



# Bridgend News

August 2021



Dear Parents/Carers

A warm welcome back to everyone, after an amazing Summer break, weather wise. I appreciate it may have felt a long time for our pupils, however, given that the staff had worked tirelessly throughout the lockdown period, it was a welcome break to recoup and re-energise for the new term.

Our Primary 1 pupils have settled to school life well, and I think the transition week from nursery, in particular, supported them with the success of this. We welcome Miss McGillivray to our team this year and she has also settled well into the Bridgend Community.

Not much has changed for us at present in regard to COVID19 safety measures and precautions, however, we hope that things may relax further, in the foreseeable future, however, thank you for your continued support in wearing face masks whilst on the premises and keeping a 2m distance.

It has been disappointing to observe, that respect is not shown to all adults in the school, by a large number of pupils. We will be working hard to reinforce key messages around 'respect' and what it looks like and we will keep our high standards and expectations with regard to attitude. Please support us by speaking to your child/ren around this.

Kind regards

Jackie Aitken  
Head Teacher

## Parent Council



As restrictions continue to relax, we hope to be able to meet as a Parent Council, in person, very soon. Hopefully there will be further information around this, next month.

## Asthma Awareness



Each year the NHS advise that there is an increase in asthma attacks in children when they return to school, which often result in admission to hospital. Check out their top tips to try and avoid this happening. If your child uses an inhaler, please ensure that all health forms have been completed and that they carry this (if able to do so) to school.

Remember, asthma attacks are serious and you need to get help day or night if your child is not responding to their blue inhaler.

## Car Park



Please ensure your child is not walked through the entrance to, or across the school car park at any time. They must stay to the path for their safety. Please also avoid parking or blocking the bus turning circle area. If dropping off your child, West Lothian Council are encouraging parents/carers to use 'Park and Stride' which is to park in a safe space or drop your child there in order for them to walk the remainder of their journey. This contributes to health and wellbeing for all.

## Tracksuits



We are aware that some pupils may have outgrown their tracksuits. As advised, many of you have completed the recent Forms page with regard to our participatory budget and how best to spend this. It was unanimous amongst parents as to how this should be spent, however, we also need to consult with our pupils and are currently in the process of this. Replacing the tracksuits has been difficult as Decathlon are no longer stocking large quantities of them. If you have a tracksuit at home, and in good condition, this could be recycled until new ones are purchased.

## Dates for your Diary



### August

- 16 First full week back for everyone  
Anti-Bullying Week focus

### September

- 3 Bikeability for P5/6/7 pupils
- 20 & 21 September holiday

- 23 All resume

### October

- 8 Mid-Term break
- 18 In-Service for staff
- 19 School pupils resume

