



Weekly update

Friday 30th October

Dedridge Primary School / Glenvue Nursery

<p>Message from Mr Todd</p>	<p>It seems incredible that we are at the end of the second week of term already! The children have been fantastic this week and I am amazed at the learning happening in the classrooms and the creativity they are all showing. The children have all dressed up in their Halloween finery today and it was nice to have some fun, even if we can't celebrate in the usual way. I am sure you will agree that a smile in the current times is worth a lot.</p> <p>We had a sharing assembly this morning where the children across the school told the other classes what they had been doing all week. It was the first time we have tried to do this digitally but it was a great success and we are all very proud of their efforts.</p>
<p>Important news</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Nursery news</u></p> <p>We have noticed that it can be a bit crowded at collection times, especially at the end of the morning session. Please remember that you can pick the children up from 12:25pm to ease the congestion. While you are waiting for them to come out, please be patient and maintain social distancing guidelines.</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/bysWX3daKbo2z42c?ref=Link</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>School uniform recycling</u></p> <p>We are hoping to set up our own school uniform bank to support our school community as we know how quickly children grow and how expensive uniform can be. Our intention is to build up a stock of school uniform, winter coats and PE kit which your children have outgrown and then offer it to families who need it.</p> <p>If you have any school uniform which could be reused, please hand it in to the school. Families will be able to request uniform privately through the app which can be sent home discreetly in children's school bags: details of how to request this will follow.</p>

One way system in the playground

To keep everyone safe, please continue to use the one way system. The gate at Everard Rise is for ENTRY ONLY and the Clement Rise is EXIT ONLY, except for those who need access via the ramp. Parents are asked to wear a mask in the playground.

We would also ask parents to minimise their waiting time in the playground and to maintain their distance from others. The guidelines are in place to keep everyone safe, especially your children and your support with this is appreciated.

Please note that Parents/Carers are not permitted in the school without prior arrangement.

School car park

The school car park should only be used by parents dropping children off at the nursery. Please do not access the school playground through the car park as this has the potential to cause serious accidents. Pupils should only access the playground from the gates as per the one way system.

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.

If in doubt, please phone the school.

Self-isolating and working at home

We are only able to provide work for children who have received advice from Trace and Protect or a medical professional (not including quarantine resulting from travel). This may be physical work sent home or via technology links as appropriate to their age.

	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Remembrance Poppies</u></p> <p>Next week in the run up to Remembrance Sunday, pupils will have the opportunity to make a donation in class for a poppy.</p> <p>Please pop any donation you wish to give in an envelope and send it in with your child for them to receive a poppy.</p>
<p>Tweet of the Week</p>	<p>Many of our staff use Twitter to share some of the fabulous learning that goes on in our school. Every week I will try to find some of my favourites and share them with you. This week it is the creepy faces from Miss Young and Primary 2. You can follow the school account by searching @dedridgeps</p> <div data-bbox="611 734 1283 1189" style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 10px; margin: 10px 0;">  <p>Sarah Young @MissYoungDPS · 5h P2 enjoyed using the MSQRD app on the ipad today. They started off using the witch filter to record some witch's brews. They then experimented with some other halloween filters. What do you think of our scary photopgraphs? @dedridgeps #dedridgedoesdigital</p> </div>
<p>Rainbow visits</p>	<p>This week we have had some superstars who have earned a Rainbow Visit for their work:</p> <p>Bhavisa in P5 – for producing an really interesting Sway all about sharks</p> <p>Sophie, Jay, Gemma, Ben and Erin (all P7) and Chloe, Miah, William and Brandon (all P6) – for building model wheelbarrows out of wood</p> <p>Shorrie and Brooke (P7) – for completing tasks to a very high standard and showing perseverance and motivation</p> <p>Lucy and Scott (P5) – for completing their challenges in maths</p> <p>Everyone in Rowan class for arranging out Halloween art competition.</p>

Key contact details	<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 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!</p> <div data-bbox="863 584 1031 741" data-label="Image">The logo for the 'School App for Parents' is a square with a green background. The text 'School App for Parents' is written in white and yellow. 'School' and 'App for' are in white, while 'Parents' is in yellow.</div> <p><i>Guidance on how to download our School App:</i> https://bit.ly/36q9SwT</p>
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