

Welcome to Cornbank Primary School

31st January 2024



STARTING SCHOOL



Objectives for Tonight

- Welcome to our School Community
- School Information
- Staffing/People Who Help
- Transition Process
- P1 Curriculum - Play and the Classroom
- Session Dates
- Communication
- Questions



School Information



- Approx 300 learners in the mainstream across 13 classes
- 56 in our Early Years setting
- Offer a broad and balanced curriculum
- Eco School (8 green flags), Gold Sports Award, Active Schools, JRSO, range of Pupil Voice Groups
- High level of parental support/involvement and welcoming community
- Proactive Parent Partnership
- Strong links with outside agencies who support our learners



Vision, Values and Aims

Our Shared Vision

Cornbank - Where everyone works together to inspire learners to be their best now and in the future.

Values

Respect

Inclusion

Safe

Excellence

#RISE

Our Aims

- To form strong and trusted partnerships within our learning community
- To support and challenge our pupils to develop and apply their skills in literacy and numeracy
- To use our Cornbank Toolkit to support development of skills for lifelong learning, and for pupils to be Successful Learners, Responsible Citizens, Effective Contributors and Confident Individuals
- To nurture and support emotional and social well being for all
- To encourage respect for each others' differences, and embrace and celebrate diversity as a Rights Respecting School
- To ensure everyone's voice is valued, and they are able to contribute to and lead improvements



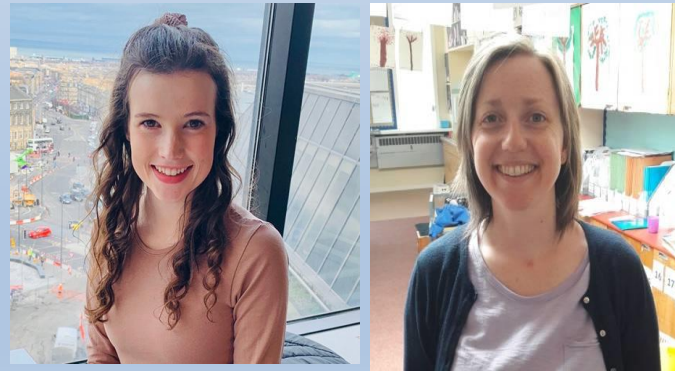
Senior Leadership Team



Head Teacher
Mrs Lynsey Stevenson



Depute Head Teacher
Mr Andrew Drysdale



Acting Principal Teachers
Miss Sarah Denholm & Mrs Laura Macgregor

P1 Teachers/ELC Staff

Miss Denholm and Miss Melvin are our current P1 teachers and Emma Daly and Amy Finlayson are our SEYP's - these staff and the ELC team will work to support the transition into P1 through April, May and June this year



The process of transition occurs over time beginning well before children start school and extending to the point where learners and families feel a sense of belonging to the school and when educators recognise this sense of learning



Transition



- There are currently 34 children registered to start in August 2024 from both Cornbank ELC and other early years settings (this is subject to change)
- You must register your child at your catchment school - placement requests follow later (April/May)
- Transition will start after the Easter break
- Early Years staff and P1 teachers will liaise to share information during this time

Transition



- All children will take part in the Midlothian wide 'Midmouse' project
- ELC/Partnership Nurseries and P1 teachers will liaise to share information and arrange visits to ensure a smooth transition
- Virtual tour available on the website
- Meet the Teacher day - June
- Welcome booklets for learners



Learning Through Play Across the Curriculum

- ' *A play-based approach should be used across transitions from nursery, to P1 and P2 and then beyond throughout primary and secondary education.*'

(Progress Review - Play Strategy for Scotland: 2020)



Learning Through Play Across the Curriculum

- In P1, we create a stimulating and engaging environment for learning that allows all children to develop skills in communication, co-operation and collaboration.



Curriculum for Excellence



Classroom



- Classroom layout
- Outdoor area
- Responsive planning - child led
- Learning through play each day
- Visual approach to teaching and learning
- Multi-sensory approach to teaching and learning
- Teaching table
- Clearly defined areas
- Positive behaviour strategies







Session Dates for 2024-25

MIDLOTHIAN COUNCIL
2024 - 2025 School Calendar

Legend:
School Closed/Holidays
Teachers In-Service Day (Closed for pupils)

These are on the Midlothian Council website for downloading and adding to your diary



Home/School Links



- Phone, email
- Home/school diary where necessary
- Shared Starts
- Family learning events
- Assemblies
- Drop off/pick up
- Curriculum evenings
- Parent consultations October/March



Communication

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Chat to us 😊



Questions from our Families?

