

Calderwood Chronicle

Thursday 23rd October 2020

Harvest

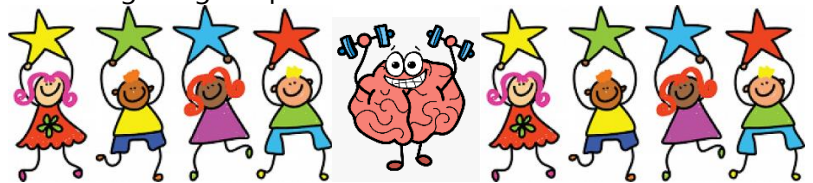


Thank you very much for all your Harvest donations sent into the school before the October break. You were incredibly generous, as always. These will be donated to Rutherglen and Cambuslang Foodbank to support members of our local community. Thank you!

Room 8 Growth Mindset Assembly

A huge 'well done' to Mrs Waddell and Room 8 for hosting our very first virtual whole-school assembly on the theme of Growth Mindset.

The class did a brilliant job entertaining and informing us. My favourite moment was when the rest of the school gave them a huge round of applause from their classrooms, and you could hear it resonating throughout the school. Well done, Room 8! You are our pioneers, and we look forward to this becoming a regular part of our school week.



Autumn and Halloween

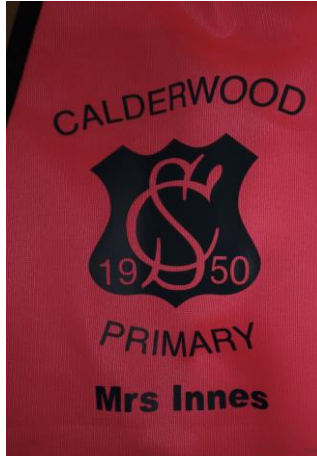
We know that Halloween will look very different this year for our families, and we have been looking at ways to celebrate the season in school, whilst also being mindful of the restrictions we need to adhere to. Here are our plans:

- **Autumnal window displays:** Every class will be decorating their window for autumn/Halloween. There will be prizes for the most creative displays – have a look as you pass through the playground to see who you think should win!
- **Scarecrow competition:** Many classes will be making scarecrows to display around the school (and hopefully outside). Again, there will be prizes for the most creative designs.
- **Halloween fun afternoon:** On Friday 30th October, pupils can come to school either dressed up or dressed down. If your child wishes to dress up for Halloween, they can come to school in a costume. Children should not bring masks or toys in with their costume (including toy weapons). Costumes should be worn all day, and not brought in to change into at lunchtime, so please ensure your child will be comfortable in their outfit. If your child does not want to dress up, they can dress down in comfortable clothes.
On Friday afternoon, every class will have fun games and activities in their room. Weather permitting, we may have some outdoor activities, too.
- **Pumpkins (supported by our Parent Council):** Every child in the school will bring home a decorated pumpkin picture. If you wish, you can display this in your window. Then, children can go on a 'pumpkin hunt' with their parents. Every time they spot a Calderwood pumpkin in a window, the parent pops a treat in their Halloween bag. This means that children can still get a treat without visiting other peoples' houses, and hopefully have a wee bit of fun in the process.



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Playground



If you have been in our playground before or after school recently, you will have noticed our staff are now all kitted out in badged high-visibility vests. This is to allow staff to be easily identifiable in our large playground.

We have been working very hard to ensure the safety of staff, pupils and families in our playground both before and after school. We would like to politely ask parents of children in P2 to P7 to **drop-and-go - no waiting in the**

playground, please. Our playground is staffed from 8.50am, and there is a designated 'waiting area' for pupils who are a 9.05am bell at the pitch area. This will help keep the playground as clear as possible for parents and carers to walk through. Please also vacate the playground as soon as you have picked up your child/children. Your help with this is greatly appreciated.

Masks in the Playground

At their last meeting, our Parent Council agreed to promote the wearing of masks by all adults in the school playground for the safety of staff and other parents. We greatly appreciate this message, and fully support this. Thank you!



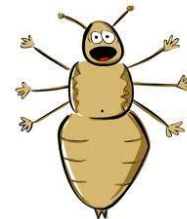
Dates for Your Diary

Halloween Fun Afternoon (children to dress up or dress down): Friday 30th October

Inset Day (school closed to pupils): Monday 16th November

Head Lice

Unfortunately, despite our efforts to socially distance, we have had a number of cases of head lice in the school recently. Please remember to regularly check your child's hair. Free 'head lice kits' are provided at pharmacies through the minor ailments scheme.



Remember FACTS for a safer Scotland



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