

**PUPIL ATTENDANCE AND LATENESS -
ENHANCED BREAKFAST CLUB AND WALKING BUS**

Govan Help continue to coordinate our **Healthy Mornings project**. in conjunction with St Saviour's Primary school, have a very successful **Healthy Mornings Project** operating in the Govan Road Campus.

This includes an enhanced breakfast club and walking bus service to support children getting to school on time every day and to provide exciting activities before the school day.

Attendance for many of our pupils improved last year as a result of this initiative. Please contact us if you want to find out more about this or better still if you are interested in getting involved!

FREE SCHOOL DINNERS AND CLOTHING GRANTS

Your child/ren may well qualify for free School dinners and a clothing grant. You can apply for these grants online but if you are having difficulty you can collect a form from the school office. As with last year **all pupils P1 to P4 will qualify for a free dinner** but you will still need to apply for clothing grants and free breakfasts.

School dinners cost **£1.90** this term.

This continues to be very good value with a great variety and selection of healthy options.

MEET THE TEACHER DROP INS

We would like to invite you to our **Meet the teacher Drop In on Tuesday 3rd September at 2.30pm** where you can **meet your child's teacher and see around their new class.**

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

We encourage our pupils to wear uniform at all times. Please ask for an order form from the office. In addition to ordering new uniforms, last year we have established links with a recycling scheme, which means we have access to great value recycled uniforms. Ms Lyall manages this, so please ask her to help you with this if you are interested.

PARENT COUNCIL

Our first Parent Council meeting will be held on **Tuesday 24th September at 2.00pm**. I would like to welcome anyone who is interested to come along. This is an opportunity to ask about anything related to our school but also to put forward your own ideas on how you would like the school to best support your child.

BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Some parents have asked if they can bring in cakes/drinks for classes to share at the time of their child's birthday. Although we like to celebrate birthdays this is not practical for us for various reasons, and I would ask that birthday cakes are kept to share at home!



School APP

All of our letters and regular information and updates are added to our school APP. This can be downloaded to your phone very quickly. A leaflet explaining how to download this is available from the school office.



I would like to thank you for your continuing support and look forward to seeing you throughout the year!

L Brimelow, Headteacher, Riverside Primary School.



**Riverside Primary
August 2019**



Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you all had a relaxing summer break. This is our 10th year as a school are planning a celebration for our first decade later on in the year. Watch this space!

NEW TERM NEWS

We have yet again enjoyed welcoming our new P1 pupils and also to see familiar faces back for another school year.

This year we are very pleased to welcome Mr Daniel McDade to P6/5, Ms Aimee Lamont to P4/3 and Ms Florence Davies to P2 as class teachers.

The term has got off to a great start! The classes are already thinking about their classroom contracts and are preparing for our Pupil Council elections. Each of the houses has a new Primary 6 Vice House captain and our school garden is full of vegetables ready to be harvested by a new Eco committee. The Primary 7 class are about to go off on their residential very early this year to Blairvadach outdoor education centre. We look forward to hearing about their adventures!

SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES

Mrs Lyall will again this year be working out of the Nurture class. She will continue to support children across all classes in the school but will also be our 'link contact person' between families and our school. You can contact Mrs Lyall via the school office or speak to her in the playground before school. She has a **drop-in** session on Tuesday mornings. In the first instance she will be contacting all the P1 parents to welcome them to our school.

Other information for all parent carers about ways in which you can help your child throughout the year

At the start of each new school year we like to remind parents and carers of some of the ways they can help both staff and pupils at Riverside Primary School.

I apologise if you have read this all before but it is important to us!

TUCK FOR BREAKTIMES

We ask pupils to bring a water bottle to school which can be filled at any time. Also, if pupils bring tuck they are asked to bring a healthy snack such as **fruit or crisps**, one item should be sufficient! Sweets and chocolate to be left at home please!



PE KIT AND SCHOOL BAG

Please also provide a T-shirt and shorts/jogging trousers which your child can **keep in school at all times**. We will send home at regular intervals for them to be washed.

During wet weather your child will need to change their shoes and will use their PE shoes for wearing inside.

We also ask you to make sure your child has a school bag and that you **check the bag regularly** for any letters or homework that needs completing.

DOGS IN THE PLAYGROUND

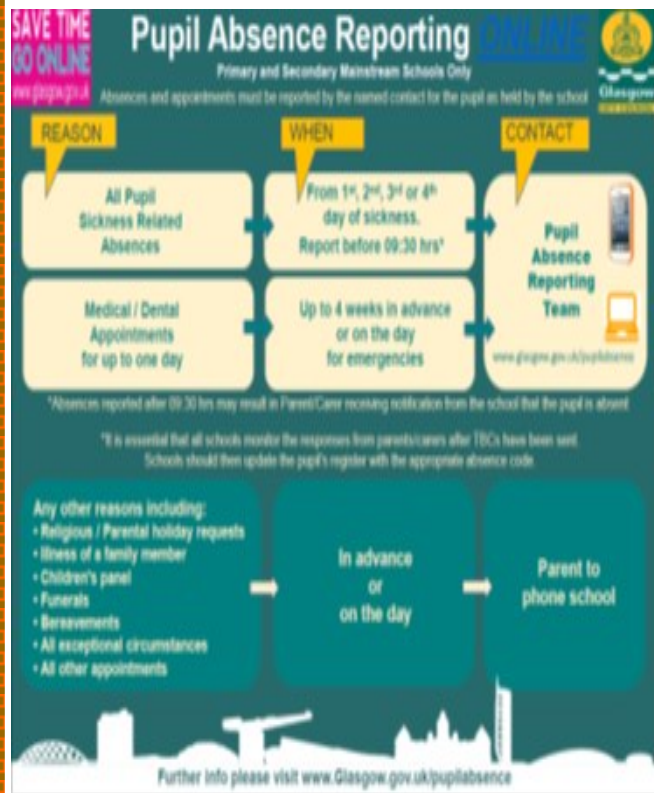
Dogs are not allowed on the campus, this includes carrying dogs in your arms/bags etc.,. This is Glasgow City Council policy - please leave them at home!

ATTENDANCE AND TIMEKEEPING

Please make sure your child is ready to get into line at **9.00am** when the bell goes every morning. We monitor attendance very closely and the best attending class will get a treat at the end of each term. If your child is regularly late we will contact you to request a meeting with you. If a child arrives at school **after 9.15am** they need to enter via the main door entrance and sign the late book.

If your child is not well please phone 0141 287 0039 or use the newly introduced process explained below.

Report absence online: you can do this by visiting <https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/pupilabsence>



Key Dates for your diaries this term

Please note additional **INSET day!**

Mon 2nd - Fri 6th September

- **P7 residential**

Tues 3rd Sept- 2.30pm

Meet the teacher Drop-ins
(except P6/5 and P7)

Fri 27th - Mon 30th

September Holiday weekend

Fri 11th Oct

INSET day 3 (school closed to pupils)

Mon 14th-Fri 18th October inc

Holiday

Fri 29th Nov - Additional INSET day

(school closed to pupils)

Thurs 20th Dec -

School closes at 2.30pm

PARENTS IN THE PLAYGROUND

We like to be a welcoming school and currently allow parents into the playground. However due to the amount of bodies at busy times, we require parents and carers to **stay well back from the class lines and the entrance/exit doors before and after school to allow children to move into school with their classes.**

If you need to pass on information or speak with a member of staff, please **come round to the front entrance** and speak to one of the clerical staff or ask for an appointment to speak with myself or other member of staff. We will make every effort to speak with you as quickly as possible.