



Livingston Village Primary School

Newsletter

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School Update

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Open Door Policy

Communication with Staff.

In the first instance please contact your Class Teacher who will endeavor to respond to your concern and/or pass on to the PT or HT.

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

This is our first newsletter of the year and I would like to start off with a quote "I'm not telling you it is going to be easy. I'm telling you it is going to be worth it." I truly believe this and am excited about the coming year. We are in a good position with a highly motivated and hard working staff, supportive and involved parents and of course wonderful children who are a credit to you. We have much to do and have already begun to ensure we have excellent learning and teaching in every class every day. We spent our first in school staff session reviewing and updating our behaviour policy and we are beginning a consultation process to refresh our school vision, values and aims. I will talk more about this at the 'Meet the Teacher' evening on the 6th of September. It is important that we all have a say in what we want for our children and our school. I want to work closely with you and look forward to getting to know you better and hearing your views as well as those of the children and staff.

Warm regards

Mrs Mill

School Uniform

We ask for your support in ensuring all children wear school uniform. This positively effects behaviour and instils a sense of pride in our school. The uniform is grey/black trousers or skirt with a sky blue/navy or white polo shirt. School shoes should be black. We discourage wearing brightly coloured trainers or shoes. Stud earrings may be worn if great care is taken during gym or sporting activities. The wearing of makeup and larger items of jewellery is discouraged during regular school hours.

Sporting Activities

Mr Stewart is back with us two days a week and we are looking forward to another exciting year where our children will further develop skills and take part in sporting events. We will kick off the year by taking part in European School Sports Day on Friday 29th of September. This is on a dress down day so we are asking everyone to bring a £1 and wear sporty clothes. Please, no football tops. Further details will be shared nearer the time.



Primary 1 Photograph

The photographer from the Courier will visit our school at 9.15 am on Thursday 3rd of October to take photographs of the new primary one classes so make sure everyone is looking their best. This photograph will be one to cherish in the years to come.



Parent Consultations

Consultations will take place on Wednesday 11th October from 5.30–8.00 p.m. and Thursday 12th October from 4.00–6.30 p.m. Appointment times will be issued nearer the time. The book fair will run from Monday 9th to Friday 13th. We benefit from hosting this event with a percentage of the sales going toward books for the school.

McMillan Coffee Morning

We are hosting a McMillan Coffee morning on Friday 15th of September. We will start at 10.15 am. There will be a charge of £1 for children and the funds raised will go directly to McMillan Cancer Support. We hope as many of you as possible will attend and help raise funds for this very worthwhile charity.

Dress Down Day

Our Dress Down Days were very successful last year and we raised a total of **XXXXX** for school funds. Thank you very much for your support. We will continue doing this on the last Friday of each month.



Milk Money

Unfortunately the opportunity to buy milk for your child this term is now over. However, you can purchase milk at a cost of £8.36 for the new term (starting 24th October) This can be paid electronically on ipay impact or at the school office. We will let you know when to do this.



Meet the Teacher

All parents and carers are invited to 'Meet the Teacher' evening. There will be a brief introduction from Mrs Mill, the new Head Teacher in the hall starting at 6pm, followed by half hour sessions by your child's teacher in the classroom.

Teachers will share their expectations of the coming year and answer any questions of a general nature. If you have more than one child the bell will ring and you can attend a second session. Individual parent consultations are scheduled for October 11th and 12th. We look forward to seeing you there.

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Diary Dates

- ♦ Wednesday 6th September—Meet the Teacher event starts at 6pm in the hall. We do not have child care facilities for this event.
- ♦ September holiday
School will be closed on Monday 18th September. Staff will return Tuesday 19th. Pupils return Wednesday 20th.
- ♦ P5 Residential to Low Port—25th September to 27th.
- ♦ Parent Consultations—Wednesday 11th 5.30—8pm;
Thursday 12th 4.00-6.30pm
- ♦ October Holiday
School closes on Friday 13th October at 12.05 and staff will resume 23rd October.
Pupils return on Tuesday 24th October.



Again, in order to enhance communication within the school and to keep you regularly up to date with school news we would like to remind you of our Twitter account. We are encouraging staff to post items regularly.

All for the children for all of the children !

COMMENTS SLIP

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Pupil's name and class: _____

Please feel free to comment on any item in the newsletter or anything else regarding school. We always value your feedback on how we can continue to improve.

Comments:-