

**Blackwood Primary and Nursery Class**  
**Term 4 Weekly Newsletter - No. 9 (22.6.20)**  
**Head Teacher: Ms C. McMillan**



**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June**

Please see attached a question and answer sheet, which I hope helps you. School is open until Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June, so please email the office with any further queries you may have.

Before we close for the end of term, we are asking you to confirm that you have received the letter which informs you if your child is allocated to **Group A** (Monday & Tuesday) or **Group B** (Thursday and Friday).

**Group A** will attend school on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> August - as per the government guidance and start the blended model on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August.

**Group B** will attend school on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> August and start their normal pattern.

**Nursery** – still awaiting an update from SLC - sorry for the delay!

**Next Steps**

<b>Uniform</b>	<p>The uniform shop is open again through the website. However we may not have all sizes in stock. Alternatively, you can purchase through Scotcrest Uniforms, Quarry Street, Hamilton.</p> <p>Again we are encouraging a relaxed uniform of school polo shirt, red sweatshirt and black joggers. Outdoor trainers to be worn instead of school shoes.</p>
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**Staffing - Update**

Miss Whitefield is delighted to announce that she is expecting her first child. She will be on maternity leave for the session 2020/21. This takes our total to 5 maternity covers for the session!

**Proposed Overview for August**

<b>Week Beginning</b>	<b>What is happening?</b>
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Senior Management Team will be beginning to return to work on an adhoc basis and responding to the latest government advice.</li></ul>
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Families will be updated following the latest government advice.</li></ul>

## Google Classrooms

Teachers will no longer monitor Google Classrooms. At home you can still access all the work until Monday 10<sup>th</sup> August.



Google Classroom

### We are here to help ... let us know how!

- *We have access to our Barnardo's Family workers who can offer support. This support is in many different forms ... it is not a one size fits all. Please ask if you have any questions*
- *SLC are looking at ICT and internet access for all families – If you need internet access or any ICT equipment can you please let us know by emailing – [office@blackwood-pri.s-lanark.sch.uk](mailto:office@blackwood-pri.s-lanark.sch.uk)*
- *Linking with Community Resilience Group (Based at Kirkmuirhill Parish Church) open daily 10am-noon, Monday – Friday T: **07943 990630** or **07943 804965***

## School Uniform Recycle

### (Part of our work with ECO Schools and Cost of the School day)

*From Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June the school uniform recycling shop will be relocated to the Blackwood and Kirkmuirhill Community Resilience Group Hub based at Kirkmuirhill Church.*

*This group is open daily 10am-noon, Monday – Friday T: **07943 990630** or **07943 804965***

**If you have any school uniform for recycling please hand into the school or the hub at Kirkmuirhill parish Church.**

## Primary 7 - Transition to Secondary

Lesmahagow High School have asked us to share the following link with you which includes lots of information about transition to High School. Within the link there are various activities for your P7 child to take part in.



<http://www.lesmahagow.s-lanark.sch.uk/p7-transition/>

## **Cost of the School Day – Money Matters Advice Service**

We offer **free, confidential and impartial advice** - we can help check your benefit entitlement, assist with the claims process, challenge decisions and represent you at Social Security appeal tribunals. For debt issues we look at your financial circumstances, contact creditors, discuss options and give budgeting advice; **Contact number: 0303 123 1008**

Our Telephone Advice Line offers a similar service specifically aimed at pregnant women and families with young children; **Contact number: 01698 453154**



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