

Newsletter

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I cannot believe we are almost at the end of Term 1 here at Riverbank. We have been incredibly busy and we have certainly hit the ground running when it comes to our teaching and learning experiences. From author visits to the Great Scottish Run our children have had many fantastic opportunities already. We look forward to building on this great start over the course of the year. As ever, this is not possible without your support so thank you for this.

# **Parent Council**

We are very lucky at Riverbank to have an active and supportive Parent Council. We are always looking for new members. If you would like to find out more please email on



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# Uniforms

We have been so impressed at the high number of pupils who come to school in full uniform every day. As a reminder, the school uniform is:

Navy blue v-neck jumper/cardigan; white shirt/polo shirt on gym days; school tie; grey trousers/skirt/pinafore; black or grey tights; black shoes/boots. Thank you for continuing to support us with this.



# Drop off/Pick up

As a reminder, the pickup/drop off point is not a parking zone. Please remember when using this zone that the driver of the car is not supposed to leave the vehicle unattended. It is there to drive into, for your child to access the playground safely and then for the adult to drive away. Please help us to follow these rules and continue to keep our children safe. Our parking buddies are now in place to help remind us to keep safe. Thank you.

# **Open Afternoons**

We were delighted to welcome lots of you to spend some time with your children during our recent Open Afternoons. The children loved sharing their learning with you and we hope you enjoyed seeing them active and happy. Thank you also for the extremely positive feedback you gave us. Any action points will be shared with staff and we will work to improve on these points over the coming year. We will update you on this as we go.



# **Diary Dates**

Some of you have asked about an overview of dates. Please see this attached to the back of this sheet. Please note that some dates are subject to change but we will keep you informed of this when necessary.

#### Attendance

Can we please remind you that full attendance at school is required and is the best possible way to ensure your child receives a full range of learning experiences. We understand that family holidays and sickness happens but please try where possible to send your child to school. If you have any concerns about this or need some advice please call the school to speak to one of the Senior Management Team who will be happy to help.

### **Parents Evening**

As you will see on the attached calendar, Parent's Evening will take place on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November, 3:15-8:15. This will give you a chance to talk to your child's teacher about their progress so far. Each appointment is limited to ten minutes. There will be a letter coming home after the October break to ask to pick a suitable timeslot. We will try to accommodate this if we can.

#### **School Improvement Plan**

As in every Glasgow school, we have an improvement plan to work through each year. We have set targets for ourselves to reach by the end of this session in June. Our three main areas for improvement are

- Literacy reading
- Learning and Teaching – learning through play in P1 and P2/Digital Learning
- Health and
  Wellbeing –

regulating emotions/positive mental health/outdoor learning.

Our staff team will be working alongside pupils, parents and third sector agencies to deliver these improvements. We will consult with you throughout the year too. If you would like more information about this, please contact Mr Hynes at the school who would be more than happy to talk this through with you.

# **P7** Transition

All of our P7 pupils are expected to attend Eastbank Academy in August 2020. We have already started our transition programme which has been very enjoyable so far. This is such a worthwhile experience for our young people and we look forward to seeing them grow more confident with this change over the next few months.

Wishing you all a lovely October Holiday when it comes. Take care.

Mr Hynes