

CANISBAY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER no. 5

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www.canisbayprimary.wordpress.com Adverse Weather Line - 0800 564 2272 (Pin 04 1620) School office emails – <u>canisbay.primary@highland.gov.uk</u> Caroline.steven@highland.gov.uk We are a nut free school.

Dear Families,

Parent Appointments for P1-7

Please remember your bookings made for parent appointments on Tuesday – I sent out a reminder from the system itself as well. If appointments are not attended, they can only be rearranged in exceptional circumstances as this is a dedicated time for appointments.

P1 enrolment - online this week!

If your child will be five years of age on. or before, 28 February 2023, they are eligible to enrol for Primary 1. All the information and forms you need for enrolment are available at

https://www.highland.gov.uk/info/878/schools/887/enrol your child for school

At this link, you will find the form as well as enrolment guidance, transport form and information, school catchment maps, placing request for a different school, free school meals and clothing allowance, etc. If you do not have access to do this online please ask for a paper enrolment pack from school. After enrolment, we will be in touch about more specific information about Canisbay School and also to verify the original birth certificates and proof of address documents if you were unable to upload these. Our school handbook is available in the parent section of our website <u>https://canisbayprimary.wordpress.com/parent-section/</u> If you wish to discuss your child's enrolment or the possibility of deferring the P1 start, please get in touch.

ELC enrolment online – week of the 14th February

Children born between 1 March 2018 and 28 February 2020 are entitled to a funded Early Learning and Childcare place. Please enrol your child during the week above for a place in ELC (nursery). https://www.highland.gov.uk/info/899/schools - grants and benefits/21/early learning and childcare

<u>P7 to S1</u>

A letter will automatically be issued giving a place at Wick High School for your child (as long as you are in the catchment area for this school). However, you must complete a transport application online or ask for a paper copy from school. This <u>must be</u> completed before the end of February if you wish to use school transport for High School. <u>https://www.highland.gov.uk/info/878/schools/12/school transport</u>

If you need further information about any aspect of enrolment for P1, ELC or High School please get in touch with myself or Mrs Steven.

Adverse Weather

Our messaging line number is at the top of every newsletter. This is a number where you can listen to a message that I have recorded for you. The same guidance applies, as previously, and information is in the school and nursery brochures, which are both available on our website. https://canisbayprimary.wordpress.com/parent-section/ The adverse weather line remains the first thing I update, followed by the Highland Council who then update their Facebook page and website http://www.highland.gov.uk/schoolclosures. This also links in to MFR being updated. I will also then try to email all families on the normal contact list for newsletters.

I try to make the decision as early as possible but in order to try my best to remain open, sometimes this is later than I would like. It really depends on the conditions and the forecasts and also any information that I receive during that time.

Even if school is open, please follow this advice.

'It is the responsibility of parents or carers to decide if a pupil should attempt to travel to school, by transport or on foot, in adverse weather conditions. The Council encourages full attendance at school but in severe weather conditions the safety of pupils is much more important.'

Closing or keeping the school open is not an easy decision to make, so please understand that as the day moves on it may be the totally wrong decision either way.

Bed Poverty Information

The Revenues & Business Support section has funding to provide new beds, bedroom furniture, etc. to vulnerable families to ease exceptional pressure. Colleagues can make referrals to the Council's Welfare Support Team by emailing Welfare Support using internal email. Once consent has been received from the family/carers, then a

brief email to the Welfare Support Team detailing a contact name for the family/carers, telephone/mobile number and details of the items needed, are sufficient for us. Colleagues don't need to identify all items needed as the Welfare Support Team will discuss the full circumstances with the families/carers and will check which essential items are needed.

Since April 2021, we have already provided 740 beds, 568 items of bedroom furniture, and other related items. All beds are new and are delivered to the families' homes by our local supplier.

Families can apply directly at https://www.highland.gov.uk/directory_record/20775/social_welfare_fund_or can email welfare.support@highland.gov.uk

Positive Relationships Questionnaire – Collated Results P4 -7 children (Nov 21)

	Question	Total	Yes	%	No	Notes
1	Do you feel safe in school?	24	23	96%	1	Not explained
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2	Do you know what to do if you do not feel safe in school?	24	22	0.20/	1	1 no onswor
2		24	22	92%	1	1 - no answer
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	*Bullying can be done in lots of different ways but it can make you feel helpless, frightened, worried,					
	etc. *This					
	would be a person or people making you feel this way a lot of times, not just once or twice.					
	*Bullying is when people want to make you feel that way and keep doing it to you.					
	Is there bullying in Canisbay School at the					
3	moment?	24	1	4%	23	Yes answer - a little
4	Have you been bullied in this school year?	24	0	0%	24	Followed up
	Have you taken part in bullying in <u>this</u>					
5	school year?	24	0	0%	22	2 - no answer
	If you reported that a friend was being					
	bullied, do you feel that this would be					
6	sorted out by the school and its staff?	24	23	96%	1	
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	If you answered no can you explain why?	Not explained				
	Extra question for NOV 21 - In class, do					
	you have a way of communicating to the					
7	teacher how you feel every day?	24	24	100%	0	
	Follow up					
	I will speak to the child who reported a little bit of bullying to get details					

Thank you R Moodie Headteacher **Canisbay School** Additional Contact Details - Mrs Moodie, Headteacher, Castletown 01847 821256 I can be contacted in either school at any time. I plan to be Tuesday and Thursday in Canisbay, Monday and Wednesday in Castletown and Friday can vary.

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