

Acting Head Teacher News

I hope that you all had a good half term? Like all half terms these are times to take stock and spend time with each other. I do hope that you managed to get some time together as a family?



You would have all heard on Monday 22nd February, from the Prime Minister, that all primary aged children can return to school full-time on Monday 8th March.



We are absolutely delighted that we can welcome all children back to school at last for face to face teaching. We know that this has been a difficult time for children and families both in educational and social terms, so the return is very timely.

Since the announcement on Monday the Senior Leadership Team and some Governors have worked hard to ensure that all children and their families return to school safely.

I can assure you that the timings for the school day have remained the same which is: 8:40 - 9:00am drop off and 3:00 - 3:20pm collection for primary aged children.

There will be some changes which I am finalising today and will update you very shortly. I am sure that you are aware that things take time and a great deal of preparation, so I ask that you are patient as we want to ensure that we get this right.

We understand as parents the pressures that you are under and as school staff we are facing this too. However, can we kindly ask that when you do call into school and speak to the admin staff you do this courteously. This is also the same if you are leaving a voicemail message. We do have limited admin staff in the office, particularly towards the end of the week.

Thank you to all those families that have sent in work that the children have completed.

I am absolutely amazed at the level and completion of work from stories to cooking to 3D models. Please look on our Facebook page as we update this very frequently with the amazing work that we receive.

On a final note, if you have not yet made a parent consultation appointment, please can we ask you to contact the Class Teacher through the Year group email.

Jane Barker-Doe, Acting Head Teacher



Calton Playgroup News

We hope you have all had a lovely half term. It is great to welcome most of our children back to playgroup now, we have missed you. Nursery Rhyme this week is:



Incy Wincey spider climbed up the waterspout. Down came the rain and washed the spider out. Out came the sunshine and dried up all the rain. So Incy Wincey spider climbed up the spout again.



This week we have been so busy painting where we learnt to mix colours together, "I can make purple blue and red". Chalking using our large motor movements "Look at me I can write my name H, is in my name". With the playdough we experimented rolling, kneading and stretching. We have also taken part in a fun experiment, where we learn about nasty germs and how to prevent them from spreading with the help of Shrek "Wash your hands before you eat and after".

World Book Day is on 4th March. We hope you will take part even if you are not in playgroup that day and share some photographs, we us. A separate email will be sent to you.

We hope you have all seen the beautiful display of daffodils in Forest School, we have regularly been checking on their progress. The first signs of Spring and hopefully some sunshine. Have a lovely weekend.

Jackie Swankie, Playgroup Manager



Key dates for your diaries



2021

1st March	Secondary School Allocation Day
4th March	World Book Day - dress up as a favourite story book character
8th March (midnight)	Deadline to accept Secondary School place
1st April (Thursday)	End of Term 4
16th April	Primary School Allocation Day
19th April	Start of Term 5
28th May	End of Term 5
7th June	Start of Term 6
14th - 18th June	Y6 Residential visit to Condover Hall (rescheduled)
30th June	Class & Playgroup Photographs
5th - 7th July	Y5 Residential visit to Croft Farm (rescheduled)
7th - 9th July	Y4 Residential to Croft Farm (rescheduled)
16th July	End of Term 6

2021 / 2022

6th September	Start of term 1
27th Sept - 1st Oct	Y6 Residential to Condover Hall
22nd October	End of term 1
1st November	Start of term 2
10th November	Individual Pupil & Playgroup Photographs
17th December	End of term 2
4th January 2022	INSET DAY, school closed to pupils
5th January	Start of term 3
18th February	End of term 3

Reporting Pupil Absences

If your child will be absent from school due to illness, please telephone the school office, before 9am, stating child's name, class and the nature of the illness.

01452 527689

Link to "Open Letter to all Parents / Carers" from Gavin Williamson, Secretary of State:

<https://dfemedia.blog.gov.uk/2021/02/23/an-open-letter-from-education-secretary-gavin-williamson-to-parents-carers-and-guardians/>

Emotional Wellbeing & Resilience in Children

A webinar for parents – 8pm, 2nd March 2021

Join Tim and Shell from **Imagine For Schools** as they

discuss emotional wellbeing & resilience in children

How to be with your child in their emotions and encourage them to talk about them

Walking with your child as they encounter and deal with struggle and challenge

Helping your child to begin to control their emotions



Active Gloucestershire

For more information and tickets, go to bit.ly/2ndMar21

At Calton we promote emotional wellbeing and resilience with the children. During this pandemic it is more important than ever. We recommend signing up to this webinar for information on emotional wellbeing and resilience in children.

This is a FREE webinar, 8pm on 2nd March.

More details can be found by following the link to the left where you can also book your free place.

"Confident People Shining; developing skills for life, supporting each other in our team, achieving our best and always showing respect because successful learners are the STARS at Calton Primary School."

Skills Team Achieve Respect Success

DoodleMaths



Well done for working so hard on your home learning.

Top Doodlers of the week

Year R Aditi, Olivia, Imogen

Year 1 Alex, Micah, Oscar

Year 2 Austin, Rayyan, Lilianna

Year 3 Almila, Sarah, Noah

Year 4 Zaina, Tommy, Wiktor

Year 5 Tobias, Nikodem, Jameel

Year 6 Nathan, Charlotte, Aaron



Doodlers in the Green Zone

Year R Aditi, Madany, Lacey, Olivia, India, Imogen, Ayesha, Emily, Oban

Year 1 Alex, Micah, Tirth, Adam, Jonah, Oscar, Jessica

Year 2 Austin, Alexander, Mamadou, Rayyan, Ranish, Kurai, Jack, Jace, Imogen, Oliwia, Trystan, Lilianna, Cruz, Rafael

Year 3 Almila, Josiah, Elliot, Samuel, Sarah, Harveer, Aahil, Nabeel, Noah, Anuj

Year 4 Zaina, Alexandria, Tommy, Anna, Chloe, Sebastian, Wiktor, Jack

Year 5 Tobias, Nathaniel, Nikodem, Corben, Jameel, Lexxi, Oliver, Maja

Year 6 Nathan, Tyrese, Katie, Mason, Gabriela, Grace, Holly, Charlotte, Jack, Olivia, Aaron, Kaena



Doodle English

Well done for working hard on your Doodle English.

Top Doodlers of the week

Reception Aditi, David

Year 1 Alex, Jensen, Victoria

Year 2 Austin, Rayyan, Lilianna

Year 3 Elliot, Nabeel, Noah

Year 4 Zaina, Petra

Year 5 Nikodem, Lexxi

Year 6 Tyrese



Doodlers in the Green Zone

Year 1 Sareah

Year 2 Eesa, Alexander, Ranish, Imogen, Jacob, James, Damian

Year 3 Bayley, Harveer, Sarah, Ky'Ontai, Anuj

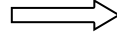
Year 4 Abigail, Chloe

Year 6 Nathan, Mason, Katie

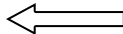
Playgroup Forest School



"I'm looking for worms"
New vocabulary - binoculars

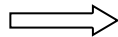


"I did it at last"
Resilience and problem solving

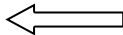


"The daffodils are growing"
Developing an understanding
of growth and change over
time

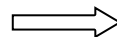
"Save our daffodils"



"That's disgusting, yuk"



" Wipe it like this and wash
your hands"



" I love rainbows, they are so
pretty"

