



Weekly update

Friday 2nd October

Dedridge Primary School / Glenvue Nursery

<p>Message from Mr Todd</p>	<p>Good morning</p> <p>This week has been a busy week and the children have been enjoying a wide range of activities both indoors and outside despite the variable weather: it is great to look out of my office window and see them doing PE or using the outdoors as a stimulus for their learning.</p> <p>We had our first online Parents' Evening and we are pleased that we were asked to be the pilot for this. We have been ironing out the kinks in the system and look forward to welcoming you again in the future.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Nursery news</u></p> <p>Please click on the link or type into your browser to find out what the nursery have been up to this week: https://sway.office.com/hA7Wk7LcprzoalfH?ref=Link</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Playground</u></p> <p>Thank you for continuing to support the one way system in the playground. We have also sent out a letter from the NHS regarding distancing: please ask us for a copy if you missed it.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Annual Data Check and Parent Portal</u></p> <p>We have been sending out the annual updates over the last few weeks and wish to say thank you to everyone who has sent the information back in to school.</p> <p>Remember that it is important to keep us up to date with any changes of address or phone number so we can keep in touch. This is easier than ever through the Parent Portal which you can access at: https://www.westlothian.gov.uk/article/44151/parentsportal-scot</p>

Parents evenings

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the online parent's evenings. We did encounter some teething problems which we expected as this system is brand new and we are trialling it for the Council. We really value your support and hopefully everyone who booked an appointment managed to speak to a teacher about your child's progress – if not, we will make sure this happens before the end of term.

We would also like to find out what your experience of Parents' Evening was like: please take a couple of minutes to complete the survey: <https://bit.ly/36nE4IQ>

Holiday dates

For the school, the October holidays start on Monday 12th October and have changed: Monday 19th October is now a holiday and Tuesday 20th October is now an in-service day. Children will return on Wednesday 22nd October.

The nursery will continue to be open throughout the holiday. If you plan for your child to attend, please inform the nursery so we ensure we have sufficient snacks and staff.

Please see the council website for full details of the holiday changes: <https://www.westlothian.gov.uk/schoolholidays>

NHS guidelines

Please just follow the guidance we have and self-isolate / book a test for the following symptoms:

- Persistent cough
- Fever
- Loss of smell or taste

You do not need to isolate for a runny nose or a sore throat. If your child is unwell you would keep them off school as usual and this would be recorded in the same way it always was.

Talking Tuesdays

We really enjoyed speaking to some of you on Tuesday about #chooseRespect and hearing your views on improving the school. Once we have collated the responses we will share this with you.

	<p>We will be out again next Tuesday asking for some feedback on how the first term has gone and what we need to do for you in the future.</p>
<p>Rainbow visits</p>	<p>This week we have had some superstars who have earned a Rainbow Visit for their work:</p> <p>Calum (P4) – for his super writing about Martin Luther King Jnr. and the changes he made in the world</p> <p>Cerys (Willow Class) – for being helpful at Breakfast Club</p> <p>Emma and Ruby (P2) – for producing really detailed drawings to start their writing lessons</p> <p>Miah, Badri and Mariam (P6) – for their wonderful Eifel Tower model</p> <p>Logan, Brooke, Eilidh M and Daisy-May (P5) – for producing some wonderful writing</p>
<p>Key contact details</p>	<p>If you have a query about the school or simply need to ask us something, please email wldedridge-ps@westlothian.org.uk and we will get back to you as soon as possible.</p> <p>You can also keep up to date by downloading our school App – we will soon be moving away from Groupcall and using this <u>App only</u>. Please try to download the App and encourage other members of the Dedridge / Glenvue community to do this also. Over 200 people now use the app regularly, so please sign up if you haven't!</p> <div data-bbox="892 1476 1056 1637" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>Guidance on how to download our School App: https://bit.ly/36q9SwT</p>