

# Carnagill Community Primary School Newsletter



**We never judge a book by its cover**

Dear Parents

Welcome back to a new school year at Carnagill Primary School. The children have settled into their new classes this week and have been enjoying some great learning opportunities.

You will have received our recent OFSTED report this week which states that our school has been judged as inadequate and placed in special measures. I want to reassure you all that since the inspection in June, many changes have already taken place with more rapid changes expected over the next few weeks in terms of teaching, learning and assessment. The inspector also acknowledged in her report that as the Headteacher of the school I have clear plans in place to aid this rapid improvement. You will have already seen the fantastic changes to our Foundation Stage environments (in the classrooms and the Nursery Garden). Our Teaching Assistants have already begun working on personalised programs to accelerate progress for children.

Key areas of school development work are;

- Development of the assessment and tracking systems the teachers use and how this informs what they teach the children
- Improving the quality of teaching and learning, particularly in English and Maths through appropriate staff training
- Ensuring Teaching Assistants are used effectively to support children in class during the morning and during intervention/catch up time in the afternoons
- Developing the leadership of the school to ensure that all leaders, not just the Headteacher are involved in developing the school and monitoring the school's performance.
- Improving the FS1 and FS2 classroom environments and ensuring that all children are challenged by the activities and resources provided.

In terms of leadership of the school, key changes have already taken place. Mrs Fiona Shaw has been appointed by the school as deputy Headteacher to support me in the rapid improvement of the school. She will teach alongside Mrs Bullock in Year 6 and take on lead roles in the development of Assessment and English teaching and learning. She is an excellent teacher who will be a great asset to our leadership team. Mrs Rebecca Wigham has also become the school SENCO and will be working hard to ensure improved provision and monitoring of those children with special educational needs. These are key changes to the structure of the school and the leadership.

I look forward to continuing to work with you to make Carnagill School a place where all children achieve and flourish as individuals in the learning and personal development.

Many thanks for your continued support

Louise Newport  
Headteacher

Headteacher—Mrs Louise Newport

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## PE

PE is a very important part of the curriculum. Please ensure that your child brings their full PE kit into school on Monday morning. It should stay in school for the whole week as we sometimes have to change the PE timetable on occasions.

## Uniform

Our school uniform is black/grey trousers/skirts or blue and white checked dresses, navy sweatshirt/cardigan (available to order direct from [moette.co.uk](http://moette.co.uk) – link available on our website) and white shirt/polo shirt with black school shoes, **no trainers**.

## Contact Details

If any of your personal details change at all i.e. mobile phone numbers etc. please inform Mrs Bell or Mrs Ayre in the office. This is vital information we require in case of emergencies.

## Mrs Barker

Unfortunately, Mrs Barker has been unable to return to school this week. I will keep you informed once I have a return date for her. During this time, Mrs Wigham will continue to teach the class and be your point of contact.

## Mornings and Afternoons

The gates will open at 8.45am each morning. Children are the responsibility of their parents until the school doors open. Doors will open at 8.50am. Mrs Pattinson's and Miss McNichol's children are to be dropped off at the playground door from Monday onwards.

Each afternoon gates will open at 3.10pm and we will try to get the children out to you as soon as possible. There is some over crowding around the doors at home time and it is sometimes difficult for children and staff to see who is collecting them. As we have new Reception children and parents, can we politely ask that KS2 parents wait further back from the doors.

## Friends of the School

If you would like to be involved in fundraising for the school, please come along to a short meeting on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 2.30pm in Poppies. We look forward to seeing you then.

## Diary Dates

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| Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> September    | 3.30pm  | Year 2 SATs meeting for parents         |
| Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> September | 2.30pm  | Friends of the School Meeting (Poppies) |
| Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October     | 3.30pm  | Parents Evening                         |
| Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> October   | 3.30pm  | Parents Evening                         |
| Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> October   | 10.15am | Harvest Festival (School Hall)          |
| Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> November   | 9am     | Individual School Photographs           |

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