reasons for this. It allows us to prepare for any potential home learning scenarios by ensuring all pupils are up-and-running with Google Classroom, (hopefully) allowing us some time to address any issues that arise. It also supports our infection control measures, as it reduces the number of items travelling between home and school. Google Classroom codes will be provided by your child's class teacher.

Full guidance for parents and carers about homework and home learning will be issued very soon.



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Dates for Your Diary



- 12 to 16th October – **October Break**

Parent Council



Our next Parent Council meeting takes place virtually tonight at 7pm. The agenda for the meeting can be found in the News section of the App.

The School Calendar

As you all know, Calderwood is usually an incredibly busy school, with lots of activities happening every day.

Due to current restrictions, many of these activities are not possible in their usual form. As part of our In-Service Day on Tuesday, we looked through the school calendar to make plans for fun activities from now until Christmas.

- Room 8 will lead our first virtual whole-school assembly next Friday.
- For Harvest, we will be collecting donations and celebrating at our Harvest Assembly.
- For Harvest, all classes will be creating a scarecrow for our whole-school competition.
- Every class will decorate their windows for Halloween – there will be prizes for the best designs!

Contacting Your Child's Teacher



We realise that the restrictions we have in place at the moment mean that there are not the same opportunities available to have an informal chat with your child's class teacher.

These informal chats can be very important. Please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher by email (email addresses were on the 'Meet the Teacher' sheets sent out) or by telephoning the school office to arrange a chat on the phone.

Flu Immunisations

The School Immunisation Team were in Calderwood yesterday, administering the nasal spray to all pupils who returned their consent forms. They will return to Calderwood at a later date (to be confirmed, probably in early December) to catch up with any pupils who were absent yesterday.



Reflection Survey for Parents and Carers

Thank you to everyone who completed our online survey for parents and carers. Your responses were very helpful.

I am currently collating these and will share the key messages with you at a later time.

THANK YOU!

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

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