



Broxburn Primary School

Our Vision 'Inspire, Achieve and Care'


Newsletter

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Open Door Policy

Parents/carers are welcome to visit the school at any time. Please arrange an appointment at the school office.

Please see below for the member of our Leadership team with responsibility for your child.

Mrs Delargy ELC – P1

Mr Page P2 – P4

Mr Anderson P5 – P7

Dear Parents/Carers,

This month sees our annual Spring Grounds Day fast approaching. This is a great opportunity to support the school and ensure it looks tip top.

There is lots of evidence to support the positive impact of an attractive learning environment and for us this includes our outdoor spaces.

On Sunday 26th May between 1pm and 3pm please bring the family (parents, grannies, aunties and children, all welcome) along to weed, paint, dig, plant and sweep our outdoor areas. Please bring any tools or donations of plants, soil, bark or pea shingle, you would need to complete these tasks.

This time we plan to focus on treating our wooden structures, tidying the front gardens and beginning to improve the areas around the back of the school. Refreshments will be supplied, including cakes and biscuits for all of your hard work!

Many thanks for your help and support.
Mrs Davies



IPay Impact Accounts

Please can all parents/carers ensure that regular payments are being made to IPay Impact accounts to pay for any costs of school lunches and trips. Where possible please can all trips be paid for before the trip takes place.

If you finding payments difficult at any time please come in and speak to us, in confidence. We are always happy to help, when we can and once we are aware of this. You can speak to the staff in the office or make an appointment to see a member of staff you are comfortable talking to.

School Clothing Grant and Free School Meals

Changes have been made to the way you apply for school clothing grants and free school meals.

All applications for forthcoming 2019/2020 academic year should be made via an online application form. This can be found at www.westlothian.gov.uk/mealsandclothing. We have also added a link to this form to our website.

Please apply if you are entitled to receive this benefit as the school will also be allocated Pupil Equity Funding if families are receiving this.

Staffing

Congratulations to Mrs Johnston who is expecting a baby later in the year. With all of the recent baby to be announcements we are delighted to share with the news that two new teachers will be joining our team. Miss Hannah Gall and Miss Nicole Leys will be joining us in August. The classes for next session are still to be confirmed and these will be shared as soon as possible.



Continuous Improvement for Our School

During the coming weeks we will be gathering your thoughts and opinions about our school and about how to further improve what we do. Please look out for these opportunities and help us by making time to share your ideas. We really value and appreciate your contributions.

Primary 7 Transition

This year our Primary 7 pupils are taking part in an extended transition project based on developing skills for learning, life and work. The context for this project is Broxburn in the Past, Present and Future and the purpose is to develop a sense of pride in and knowledge about our community, which is steeped in history and played a leading role in the industrial revolution. The Primary 7 pupils will learn about this through many curricular areas and will have an opportunity to spend more time at the Academy with other Primary 7 pupils from within the Cluster.

European Parliamentary Elections

On Thursday 23rd of May the school will be closed for the children as polling for the European Parliamentary Elections will be taking place. Thank you for your understanding regarding this additional day. The staff will be in school and will be undertaking staff training during this day.

What We Are Learning?

At Broxburn Primary School we learn many things, but some parents and carers might not know, so let's find out!

Our Primary 1 children will be learning about planting and their bodies this term. They will also be spending time introducing the children from our Early Learning Centre to the routines of life in Primary 1, as part of our extended transition processes.



In Primary 2 the children will be learning all about their Senses. They will be conducting experiments related to this and writing poems about their Senses too.



Primary 3 are excited to be learning about the similarities and differences between canals and rivers in their learning context Broxburn Waterways.

This term Primary 4 are learning about William Wallace And Robert The Bruce, including their role in the Wars of Scottish Independence and what life was like during this time.

Primary 5 will be learning about life in the Victorian times by creating a museum for other classes to visit. Please note that the P5a Assembly will now be held on Friday 21st June. This date has changed and we apologise for any inconvenience caused due to unforeseen circumstances.



Primary 6 are learning about the Scottish Parliament. They will be examining key features of a democracy and develop their understanding of the roles and responsibilities of citizens within society. This will be linked to applications for House Captains and Leadership roles next year in Primary 7.



Primary 7 will be learning all about Broxburn in the past, present and future throughout their transition project with Bathgate Academy. They will also be heading off to Kingswood camp in Hexham this week. We hope they have a great time and that the sun shines for them.

Parent Council Update

Movie Night

This was an exciting evening with a great attendance at both showings. PJs, beanbags, cosy pillows/blankets and teddies were everywhere and everyone enjoyed spending time with their friends whilst watching the films.

School Grounds Day

Come and help to get our school grounds tip top on Sunday 26th May between 1pm - 3pm. Bring your own tools. Refreshments provided and all are welcome.

Parent Council Meetings

Thursday 6th June 2019 6pm - 7pm

Childcare is now available during meetings and everyone is welcome

Diary Dates

13th—17th May	P7 Camp - Kingswood in Hexham
17th May	Plc Assembly at 9.15am, all welcome. Please enter by Hall door
20th May	May Bank Holiday
21st May	All children return to School and ELC.
23rd May	European Parliamentary Election— School and ELC closed to children as it is being used for polling.
24th May	All children return to School and ELC.
29th—30th May	P7 Induction Days at Broxburn Academy
10th—21st June	Health Fortnight—Children can wear Sports clothing during this fortnight as they will be taking part in lots of different activities linked to being healthy..
10th June	Sports Day— 1.30pm—3.15pm at the Albyn
21st June	P5a Assembly at 9.15am, all welcome. Please enter by Hall door.
28th June	Church Service 9.30am @ Broxburn Parish Church
28th June	Summer holiday begins at the end of school day. All children return to School and ELC on 20th August