



### **Weekly update**

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November**

### **Dedridge Primary School / Glenvue Nursery**

<p><b>Message from Mr Todd</b></p>	<p>It has been a bit quieter in school this week with no one coming to school in their pyjamas! But we have enjoyed lots of different experiences across the school and outdoors.</p> <p>It has been lovely to see the nursery children playing outdoors and trying out new things – even if you haven't got children in the nursery I'd encourage you to click the link below.</p>
<p><b>Important news</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Nursery news</u></b></p> <p>The nursery children have been working in different groups this week as we have moved into Level 4. The children will simply be grouped slightly differently, but you won't notice any differences around drop off and collection. Inside the nursery and outdoors the children will still have access to all the same great activities as normal.</p> <p>We have also seen a bigger uptake in registering with iPay to help speed up the lunch ordering, so please continue to use this.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Christmas Activities</u></b></p> <p>If you haven't done so already, please pay £3 per child / £5 per family to enable us to offer exciting activities for the children as we would normally do. We are trying to make Christmas as exciting as possible for the children within the restrictions.</p> <p>We are still confirming some sections of the Christmas Activity Calendar, but we have definite dates for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas lunch</li> <li>- Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children</li> <li>- Week commencing 14<sup>th</sup> December – Pantomime</li> <li>- Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December – Virtual Whole School Fun afternoon</li> <li>- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Breakfast with Santa</li> </ul>

**Breakfast with Santa**

This is our annual event at breakfast club where Santa pays a visit to the children and leaves them a present. All children are welcome, but we ask for a contribution of £1 towards the cost of the gift. Payment for the event must be made by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December and should be brought to breakfast club with the slip in the attached letter.

**Dogs**

Please remember that dogs are not allowed on the playground, either on a lead or carried. We would also ask that if you are waiting for children at the gates with a dog that you stand back from the gate to allow children and families to pass. We know that the one way system does make it more difficult, but our staff will bring the younger children within sight of the Cedric Rise gate at the end of the day for you to meet them there.

You may know that your dog normally behaves, but some of our children do not and may be scared. Thank you for your understanding.

**Late arrival**

We have noticed that a growing number of children are arriving late and entering through the front door. Please ensure that children are in school before 8:45am and enter through the playground entrance. The doors to school are open from 8:30am and the breakfast club is open from 8:10am.


**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.

<b>Tweet of the Week</b>	<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.</p> <p>This week we can see some of the lovely work Primary 5 have been doing to help boost Health and Wellbeing: our mental and emotional health is really important at the moment and what better way to show someone you care than by sending them a positive message?</p> <p>You can follow the school account by searching @dedridgeps</p> <div data-bbox="758 663 1133 1142">  <p>Louise Sellar @MissSellar</p> <p>We created 'happy post' to send to a member of our family, with a positive message under the umbrella flap 💖 Kindness goes a long way, especially just now! @dedridgeps</p> </div>
<b>Rainbow visits and Hot Chocolate Friday</b>	<p>This week we have had some superstars who have earned a Rainbow Visit for their work:</p> <p>Kayden (P5) produced a wonderful piece of written work all about their class novel. I was blown away by the attention to detail he had used.</p> <p>Victoria and Sienna (P2) had produced wonderfully detailed instructions for making perfume.</p> <p>Momina (P4) learned how to identify the main information in a text and use it to summarise the main points.</p> <p>Ryan, Millie and Ruby (P2) completed a task which required them to listen to very detailed instructions.</p> <p>Our Hot Chocolate Friday nominees all demonstrated one of the school values at some point this week, either in class or around the school and playground.</p> <p>Kindness: Leia (P4), Lily (C5), Beth (P3)</p> <p>Honesty: Brooke (P5)</p>

	<p>Respect: Evie (P1), Ben (P7)</p> <p>Resilience: Emma (P2), Noah (P6)</p>
<b>Key contact details</b>	<p>If you have a query about the school or simply need to ask us something, please email <a href="mailto:wldedridge-ps@westlothian.org.uk">wldedridge-ps@westlothian.org.uk</a> 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="858 815 1024 976">The logo for the 'School App for Parents' is a green rounded square with the text 'School App for Parents' 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> <a href="https://bit.ly/36q9SwT">https://bit.ly/36q9SwT</a></p>