

CORNBANK PRIMARY NEWSLETTER #RISE

September 2023

WELCOME BACK FROM MRS STEVENSON 😊

Welcome back to school everyone!! It is scary to think that we are at the start of a new session already. I hope everyone has had a lovely summer break?

We have had a super busy start to the new term with our Establishment Phase well underway. Learners have settled and are showing motivation for learning. A special shout out to our new P1s who have been little superstars and adapting to primary school life superbly. Already, we are seeing strong relationships forming between them and their P7 Buddies.

Our P7s are working hard already on the House Captain Elections and their assembly will take place on Friday 8th September with the whole school involved in the voting process.

It was lovely to welcome so many of our families at both our P1 and P2-7 Curriculum Evenings.

We hope these have been helpful in informing you of what to expect this session and how we can work together to improve outcomes for all our learners.

I look forward to continuing building stronger relationships throughout the coming session.

Lynsey Stevenson
Headteacher



Establishment Phase

Our Establishment phase this session is focusing on classroom routines and expectations including our Meet and Greet at the school doors, the Cornbank RISE values, the UNCRC Rights of the Child and creating a class charter, our Cornbank toolkit, the zones of regulation and our restorative approach to behaviour.

We are proud of the culture and ethos we have created at Cornbank. Please ask your child what they have been learning.

DATES TO NOTE FOR SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

Establishment Phase
ongoing

1st Sept - Class Charter
Assembly/Tea with the
SLT

4th Sept - Reading
issued/Learning Walks/
Parent Partnership AGM

6th Sept - P4 Swimming
commences

8th Sept - House Captain
Election Assembly/
Partnership Raffle
drawn/Tea with SLT

11th Sept - ECO Week/P7
trip to Scottish
Parliament

13th Sept - P4/6 Swimming

14th Sept - Wear
Green/One Planet Picnic

Staff

We welcome three new staff members to our team this session.

Miss Hopkirk has returned from maternity leave and will teach Mondays and Tuesdays across the school working with Mrs Deas to deliver teacher non class contact time.

Miss MacRae is our newly qualified teacher this session and will teach in P6 with the support of Mr Drysdale.

And Miss Finlayson has joined our ELC team as a second SEYP to support in the smooth running of the ELC.



Thank You

Personally, I would like to thank the staff, the children and our families for their support and making me feel so welcome on my return. It is lovely to be back and working again after such a difficult personal time.

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SAFETY
EXCELLENCE**

Postcards and Tea with SLT

Assemblies will continue on a Friday morning and each class will present a Sharing the Learning Assembly this session to which you will be invited, with the Cornbank Partnership providing refreshments beforehand. Our Cornbank Toolkit postcards will continue to be issued with children now coming to spend time with the Senior Leadership team on a Friday at Tea with the SLT. We hope the children will benefit from this special one to one time.

Communication

We shared at our Curriculum Evenings how we will communicate with families this session; please let us know if you think we are missing a trick. I would welcome any feedback on how to improve in this area.

15th and 18th Sept - Bank Holiday

20th Sept - P4/6 Swimming

23rd Sept - Eco Assembly/Tea with SLT

27th Sept - P4/6 Swimming

29th Sept - Support for Learning Assembly/Pupil Voice Groups/Tea with SLT

2nd Oct - Bike to School Week/Bookfair Week

4th Oct - P4/6 Swimming/Parent Partnership Meeting 6.30pm

5th Oct - Parents Night (5-8pm)

6th Oct - House Assembly/Tea with SLT

10th Oct - Parents Night (4-6.30pm)

NB

Please do not forget to bring your PE kit to school - many thanks 😊

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