



Parent Information Sheet
Friday 25th June



Who finished top?



Points for READY TO LEARN, SAFE AND RESPECTFUL for this week are...

Eagles - 2999 points Hawks - 2817 points Owls - 2883 points Falcons – 2672 point



Congratulations...

A very different year, with a very different awards ceremony! But nevertheless, we were able to announce that the Blue Eagles were winners of this year's House Trophy! Congratulations to all the children and good luck for next year.

Thank you:

I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all the children, parents and staff for all the hard work during an exceptionally difficult academic year. On a personal note, I would like to say thank you for all the kind messages of welcome.

Despite school looking very different, the children have worked tremendously hard. I'm sure there have been nerves for all sorts of reasons, but they have risen to the challenge time and time again. Following on from the Autumn term, we had to once again rely on the help of Mums and Dads, Grandparents, brothers and sisters with Home Schooling as we were thrown into another COVID lockdown. We have thoroughly enjoyed welcoming the pupils back from March onwards. We have noticed a resilience that has been developed by the pupils during this period, a willingness and excitement to learn. As a staff, we have certainly appreciated the 'normal' aspects of school life that before perhaps went for granted.

At Easter, we lost a loved member of staff. Mrs White's good nature, kind heartedness and presence will never be replaced but we are grateful that we were able to remember her life in school recently. I would also like to pass on my thanks to all the staff within the school. The dedication, determination and resilience shown throughout this year has been fantastic. From Lockdown Collaborates to Wizard of Oz Days, the staff have adapted accordingly.

In a few months, we will be embarking on another academic year, another year of challenges in uncertain circumstances. However, we as a staff are excited! We are excited for the opportunities and the learning experiences ahead, excited for the fun and all the events. No matter what happens, together as a community, we will face whatever comes next.

School Return:

I am aware that parents would like to know if we will be operating in the same COVID Guidelines when we return in September. Until told otherwise, we have to assume that the same regulations and guidelines will be in place. The situation is ever changing and instead of putting out timetables etc that are likely to change, I will confirm the final details with you towards the end of School Holidays. I appreciate your patience with this. In the meantime, I would like to remind you that the first day of the 2021-22 Academic Year is Friday 27th August for P2-7. Nursery and P1 have already been contacted by Mrs Harte and Mrs Kerr.



School Uniform:

We will be continuing the deviation from the normal school uniform, i.e. that children can wear green school polo shirts in the Autumn term. This is to help parents wash the uniform on a daily basis. Children can, of course, continue to wear the shirt and blue school tie as normal if preferred. Children will also be expected to come into school in their PE uniforms on the day their class has PE. I would like to stress that the children stick to the PE uniform, of the approved blue tracksuit and white polo shirt. Lastly, in a slight change from last year, on normal school days, children should be wearing black school shoes, not trainers.



School Photographs:

We are still awaiting the sample pictures from Opus Photography. As soon as we get the samples through we will inform you of how/when these can be collected and ordered.

Good luck!

Good luck to all our Nursery pupils! The children enjoyed a wonderful graduation this morning. For those pupils coming to Glencraig, we will see you in September and for those pupils heading off to pastures new- Good luck!

Farewells:

With Primary Seven departing last week, we also say good bye to Mr Wyatt. Mr Wyatt

started off providing support to all children across the school through our Engage programme. However, he settled into Primary 7 for the Spring Term and also towards the end of Term 3. Thank you and good luck in your new position teaching in Bloomfield Primary School.

From our Nursery, Miss Orr will also be leaving to complete a PGCE at the University of Worcester. Thank you once again for all your efforts with the children and the general help with the first year of our Nursery Unit.

Good luck to Miss Barbour who is becoming Mrs Reid over the summer holidays! We wish you all the best on your big day and every happiness for the future.

Thank you once again to everyone, please have a lovely, relaxing summer break!



John Mawhinney