

# MOORFOOT PRIMARY

# SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER



## WELCOME

This is my first newsletter as your new Acting Head Teacher. As you will already be aware my name is Lynsey Stevenson and I am delighted to have joined Moorfoot Primary School.

Over the past few weeks, I have been working closely with Steve Wood and visiting the school to learn more about the systems and procedures in place and I have very much enjoyed getting to know all the pupils, the wonderful staff and also meet some parents and carers of our school community at the recent Curriculum Evening. I have already spent time working in classes this week and this is something I am keen to continue with. I will regularly be around and about in the playground before and after school so please come and have a chat or of course contact the school if you would like to see me.

It is hard to believe that it has been 5 weeks since we returned to school in August and I know that it has been a busy time for all our learners with lots of exciting events happening across the school. I have provided some important dates for the diary until the end of this term.

In the meantime, I would like to thank everyone for making me feel so welcome and to take this opportunity to wish you all a lovely October break when it comes. I look forward to meeting and working with you further during what will be a busy term in the lead up to Christmas☺.

Kind Regards,

Lynsey Stevenson

Acting Head Teacher



## COMMUNICATION



There are a number of ways that we will communicate information and news with you - by letter, email, our website, our Twitter feed and of course we are very pleased with the success of our new school app. We currently have 53 families who are using the app and we hope you are finding this useful. Please let us know if you need any support to get up and running with this. You can view the website at [Moorfoot.mgfl.net](http://Moorfoot.mgfl.net) and follow us on Twitter @MoorfootPS.

## WEEKLY DIARY

It my intention to post our weekly diary on Twitter each week and we will also be updating the app too so that families are aware of what is going on across the school.



## PARENTAL CONSULTATIONS

Our Parent Consultations are due to take place on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> at 6-8pm and on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November at 4-6pm with separate arrangements being made for class 4. You will be given the opportunity to select which day you would prefer. We will do our best to accommodate everyone's preferences. Letters will be issued following the October break and we look forward to seeing you all in November.



## APPROPRIATE JACKETS AND FOOTWEAR

As Autumn has arrived and the weather is changing, please ensure your child comes to school with appropriate outdoor clothing. Fresh air is important so we will encourage the children to be outside playing at break and lunchtime. Please make sure all clothes are clearly labelled and if your child should come home with any clothing that doesn't belong to him/her then please return it to school the next day. We have lost property if you are looking for any lost items.



## PARKING

We have been made aware about some inconsiderate and dangerous parking around the school. Please ensure that you do not park alongside the buses to drop off or collect your child or park in the disabled bays unless you are entitled to do so. Please take time to park safely and away from the school.

Let's all work together to keep our children safe!



## P4-7 SCHOOL LUNCHES

School lunches for P4-7 children have increased to £2.00. This must be paid in advance using ParentPay or by cash if preferred.

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

27<sup>th</sup> September - P7 to visit NHS Modern Languages department

27<sup>th</sup> September - PTG Meeting 6.30pm - all welcome

28<sup>th</sup> September - dress down day

1<sup>st</sup> October - work experience pupil to work with all classes

2<sup>nd</sup> October - drumming workshops start for class 1 and 2

3<sup>rd</sup> October - skiing for P5-7

5<sup>th</sup> October - Be Bright Competition - wear bright colours to school

7<sup>th</sup> October - family duck race -3pm a Fushiebridge

9<sup>th</sup> October - flu vaccinations

10<sup>th</sup> October - skiing for P5-7

12<sup>th</sup> October - finish up for October break

22<sup>nd</sup> October - staff in-service day - no learners at school



## NEWS, NATTER AND NIBBLES WITH THE HT

I will be inviting two learners from each class to join me each week for News, Natter and Nibbles on a Thursday. This will allow me to get to know the children better and talk to them about their learning. Watch out for invites coming home!



## CELEBRATING WIDER ACHIEVEMENTS AT MOORFOOT

We are always very keen to share and celebrate our children's achievements outside of school. We do this on a daily basis in class and through our twitter feed and also at our Assemblies on a Monday. If your child has celebrated an achievement, no matter how big or small, then please e-mail the school at [moorfoot\\_ps@midlothian.gov.uk](mailto:moorfoot_ps@midlothian.gov.uk) or complete the slip below and hand it in to your child's teacher. We look forward to hearing about all of their achievements and sharing their successes.

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### CELEBRATING SUCCESS

Child's Name:

Class:

Details of achievement: