



# The Lorne Phoenix

September 2019

We have had a fantastic start to this school session. There has been a range of learning around various countries and a focus on the value diversity, culminating in a diversity event.

If you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact school to arrange an appointment.

Susan Leach

## Vision and Values

Vision –

Lorne Primary School aims to provide high quality learning and teaching in a safe and nurturing environment, leading to success for all.

Values –

Diversity  
Equality  
Achievement  
Respect

## Science Ceilidh

All learners across Primary 1 to Primary 7 had the opportunity to participate in workshops run by Science Ceilidh. The learners enjoyed listening to the music and learning a number of dances. Many children came along to share these at the Ceilidh Celebration of Culture.

## Ceilidh Celebration of Culture

We celebrated our diverse community on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September with a Ceilidh Celebration of Culture event. We danced, ate food from around the world and met with community groups. It was great to see so many members of our local community. Thank you to everyone who came along.

And, a huge thank you to Lorne Parent Council (@wearelorne) for organising such a successful event.

## House Captain Elections

We are very proud of each and every Primary 7 pupil who ran to be a House or Vice Captain. Each candidate demonstrated that they were a Confident Individual and Successful Learner.

We have elected the following candidates;

### Balfour

Abisha (Captain) and Anuska (Vice Captain)

### Dalmeny

Nabiha (Captain) and Aizah (Vice Captain)

### Halmyre

Madi (Captain) and Lucy (Vice Captain)

## Jameson

Nicole (Captain) and Zara (Vice Captain)

House and Vice Captains have already led their first assembly, focussing on Pupil Voice and gathering the views of all learners.

## Rules

The rules at Lorne are;

- Ready
- Respectful
- Safe

The rules are easy to remember and contribute to the ethos of the school. We regularly revisit what it means to be Ready, Respectful and Safe in and around school and there is a poster competition running from next week with House Captains and Vice Captains selecting the winners for each of the rules.

## Babies!

We are delighted to let you know that;

- Mrs Anderson had a baby boy on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August, he is called Hugo. Mrs Anderson is currently getting used to life with 3 boys!
- Mrs Whitten had a baby girl on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September. Mummy and Maisie are both doing well.

## Maths Week Scotland

Maths Week Scotland runs from Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October and teachers have been working hard to plan and prepare a range of Maths and Numeracy activities for the learners to engage with over the week.

There will be a sharing learning on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October between 12pm and 1.30pm in the gym hall.

## Arriving/Collecting

Please remember that the playground is unsupervised in the morning before school. The teachers will arrive on the playground to collect children at 8.55am.

At the end of the school day, the Primary 1 and 2 children should be collected on the front playground at 2.55pm. Primary 3 children should be collected at 3.20pm. Primary 4-7 children are dismissed at 3.20pm. Please ensure that your child is aware of arrangements for collection or making their way home (P4-7).

## Meet the Teacher/Primary 1 Curriculum Evening

Thank you to all families that came along to our Meet the Teacher event and Primary 1 Curriculum evenings. It

was an opportunity for families to hear about what children will be experiencing at Lorne this school session and the developments that have been identified to progress over the session.

### **Nursery**

Learners in the nursery have been enjoying participating in the Daily Mile, visiting the care home and are now accessing the back playground more. Gail the 'toothbrush lady' and Marvin the Monkey also visited the nursery to show the learners all how to brush their teeth through song!

### **Glee Club**

Miss Haig is running a Primary 4-7 Glee Club on Tuesday from 3.30pm to 4.15pm. Ask the office for more information if your child would like to go along.

### **Parent Council**

The next Parent Council Meeting will be on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October at 6.30pm in the Primary 7 classroom. The Parent Council organise school events, support the school with fundraising and explore school improvement with staff. Your help is greatly appreciated.

The Parent Council meetings are child friendly, children can be brought along and watch a movie in a classroom. We look forward to seeing you there!

### **Halloween Disco**

Our Parent Council are organising our annual Halloween disco. The disco will be on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October. Please put the date in your diary and look out for letters coming home in bags soon!

### **Building Resilience**

Our learners have been focussing on learning about 'the river of life' and the ups and downs that we might face along the way. They are looking forward to sharing learning with family through an assembly on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November. More details to follow.

### **Parking Outside of School**

Please can you ensure that you park safely around school if you are driving to drop off/pick up. Neighbours are reporting double parking and cars being left running. It is important that all learners are safe coming and going from Lorne and we appreciate your support with this.

### **Head Lice**

Please ensure that you are checking your child's hair regularly and treating this if found.

### **School Uniform**

Having pride in being a Lorne learner is an important part of our school and it is great to see so many of our

children in their school uniforms. **All children should wear school uniform Monday to Friday.** Jumpers, cardigans, fleeces, white polo t-shirts all with the Lorne Primary School badge and house gym t-shirts can all be purchased online at;

[www.superlogo.co.uk/shops/schools/lorne-primary-school-edinburgh](http://www.superlogo.co.uk/shops/schools/lorne-primary-school-edinburgh)

### **Twitter**

Lorne Primary School is on Twitter. We can be found @LorneSchool. On Twitter you can find out about exciting things that are happening in school, we are also trying to ensure that important dates and events are shared too.

### **Attendance/Lateness**

We are closely monitoring attendance and lateness and will do this over the session. A reminder that if your child is late to school, please sign them into school at the front entrance.

### **Parent Pay**

We are absolutely thrilled with the number of families that are now using ParentPay. Meals should be booked via ParentPay. Please come to school if you would like further assistance with this.

### **School Calendar**

All term dates and times can be found on this link;  
<http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/info/20074/schools/20/term-dates>

#### **Calendar كينلتر**

#### **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October**

Maths Week Scotland

#### **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October**

Parent Consultations

#### **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October**

Parent Consultations

#### **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October**

Parent Council Meeting – 6.30-7.30pm

#### **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October**

Primary 7 Class Assembly at 9am – Primary 7 families welcome

#### **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October**

October holiday

#### **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October**

All learners resume

#### **Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October**

Halloween Disco

#### **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November**

Building Resilience sharing assembly – families welcome (information to follow)

#### **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November**

Parent Council Meeting – 6.30-7.30pm