

Cardonald Primary School

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Term 1 Newsletter: August 2021



We are delighted to welcome all the children and staff back to school for what we hope will be a more normal and settled year ahead. We also would like to extend a warm welcome to all our Primary 1 children, new children across the school and our new members of staff.

We hope to be able to begin to invite parents back into the school again at some point this school year. In the meantime, we will continue to share our learning with you via TEAMS (P2-7), Seesaw (P1) and our school twitter.

This newsletter contains a number of important reminders and information for the year ahead. Please contact the school or visit our school website if you require any further information.

If you have any issues you wish to discuss with your child's Class Teacher or the Leadership Team please make an appointment via the school office.

Mrs Waddell (Depute Head Teacher) will have responsibility for P1-P3/2

Ms Mohd (Depute Head Teacher) will have responsibility for P5-P7

Mrs King and Mrs Strang (Principal Teachers) will have responsibility for P4/3 and P4.



Follow us on twitter: @CardonaldPri



<http://www.cardonald-pri.glasgow.sch.uk/>

Visit our youtube channel

Staff moving on

We sadly have to say farewell to Mrs Clark our clerical assistant and Mr Bell one of our class teachers.

Mrs Clark has been an invaluable support to the school – staff, children and families – over the 15 years she has worked at Cardonald Primary.

Mr Bell is a much-loved class teacher and all pupils and parents always speak very highly of him. He has worked at Cardonald Primary for 11 years. Mr Bell is still currently working in the school, his last day will be Thursday 23rd September.

They will be very much missed by us all and we wish them luck in the future.



Reporting your child's absence



You have a legal requirement to ensure your child is attending school on a regular basis. Attendance under 90% disrupts children's learning. If your child is absent you have a parental responsibility to inform the school by 9.30am via the

Pupil Absence Reporting Line on 0141 287 0039

If your child is going to be absent please call the 'Absence Reporting Line'. If the reason for absence is personal or you feel the school requires more information about the absence please call the school directly. If you have not made contact, the school will try to contact you via text. If the school is unable to contact you, child protection procedures will be put in place to ensure the safety of your child. This will involve informing the Home School Support Worker. Your child's safety and well-being is our priority. We appreciate your support with this matter.

*You can now also report absence via an **online form**. Please read the form on the next page for a detailed explanation of this.*

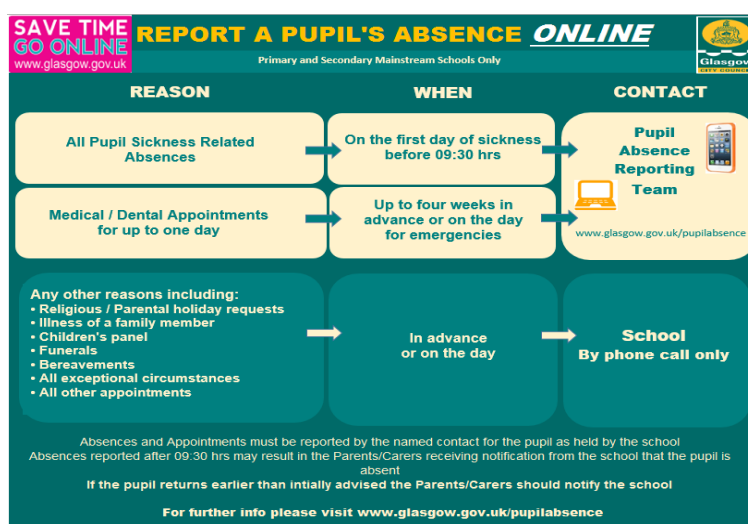
This is the link for the online form:

<https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/pupilabsence>

If a child is persistently absent or late this matter will be investigated and appropriate action taken.

Appointments

If your child is required to attend an appointment during school time please inform the school office.



Remember school begins at 9.00am

Support your child to be on time. Late-coming disrupts learning.

Groupcall

We have been using Groupcall to send texts, emails and information to those who have the Xpressions app. This service is a valuable cost saving tool for the school to help keep you informed and relies on parents keeping their contact information up to date with the school. The Xpressions app in particular allows us to send information letters and attachments, reducing paper and is free of charge to the user. We would encourage you to **download the app by accessing <http://parents.groupcall.com/>**

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is provided by Glasgow City Council catering staff between 8.00-8.45am every morning. Breakfast Club costs £2 for your first child and £1 thereafter for additional children you have.



Children who have registered with the local authority for free school meals are also entitled to a free breakfast.



Healthy Snacks and Lunch

Lunch is free for P1-4 pupils and £1.90 for those in P5-7 who pay for lunch.

