

Head Teacher's Report

Parent Council Meeting 16 June 2020 at 7pm

I would like to update you on a number of issues as we approach the end of the current school year which has been like no other in living memory.

It has been an incredibly challenging time for everyone and I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and understanding.

We are all looking forward to the day when we can welcome everyone back to Cardonald Primary at the same time.

School Building

Early in June, members of staff were allowed to come back into the school in small groups to begin to plan for August. The Hub in Hillington we had been sharing with other pupils within our cluster closed and a small number of our own children started to come to Cardonald

Pupil Reports and Class Lists

From the start of June Clerical Staff were also be able to return to their school and come in for part of each week. This allowed us to start preparing to post out pupil reports, class lists with the name of each teacher as well as whether your child will come to school on either a Monday and Tuesday or on a Thursday and Friday. We will be posting all of this information out to families this week.

P1 Induction

Mrs Rodriguez has been busy contacting parents and carers of our new primary one pupils and welcome packs have been sent to all our new P1s. It looks increasingly unlikely that transition visits to the school will be able to take place before the end of the summer term. We therefore arranged a virtual walkthrough for parents and children to get a feel of what there are will look like and this was very well received. We look forward to welcoming all our new P1s in August.

P7 Transition

Mrs King and Mrs Strang have been working closely with Rosshall and other secondary schools regarding Primary 7 transition and we have been keeping families updated with arrangements. There are plans to allow our P7 pupils participate in a revised graduation ceremony and families have received individual arrangements regarding this to ensure we respect the 2m social distancing requirements.

Staffing

As we near the end of this school year, we would like to say a big thank you to Mr Dhillon, Miss Kerr and Miss Rundell who will be leaving us to move on to new ventures and I am sure you will join me in wishing them every success in the future.

We are also looking forward to welcoming back Mrs Waddell and Mrs Malik who return to our school tomorrow from maternity leave.

Leadership Team at Cardonald

I would like to thank Mrs King and Mrs Strang for their outstanding contribution as Acting Depute Headteachers over this academic year and which officially ended today. We look forward to the school benefitting from their continued dedication and commitment in their new role as Acting Principal Teachers as they join an expanding leadership team at Cardonald Primary School. From August the leadership team will have responsibility for the following classes:

Mrs Rodriguez (DHT)

Upper School P5-7

Mrs King and Mrs Strang (Acting PTs)

Middle School P5/4 and P4

Mrs Waddell (DHT Part Time)

Infants P1-4/3

I would like to finish by thanking the members of the Parent Council for their tremendous ongoing support towards the school and I would urge any of the parents in our school to join our Parent Council team to ensure that it grows and strengthens in the years ahead and that we never take its impact and contribution for granted. This time, next year the Parent Council will be saying goodbye to nearly half of the membership and August would be the perfect time for a fresh injection of new members to see how the Parent Council operates and is run.

If you have any questions, please email me using: Headteacher@cardonald-pri.glasgow.sch.uk