

Validated Self-Evaluation Visit (VSE)

Last month, a team of senior officers from North Lanarkshire Council visited our school and carried out a Validated Self-Evaluation visit.

This two-day visit consisted of lesson observations, meetings with myself and my management team to discuss attainment, equity and child protection and discussion groups consisting of staff, parents and children.

This visit was part of our ongoing process of improvement.

While we are still waiting on detailed feedback, initial feedback at the end of the visit highlighted our school as being welcoming and inclusive with children who are learning and are happy to be here.

The children who met with the VSE team were commended for being polite, well-mannered and articulate. They were a credit to the school.

I would also like to thank the parents who supported the school by speaking with our visitors.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 18th November	In-Service Day. Children do not attend school on this day.
Tuesday 19 th Nov	Parent's Appointments - parents should now all have been given an allocated time to meet with your child's teacher. Children should attend this meeting, where possible. If you would prefer to speak to the teacher without your child

	present. Just let the teacher know.
Wednesday 4 th December	Christmas Lunch
Thursday 5 th Dec	Christmas Show AM and PM performance. Details will follow in separate letter.
Friday 6 th December	Christmas Show AM performance.
Monday 9 th December.	Jazzart Panto in school
Tuesday 10 th December	P6 Christmas Fayre - this is for children in school only
Wednesday 11 th December	P7 Party
Thursday 12 th December	P6 Party
Friday 13 th December	Choir Performance - Princes Square, Glasgow P5 Christmas Party
Monday 16 th December	P4 Christmas Party
Tuesday 17 th December	P3 Christmas Party
Wednesday 18 th December	P2 Christmas Party
Thursday 19 th December	P1 Christmas Party

Holiday Dates

December 2024 - January 2024

Schools close: Friday 20th December 2024 at 2.30pm

Christmas and New Year holidays: Monday 23rd December 2024 - Friday 3rd January 2025 (inclusive)

February 2025 Mid-term break: Monday 17th February and Tuesday 18th February 2025

In-service day: Wednesday 19th February 2025

April 2025 Schools close: Friday 4th April 2025

Spring holiday (Easter): Monday 7th April 2025- Friday 18th April 2025 (inclusive)

Easter Monday - schools closed on Monday 21st April 2025

May 2025

Monday 5th May 2025 - holiday

In-service day: Tuesday 6th May 2025

May weekend: Friday 23rd May 2025 and Monday 26th May 2025 (inclusive)

June 2025 Schools Close: Wednesday 25th June 2025 at 1pm

Wellbeing Indicators

This month we will be focussing on the SHANARRI indicator ACHIEVEMENT. The children will learn about "Achieving Andrew." Achievements will be celebrated in class and, as always, at our weekly assemblies (*Article 29*).

Learning Journals- Wider Achievements

We have now launched the Wider Achievements section of our Learning Journals (*Article 29*).

Please use this to share any successes your child achieves out with school.

Parent Council Meeting/ PTA Meetings.

Please remember that all parents are welcome to join our Parent Council/PTA meetings.

Meetings are held on the first Thursday of every month at 6.30pm for the Parent Council and 7.15pm for the PTA.

This session, Parent Council meetings are being held online. If you would like the link to join the meeting, please contact the school office.

Our next meeting is on Thursday 7th November at 6.30pm for the Parent Council and 7.15pm for the PTA.

Child Protection

Please remember that child protection is the responsibility of everyone (*Article 19*). If you have any concerns about any child in our school community, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school.

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