

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2022

## Outdoor Classroom

We are absolutely delighted with our new outdoor classroom, which was installed over Spring Break. This is a fantastic addition to our large playground area, and will enhance both outdoor learning opportunities and playtimes and lunchtimes for pupils.

Funding for this came from a variety of community-based projects and our Parent Council. It has taken a long time to turn the plans into a reality, and I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has both fund-raised and worked in our garden over the years, and to those of you who continue to do so through activities such as our Gardening Club. Thank you!



## Staff News

- Mrs Combe began her maternity leave on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May – and welcomed her new arrival only a few hours after leaving the school! Welcome to the world, Olivia, and congratulations to Mrs Combe and her family on their new arrival.
- We are delighted that our Principal Teacher, Mrs Waddell will be stepping up to cover Mrs Combe's maternity leave as Acting Depute.

- Mrs Kirkland will be increasing her hours, so she will share the week on a 50/50 split with Mrs Waddell, with Mrs Waddell on a Monday and Tuesday, Mrs Kirkland on a Thursday and Friday, and both working alternate Wednesdays.
- We are also delighted to let you know that, following a recruitment exercise, both Mr Mowat and Miss Scambler have been appointed to Calderwood on a permanent basis. Congratulations, both!



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## Make it Happen Competition

Our Digital Leaders launched their 'Make It Happen' competition to design a new App at the beginning of this year, supported by the Make It Happen charity.

The digital leaders were blown away by all the amazing and creative ideas that our Calderwoodies came up with, and choosing a winning design was a very difficult job.

Congratulations to our top three winners, Qassem, Charlie, and the overall winner Jasmeet. Her 'Busy Mee' App is designed to help a person stay organised – very handy!



## Bike Shelter

We are also very pleased with our new bike shelter in the large (infant) playground at the back of the school. It is now complete and ready-to-use (after very nearly being our own version of the Leaning Tower of Pisa due to the steep incline of the playground!).

This has come in very handy with our P6 pupils who are taking part in their Cycling Proficiency at the moment, and will hopefully encourage lots more Calderwoodies to cycle or scoot to school.



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## Important Dates for Your Diary

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Stage</b>	<b>Location</b>
<b>Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May</b>	Picnic in the Playground (Parent Council event)	<b>Whole School</b>	Playground
<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Holiday</b>	<b>Whole School</b>	
<b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June</b>	<b>Holiday</b>	<b>Whole School</b>	
<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June</b>	<b>Holiday</b>	<b>Whole School</b>	
<b>15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> June</b>	P7 Residential Visit to Lockerbie	<b>Primary 7</b>	Lockerbie Manor
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June</b> <b>9.30am</b>	Summer Service	<b>Whole School</b>	Stonelaw Church
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June</b> <b>Evening</b>	P7 Leavers' Dance	<b>Primary 7</b>	School Hall
<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>School finishes at 1pm for Summer Break</b>	<b>Whole School</b>	

**Please note, arrangements for Sports Day have still to be confirmed.**