*Please ensure your child has a healthy snack and lunch. Children will not be allowed to have more than 1 snack at playtime. Encourage your child to make healthy choices for snacks. Remember **no fizzy** drinks or chewing gum please!*

Pupils are also encouraged to drink water (plain) in the classroom to keep hydrated and refreshed. Juice or flavoured water is not allowed in the classroom.

Nuts or citrus fruits are not permitted in school as we have some children who have severe allergies to both of these types of food. Your support and understanding in this matter is greatly appreciated.



School Uniform

All pupils at Cardonald Primary wear the school uniform as we believe that it helps to promote a sense of belonging, pride and a positive image of the school in our community.

The school uniform is:

- Grey skirt or trousers
- Maroon jumper
- Maroon sweatshirt or cardigan
- White shirt and school tie
- White polo shirt
- Maroon reversible waterproof / fleece jacket/ blazer with school badge
- Red / yellow striped or checked dress may be worn in the summer



Please note that 'Hoodies' are not permitted unless they are P7 leaver's hoodies. Hoods are not allowed up in class.

For health and safety false nails should not be worn to school.

P.E Kit and Jewellery

P.E Kit must be brought to school.



Your child should have a PE kit including a change of shoes for PE in school.

Shoes will not be routinely changed but children can change into PE shoes when appropriate (eg: their shoes are wet or muddy).

No jewellery is allowed to be worn in P.E for the health and safety of all children. Please ensure it is removed on gym days. Children will be unable to participate in P.E if wearing jewellery. For health and hygiene reasons staff cannot take out earrings for your child.

Lost Property

*We regularly have pupils losing many items of their clothing. **Please ensure all clothing has your child's name clearly marked on it.***

Games Consoles/ Expensive Items

Games consoles, mobile phones and valuable items and toys should not be brought to school. They are not covered by our insurance and we are not responsible if anything happens to them.





One Way system

Parents are reminded that at Cardonald Primary we operate a voluntary one-way system round the oval. Please could all parents respect this and turn right when entering the Oval to avoid congestion during our busiest times first thing in the morning or at the end of the school day.



Dogs

Dogs are not permitted within the school playground or school building with the exception of guide dogs.

Advice on Head Lice

In the past, schools used to send out advice and information to parents about the detection and treatment of head lice. Alert letters are no longer sent out.

A very useful leaflet is available on line at:

<http://www.healthscotland.com/documents/25.aspx>

Further advice can be given by staff at your local chemist

We would like to remind all parents and carers that Head Lice cannot be prevented but that regular checking ensures early detection and treatment. If you need further support or advice please contact the school who can refer you to the school nurse for further advice.

Medication

Parents are also asked to inform the school of any particular medical requirements that their children may have. We have procedures for dealing with children with asthma and for administering medicines. Details of these are available on request.



Emergency Contact Information

At the start of each school session, parents will be issued with the annual data check form. Please ensure that this is completed and returned to the school. It is also important that you let us know if there are changes to your telephone number(s) or to those of your emergency contacts throughout the year.



Class Teachers 2021/22



Class	Teacher
P.1m	Miss McCall
P.1w	Mrs Wilson
P.2	Mrs Grant / Mrs Gillies
P. 3/2	Miss Arthur
P.4/3	Mr Kelly
P.4	Miss Logue
P.5	Mrs Miller
P.6/5	Mrs Norris / Mrs Malik
P.6	Miss Atkinson
P.7/6	Mrs Jardine
P.7	Miss Thomson
NCCT	Mr Bell
	Mrs Hall



School term dates 2021 / 22



August

- Thursday 12 August 2021 (Return date for Teachers & In-Service Day)
- Friday 13 August 2021 (In-Service Day)
- Monday 16 August 2021 (Return date for the pupils)

September Weekend

- Friday 24 September 2021
- Monday 27 September 2021

October

- Friday 8 October 2021 (In-Service Day)
- Monday 11 to Friday 15 October 2021 (October Week)

December - Christmas and New Year

- Schools close at 2.30 pm on Wednesday 22 December 2021
- Thursday 23 December 2021 - Tuesday 4 January (Christmas holidays)

January

- Schools return on Wednesday 5 January 2022

February Mid-term break

- Monday 14 February 2022
- Tuesday 15 February 2022
- Wednesday 16 February 2022 (In-service day)

April - Spring Holiday (Easter)

- Schools close at 2.30 pm on Friday 1 April 2022
- Good Friday 15 April 2022
- Easter Monday 18 April 2022
- Schools return on Tuesday 19 April 2022

May

- Monday 2 May 2022 (May Holiday)
- Thursday 5 May 2022 (In-Service day to coincide with Scottish Local Government Elections)
- Friday 27 May 2022

June

- Thursday, 2 June 2022
- Friday, 3 June 2022 - Queen's jubilee.
- Schools Close at 1.00 pm on Friday 24 June 2022