

# Clober Primary School Newsletter

## June 2022



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The end of the school year is always emotional and we have to say a few more goodbyes than usual this session. We are sad to see some of our colleagues and friends go but are delighted to welcome new faces to the Clober community. Our growing school is buzzing with excitement as we start to think ahead to next session. This includes a larger leadership team and the addition of a nurture base to support our children. This session has been a challenging one for many reasons, not least the ongoing pandemic, but we are looking forward to relaxing and recharging the batteries before coming back bigger and better in August. I hope you all have a restful, sun –filled summer break.

Happy holidays!

Catriona Marshall

Head Teacher

### **Now Live: Parents Portal**

You will by now have received a letter/email about the new Parents Portal, which launched on 25th April. East Dunbartonshire Council is changing the way schools and families communicate with each other through a new online service called [parentsportal.scot](https://parentsportal.scot). It's an online portal designed to be a one-stop shop for a number of school-related activities and will create a new digital relationship between you and us. This exciting development will make communicating with one another easier and more efficient.

Here are just some of the things it will help you do: make online payments (cashless catering), report an absence, book a parents' night appointment, view your child's attendance and timetable, look at our twitter feed, update your contact details and get latest news from us. And you can apply for the new Young Persons' Free Bus Travel Scheme (for 5-10 year olds) via Parents Portal too.

You access the new Parents Portal via the Scottish Government's secure online account called myaccount. Don't worry if you don't have one yet or can't remember signing up for one - all the information you need is on the Council website with helpful FAQs. There will also be details on the school website [www.clober.e-dunbarton.sch.uk](http://www.clober.e-dunbarton.sch.uk)

### **Staff News**

Congratulations to Mrs Greer who will assume the role of Acting DHT in August. This post is in addition to that of Mrs Law, and has arisen as a result of our increasing numbers. Mrs Law will have pastoral responsibility for P1-P3 and will coordinate support for learning for these stages. Mrs Greer will provide pastoral support to P4-7 and will coordinate support for learning for these stages.

We are looking forward to welcoming Mrs Kim Mackay to the school, who will assume the role of Acting Principal Teacher.

It's time to say goodbye to Miss Facchini and Mrs Toal. We have loved having them as part of the Clober team and wish them every success for the future.

Mrs Wan is retiring, and we gave her a lovely send-off on Tuesday, with a farewell assembly. Mrs Stirling is also leaving us to begin teacher training. We wish both ladies the very best of luck in their new adventures.

Mr Dunford is taking a career break and we wish him well in his new pursuits.

Mrs Di Lillo and Mrs Donlin will join the team as Support for Learning Assistants in August.

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Miss Cowan, Ms Dunn and Miss Scott will join our teaching team in August and we look forward to working with them. We are delighted that Miss Weir, Mrs Barr and Miss Macdonald will remain with us next session.

### **Classes next session**

Our school roll will be 350 pupils and the class structure will be as follows:

P1a Mrs O'Donnell	P5a Mr Billcliff
P1b Miss Gibb	P5b Miss Scott/Mrs J Chapman
P2a Miss Robertson	P6a Mr Lees
P2b Miss Macdonald	P6b Miss Weir
P3a Mrs Denniston/Mrs Relly	P7a Mrs Cook/Ms Dunn
P3b Miss Mitchell	P7b Miss Cowan
P4a Mrs Barr/Ms Dayer	Nurture base: Mrs K Chapman
P4b Mrs Adair	

### **School Uniform**

I have sent a letter out to all parents and carers regarding school uniform. If you are purchasing new school uniform, please avoid skinny jeans or leggings. It is important to look smart for school. Thank you for your co-operation.

### **Transition**

Our P7 pupils are looking forward to going on to secondary school. They have had lots of virtual meetings and are feeling excited about this new chapter of their lives! We are always sad to say goodbye to our P7s but we know that they will do us proud and we look forward to hearing about their achievements in the future.

P1-6 pupils know who their new teacher is for next session and we have sent home transition booklets for each child with this information on it.

Pupils start back to school on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August at 9am for P2-P7 and 9.30am for P1.

### **Eco Schools Award**

Well done to Mrs Greer and the Eco Committee who achieved a Green Flag in April. The assessment panel said the application and the supporting evidence was a joy to read through and we should all be very proud of what we have achieved under such difficult circumstances over the past two years.

### **Sports Day**

Our sports events on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May were great fun; we were delighted that friends and families could join us. The highlight of both events was the parents egg and spoon race – it could become a permanent feature! Thanks to Miss Barrett for organizing the events and well done to the children in the Ukraine team who won overall.

### **P7 Activities Week**

P7 had a great time at West End Adventure and in the school grounds for activity week; from tent pitching, kayaking, hill walking and rambling it was a fun filled week! Thanks to Mr Dunford, Mrs Relly

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Miss MacDonald and Mrs Cook for organising it all. A number of staff joined the activities throughout the week and we are very grateful to them for accompanying the children.

### **Queen's Platinum Jubilee**

The Pupil Council were busy gathering the views of the wider school over the last few months in the lead-up to the jubilee. The main item on their wish list was a bouncy castle and we managed to get two; one with a slide and one with a bouncy obstacle course.

The Pupil Council planned a day packed full of fun activities, such as Platinum Jubilee fitness stations, face painting, nail painting, pin the bow on the corgi, pin the jewel on the crown, making crowns, bookmarks, bunting, flags, cards, dance zone and lucky dip. We had a menu fit for the Queen in the dining hall, a parade with Mrs Marshall as Queen and we sang our Jubilee songs. To finish off, we all indulged in a royal crispy cake with a cup of juice in our classrooms.

We were very lucky to be supported by our wonderful PTA who assisted all day ensuring everyone had a great time.



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### **Leavers Farewell/PTA disco**

We said goodbye to P7 on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June with a leavers party – pizza, fizz and cake – followed by a disco. Thanks to the PTA for organising the event. It was great that all our children P1-P7 got to enjoy a disco before the end of term. There was a lot of excitement on the evening itself and lots of tired faces the next morning in school!



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### Achievement Assembly

This was held on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June. At this ceremony, children from every class were awarded for showing our school values: aspire, respect, achieve and enjoy. Thank you to the PTA for funding these. We also presented three special awards: the Quaich for creativity P1-3, the Parent Council Shield for citizenship in P7 and the Boclair Cup for creativity in P7.

Class	Aspire	Respect	Achieve	Enjoy
P1a	Violet	Billy	Leo	Ella-Rose
P1b	Jade	Brodie F	Taeyang	Holly
P1/2	Ana Maria	Arwen	Ruairidh	Elsie
P2	Morven	Anna	Olivia B	Orlaith
P3a	Lucy	Joseph O	Luc	Marcus
P3b	Alex M	Albie	Evie	Finn
P4	Hannah	Chloe	Jessica	Manny
P4/5	Morgan	Alexis	Fraser	Joshua
P5	Jennifer	Layla	Gareth	Zak
P5/6	Matthew	Gurasees	Constance	Alex
P6	Alex	Andrew	Lauren	Jenna
P7a	Lucy	Hannah	James	Riley
P7b	Martin	Maisie	Livia	Cieran

**P1-3 Quaich for Creativity:** You Ran

**P7 Boclair Cup:** Natasha

**P7 Parent Council Shield:** Olivia

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### Talent Show

Our talent show for pupils was a virtual event on Tuesday afternoon. Thanks to you all for sending in the entries – we had a great time watching all our talented children! There were no winners this year, it was just for fun.

### Dates for the Diary – more information will be sent out regarding these in the new session

➤ Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	1pm	Summer holidays begin
➤ Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> August		Staff return to school
➤ Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> August	9am	Pupils return to school
➤ Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> August	9am	Individual/family photographs
➤ Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> August	7.30pm	Parent Council AGM, Douglas Academy
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	7.30pm	PTA AGM, Douglas Academy
➤ Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	3.15-4.15pm	Meet the Teacher
➤ Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	6pm – 8.30pm	Face to face parents' meetings
➤ Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> October	3.30pm – 6pm	Face to face parents' meetings

### Important Reminders

**Nut Free School:** Please **do not send your child to school with any items containing nuts or nut traces**. We have children within the school who have **severe allergic reactions** which could result in anaphylactic shock.

**Medication:** Only certain members of staff are allowed to administer medication to pupils. This can only be done after the parent has visited the school and completed the necessary paperwork. We have strict guidelines which we must follow.

**Parking:** Please do not park on the pavements, block driveways or double park outside the school. Too often there have been near misses at the school gate. Please think of all children and park away from the school at all times. St Luke's church is happy for parents to park in the car park.

**Wet Intervals:** We provide your child with activities to do during wet intervals, if you would like to provide your child with a book or small, inexpensive game, that would be great. Please do not send your child in with any valuable items such as PSP or iPods.

**Anti Vandalism / Health & Safety:** Please report any sightings to the police. As you know we are equipped with CCTV cameras and these are very beneficial to us. Such cameras are fully operational both day and night and allow us to identify and report any vandalism.

**Head Lice:** Please check your child's head on a regular basis and inform the school if you find an infestation.

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**All Jewellery MUST be removed during Physical Activities (incl PE):** I would ask that you refrain from piercing your child's ears until the beginning of the summer holidays as any size of earring prohibits your child from taking part in physical activities. Policy states that staff cannot remove jewellery.

**School Dress Code:** Pupils are encouraged and praised for wearing our school uniform. White shirt and school tie together with the school blazer are always encouraged.

**Mobile phones:** EDC policy states that any child requiring a mobile phone in school should hand their phone into the school office each morning and collect it at the end of the day.

**Tooth brushing:** All children in the nursery, P1 and P2 classes brush their teeth daily in order to create good habits and decrease mouth decay. Pupils brush their teeth within class, after lunchtime.

**Attendance:** We monitor attendance every morning and afternoon session. If your child is going to be absent please contact the school office on **0141 955 2232**. Failure to do this puts a series of actions in place which could result in calling the Attendance Officer and Police Scotland. If your child is late please

explain that he/she must pass the Office to check off their name. The class teacher may have already alerted the Office to begin the attendance check procedures and your child coming to the Office when late could stop this procedure more quickly.

### **Keep in touch:**

**Twitter:** @CloberPrimary

**Website:** [www.clober.e-dunbarton.sch.uk](http://www.clober.e-dunbarton.sch.uk)

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### **Recognising Pupils' Achievements outwith Clober Primary—Please Return**

We encourage children to tell us about their achievements outwith school however big or small. For this reason we would like your help. If you feel that your child has accomplished something for the first time, improved in something or has achieved an award (yellow belt in Judo, a badge at Scouts /Brownies/Boys Brigade etc) then please let us know by completing the tear off slip below. This will then be discussed at assembly and added to our achievements wall and records.

-----CUT and RETURN-----

### **Recognition of Achievement**

I would like (name) \_\_\_\_\_ (Class) \_\_\_\_\_ to be recognised for his/her achievements in (please provide as much detail as possible):

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



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