



Eastbank Primary School October 2021 Newsletter



Attendance

The attendance rate for each class from August – September '21 is as follows:

P1A	97%	P5/4	94%
P1B	94%	P5	92%
P2	95%	P6	97%
P3/2	94%	P7/6	92%
P3	93%	P7	91%
P4	93%		

N.B. Glasgow City Council wish schools to record numbers of parents taking family holidays within term time and I would ask all parents to inform me in writing if your child is to be absent due to a family holiday.

Regular attendance at school ensures your child reaches their potential.

Please remember to contact the Pupil Absence Reporting Line (287 0039) if your child is going to be absent. This should be done before 9.30am on the first day of absence.

You can also record absences using a new online facility at <https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/pupilabsence>

Exiting Procedures

All infant pupils are now comfortable and familiar with our school system of handing their school bag over the fence to their collecting adult before exiting the playground.

Please could I remind all Parents/Carers to remain at their chosen spot along the fence until their child reaches them.

Thank you for your co-operation and support with this important safety matter.



On Thursday 23rd September our Rotakids Team held a non-uniform day & tasty treat afternoon to raise funds for MACMILLAN Cancer Support – a charity close to our hearts at Eastbank raising a record breaking amount of money.

Thank you to the Eastbank TEAM
"Together Eastbank Achieves More"

Our School Improvement Plan Priorities 2021-2022

Priorities for development:

Our school team will be working hard to further develop many aspects of school life here at Eastbank, always aspiring to provide the very best experiences and opportunities for our children and their families.

Please see the overview at the back of the newsletter for more details.

Rag Bag Collection

I just wanted to take the opportunity to say thank you for supporting our Rag Bag Collection! Over the course of the year your deposits have been weighed and raised just over £198.00 for our school. Please encourage all friends and family to use as well....every little helps!

*Clothes *Bedding *Towels *Curtains *Shoes



Parent Council Update

Following a successful Parent Council AGM I am delighted to share that Miss Sarah Beacom will be our new Chair Person and that Miss Clare Amato has kindly agreed to continue as Treasurer. Many thanks to Mrs Sharon Lyle for being an excellent Chair Person and for her continued support as part of our Parent Council. Our next Parent Council Meeting will be held on **Tuesday 19th October at 6pm**. All parents are encouraged to come along to our friendly and informal meetings. We are always keen to welcome new members to help organise fun whole school events, focus on building community relationships and raising money for a whole range of school events ranging from Christmas parties to summer trip buses!

Nut Free Zone

Just a wee reminder please do not bring nuts or products containing nut traces into school as all Glasgow City Council Schools are nut free zones.



Dressing-Up Parties

Halloween is fast approaching and we will be enjoying some Halloween activities and games throughout the day on Friday 29th October.

All children are invited to dress up and join in the fun. Children can arrive at school in costume or bring their clothes/masks to change into at lunchtime. All classes will enjoy a class party in the afternoon.

Please make thoughtful choices when dressing-up. We would ask that no toy weapons/props are brought into school or children dressed as clowns.

I would like to extend a HUGE thank you to our Parent Council who have kindly donated money for games and party food.



False Nails and Jewellery

Please could I ask that we try to avoid lengthy 'false' nails during term time.

They do pose a hazard during practical activities and are simply impractical for many aspects of school life.

Please avoid wearing unnecessary jewellery too.

Thanks so much.



CAR PARKING

I would like to once again remind all adults to park safely away from the school and **WALK** with their children to the gates.

Parents and carers are kindly asked **not to use the staff car park/driveway**

for picking up and dropping off.

Thank you for your support with this matter!



COP 26

The 2021 United Nations Climate Change Conference, also known as COP26, is the 26th United Nations Climate Change conference and will be taking place in Glasgow.

This will provide many learning opportunities across the school this year, with all classes learning about the environment and Learning for Sustainability.

Learning for Sustainability (LfS) is a learning approach which promotes opportunities for children to develop as socially-just, sustainable and equitable.

This session we have worked with Sewing Seeds to further develop our school grounds.

We look forward to developing this space for children to learn in and enjoy.

School Uniform / PE Kit

Please continue to support our uniform policy fully. It really makes a huge difference to ensuring children are ready to learn.

Can I remind you that **LEGGINGS** and **JOGGING** trousers are **NOT** school uniform and ask that you ensure **ALL** clothing, shoes and lunchboxes are labelled with childrens' names.

Our lost property bundle continues to grow!
We do not have the facility to continue to store lost property items.

We would also greatly appreciate if you could ensure that children bring their PE Kit on gym days or indeed leave kit in school and refresh every few weeks.

Also I would like to take this opportunity to remind you that jewellery should not be worn to school especially on gym days.

Thank you



And Finally.....

I cannot believe we have already been back for 6 weeks! Our children have settled well into their new classes and are working hard to follow our 5 values – Honesty, Fairness, Responsibility, Respect and Politeness. Please see the updated overview and discuss the steps with your children

Thank you for your continued support with this.

Kind regards

Gayle Minnis

