

# Meadowburn Primary School/ Bun Sgoil Innis an Uillí

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A motivating, challenging, inclusive and nurturing community where we learn, achieve and grow.



The first couple of weeks of term have flown by and it has been lovely to welcome all of our children and families back to school. I would also like to take the opportunity to extend a warm welcome to our new children and families that have joined the Meadowburn Community this term. We are delighted with how well our new Primary 1 children have settled in to life at Meadowburn and how well our older pupils have been demonstrating great responsibility around the school already with their buddying duties.

## STAFFING UPDATES

We have a few new members of staff this year across the school and we are delighted to welcome them all to Meadowburn. Miss Moodie will be teaching in P4, Mrs Corcoran will be teaching in P6 and Miss Houston will be teaching in C3/4. We also welcome back Mrs Gardiner who has returned from maternity leave and will be teaching in P1.

Miss Moodie



Mrs Corcoran

Miss Houston



We also have a goodbye to say soon as we are very sorry that Mgr Reid, one of our Gaelic Classroom Assistants, will be leaving Meadowburn on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September to start a teaching post in Glasgow. We will all be very sorry to see Mgr Reid leave and wish him all the very best for the future. I would like to take this opportunity to thank him for all his hard work, commitment and support during his time at Meadowburn.

## REMINDER - MEET THE TEACHER

A reminder that we would like to invite parents to 'Meet the Teacher' on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September from 3.15-4.15pm. This is an opportunity to visit the classroom, with your child/children, meet the class teachers and find out some important information for the year ahead. We took on-board feedback and this was a more informal approach last year than in previous years, allowing families the flexibility to visit siblings' classes across the hour. This was positively evaluated and we will continue with this approach this year. We hope that as many of you as possible are able to attend. Please note that any information/presentations shared will be made available for all parents afterwards on the school website. Please note that homework starts the week after Meet the Teacher.



## SCHOOL RULES/VALUES

Our School Rules and Value were created, in consultation with pupils, parents and staff, to make them as meaningful and memorable as possible. The Meadowburn 3 School Rules are listed below. Please take some time to read over these and discuss them with your child/children.

### Our Rules...

**Be Ready**

to listen and learn.

**Be Respectful**

to all.

**Be Safe**

and safe towards others.

### Riaghailtean na Sgoile...

**Bi Deiseil**

airson èisteachd is ionnsachadh

**Seall Spèis**

dhan a h-uile duine

**Bi Sàbhailte**

ris a h-uile duine.

We also have our 6 School Values and children learn about these regularly in Assemblies and throughout the school, these are:



## GATES/PLAYGROUND SAFETY

To ensure the safety of all of our pupils during the school day the gates at the Villafield and Teviot Avenue are locked during school hours from 9.15am - 11.45am and from 1.15pm - 2.45pm. Access to the school and nurseries at any other times will still be available from the main gate on Lendale Lane. We would kindly ask all visitors to the school to be vigilant and close over any school gates at any other times to keep our school grounds as safe as possible, including the gate to the car park.

Please also remember that to keep our playground a safe place for everyone, including our many nursery pupils, I would like to remind all parents/carers that there should be no dogs in the playground and to remember that anyone cycling or scooting to school/nursery should come off their bikes and scooters at the school gates and push them through the playground.

We would also ask that you share the above information with any family members or friends who are involved with bringing children to and from school. Thank you.

## PARKING SAFETY

Thank you for your support with the Traffic Free Schools project around the school. If you have any questions or concerns around the project then there is a designated email address you can contact - [TrafficFreeSchools@eastdunbarton.gov.uk](mailto:TrafficFreeSchools@eastdunbarton.gov.uk). Please be mindful of parking considerately in the local community ensuring that driveways are left clear with enough space for residents to safely leave and enter their driveways and be aware of any potential blind spots your car may cause.

## FLU IMMUNISATIONS

The date for the nasal spray immunisations for school children in Meadowburn this year is **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November - am**. Flu Immunisation packs have been sent home already and further information is available at <https://www.nhsinform.scot/winter-vaccines/the-flu-vaccine/primary-and-secondary-school-children/>



## IMPROVEMENT PLAN PRIORITIES 2025 - 2026

Our Improvement Plan has been finalised for 2025-2026 and our main improvement priorities for the coming session are summarised below. Full details will be available shortly on the school website and we will keep you updated on progress through newsletters and the school 'X' page.

### Priority 1: Raising Attainment in Literacy - Listening & Talking

### Priority 2: Pupil Leadership in Learning through Play (P1-2) and PEBL (Pupil Enquiry Based Learning P3-7)

### Priority 3: The CIRCLE Framework and Inclusive Practices including working towards becoming a Prem Aware School



## ALLERGY AWARE

May I take this opportunity to remind you that we are a **nut free school** as some children in school suffer severe allergic reactions when they come into contact with nuts. This includes any snacks such as cereal bars, coconut snacks or chocolate wraps that may contain nuts. I would therefore ask that you keep this information in mind when sending any snacks and packed lunches to school to help keep all of our children safe in school. Please also remind children that they should not share or swap snacks to avoid children/young people accidentally eating the wrong food as we have a number of children in the school with other food allergies or intolerances.

## FREE SCHOOL MEALS/CLOTHING GRANTS

We would also like to remind all parents/carers about the School Clothing Grant and Free School Meals that is available for eligible families. Please note that all Primary 1-5 are currently entitled to free school meals. More information on the criteria, as well as the application form can be found in the link below;

<https://www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk/residents/schools-and-learning/grants/school-clothing-grant#>

## PLEASE SEE BELOW FOR UPCOMING DATES THIS TERM SO FAR ...

Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> September:	Primary 1 and Clas 1 Glasgow Times Photograph
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September:	Meet the Teacher 3.15-4.15pm
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> September:	School holiday
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> September:	School holiday
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> October:	School Photographs (individual and siblings)
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> October:	Stay, Play, Learn session 9.15-10am. (This is an opportunity to come into your child's classroom and experience a learning activity with them.)
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> October:	Inservice Day - School closed for pupils
13 <sup>th</sup> - 17 <sup>th</sup> October:	Holiday week
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> October:	Pupils return to school
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> November:	am - Flu Immunisations for school pupils

**We will send out a calendar of key dates across the whole year in the next couple of weeks once finalised.**

If there are any aspects of school life that cause concern or that you would like to discuss, please do not hesitate to get in touch through the school office, by phone or email, and we will do our best to help.

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