

Bulletin 30.8.21

The sunshine has remained with us, misty mornings this week and glorious by the afternoon. This has provided the pupils with lots of opportunities to play outdoors. The playground next to Treverlen Park has the addition of some long-awaited trim trail and

both front and back playgrounds now have outdoor classroom structures or *bandstands* as they seem to be known as. This week has also demonstrated how responsible and caring our new P7's are. They have nurtured and looked after our P1's, bringing them into 'lines' in the morning and supporting them as they navigate the dining hall. This has meant a reduction in their own 'free' play time but no complaints at all – BRAVO P7.

Covid Measures

Please note the following changes to reporting a pupil or staff positive Covid test.

1. Inform school that you have a positive test for Covid. We will require:

- Your child's first name and last name
- Class
- Date of birth
- Date of Covid PCR test which was positive

The school will email the above details of the positive case to City of Edinburgh Council Covid Case Management Team to confirm a return to school date for your child.

2. School will issue the new "Warn and Inform" letters from NHS Test and Protect to staff and parents.

Please remain at home while you wait for a PCR Covid test result for your child.

Up to date information can be found here: <https://www.nhsinform.scot/>

New P1 (2022) and S1 Places

Please be aware that CEC has updated its school applications, admissions, and appeals policy. The deadline is **Friday 24th December 2021** for applying for **P1** and **S1** school places for August 2022.

<https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/schoolplaces>

Flu vaccines for children

From academic year 2021/22, the flu vaccine is available to all primary and secondary school pupils.

- Nasal flu vaccine will be provided for most pupils.
- Please note that for the very few pupils who require the flu vaccine injection for clinical or religious reasons, the Community Vaccination Team will provide injections in school, on the day of the school session.
- Community Vaccination Team (CVT) clinics will be offered to children who are unable to receive for clinical reasons, are home-schooled or who miss their session date.
- Please return the consent form that your child received to the school as quickly as possible. If you have a general enquiry regarding flu vaccination, please see The flu vaccine (www.nhsinform.scot) Our date for pupil vaccinations is **Wednesday 13th October**

Diary Dates

Friday 3 rd September	Pupil Group Elections
Wed 15 th September	Meet the Teacher
Tuesday 21 st September	International Day of Peace
Friday 24 th September	New Beginnings Mass: P7

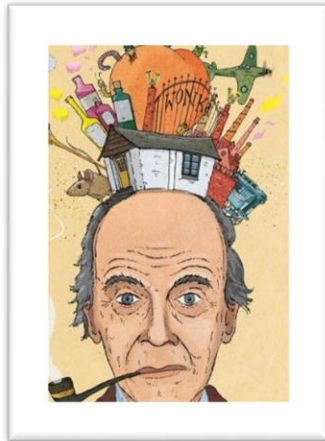
I am delighted to confirm 15th September as Meet the Teacher for all classes. Information and a link to join a MS Teams meeting will follow in due course. Class teachers will share important information and a brief curriculum update. Due to GDPR we are unable to record these meetings, but we will try and accommodate families with siblings and confirm these arrangements.

P7 will lead the school by preparing the opening mass of the year. We hope P7 will be able to attend church and the rest of the school participate by watching online from class.

Allergies

It is really important we have up to date allergy information. Please use the annual data check form to update the school. Contact with the school office if unsure. We do have some pupils with severe allergies to nuts and encourage non nut snacks including Nutella. Thanks for your support.

Whole School Topic



This year, the first term has a distinct *phizz-whizzingly* brilliant and *scrumdiddlyumptious* feel to it! This might have something to do with Roald Dahl! Each class is undertaking a novel study of one of the author's beloved books. This will culminate in a whole school celebration on Friday, 10th September, which will, of course include opportunities to **DRESS UP!**

Listed below are the *whangdoodles*, *snazzberries* and *whizpopper* books each class will read:



P1 The Enormous Crocodile

P2 George's Marvellous Medicine



Fox



P3 Fantastic Mr

P4 The Witches



the Chocolate

P5 Charlie and
Factory



P6 BFG



P7 Matilda

By using his books as a stimulus in this way, provides opportunities to work across the curriculum, so please ask your child/ren what they have been learning in relation to art/drama/music/science and maths as well as reading.

If you would like to support at home, some useful links provided below:

Official Website: <https://www.roalddahl.com/home/grown-ups>

Videos: <https://www.youtube.com/user/officialroalddahl>

No sew dressing up ideas: <https://www.theschoolrun.com/roald-dahl-dressing-up-costumes>

And Finally...the COVID-19 vaccination bus is in various locations this weekend. No appointments necessary and first and second (after 8 weeks) vaccinations are available. More info here: <https://stjohnsportobello.com/>



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<https://api.classlist.com/generator/invitepdf?sid=835270862&zu=827640878>

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