

Weekly update

Friday 9th October

Dedridge Primary School / Glenvue Nursery

Message from Mr Todd We have made it to our final week of term and I have to say how proud I am with the resilience of our children: they have come back to an unknown situation after several months away from the building and have carried on as if nothing has changed. It has been lovely to see all the smiley faces around the school. Thank you to all the parents and carers for your support this term: we could not have done it

without you.

And finally, a huge note of appreciation for our staff team who have worked really hard behind the scenes to provide a safe, nurturing environment for the children and offering some wonderful learning experiences.

Have a wonderful break and see you next term.

Nursery news

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/7wKHp9ton9YoBubU?ref=Link

<u>Playground</u>

We have noticed that some families are beginning to ignore the one way system, particularly at the end of the day. Please remember that this is in place for the health and safety of your children and can only remain in place with your support. The gate at Everard Rise is for ENTRY ONLY and the Clement

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Rise is EXIT ONLY, except for those who need access via the ramp.

Holiday dates

We hope everyone enjoys their half-term holiday. School children will return on Wednesday 21st 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 dates:

https://www.westlothian.gov.uk/schoolholidays

NHS guidelines

Please just follow the guidance we have and selfisolate / 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 <u>as usual</u> and this would be recorded in the same way it always was.

What to bring to school

A quick reminder that in order to reduce the risk of transmission from home to school and vice versa, children should only be bringing items to school which are essential for their school day. This would include only pencil cases, snack and a packed lunch. Please do not send children in with toys from home.

School Uniform

In readiness for next term, I'd like to remind parents that our school uniform is an important part of our school identity.

Children can wear red or yellow polo shirts, white shirt and school tie and black trousers or skirt. Pupils may also wear a blue jumper. We offer Resilience Respect Kindness Honesty

	uniform with badges on, but plain uniform is acceptable. Please note that black jumpers are not part of our uniform.
	On PE days pupils may come to school in their PE kit (such as tracksuits). The clothing should be suitable for physical activity – no jeans please. Council policy is that football colours may not be worn in school.
	Information about clothing grants can be found on the Council webpage: https://www.westlothian.gov.uk/mealsandclothing
Rainbow visits	This week we have had some superstars who have earned a Rainbow Visit for their work:
	Carly (Willow Class) – for a wonderful bar graph about school meals
	Freya (Willow Class) – for remembering finger spaces in her writing without being asked
	Hayden (P5) – for presenting a lovely portfolio of literacy work
Key contact details	If you have a query about the school or simply need to ask us something, please email wildedridge-ps@westlothian.org.uk and we will get back to you as soon as possible.
	You can also keep up to date by downloading our school App — we will soon be moving away from Groupcall and using this App only. 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!
	School App for Parents
	Guidance on how to download our School App: https://bit.ly/36q9SwT