# Kírkhíll Nursery & Prímary School

'Playing, Learning & Growing Together'



# September Update

We have had a very busy start to the new school session with a lot going on in school. It has been great to see all of the children back in school, eager to learn and work hard in each of their classes. There are lots of dates for your diary for September with continued Sharing Our Learning events and our annual Meet the Teacher afternoon and evening. We hope that the following gives you information on some of the activities coming up in September.

# Acting Head Teacher

As Miss Henderson will be leaving us on Friday 14th September 2018, Mrs Shankland will take up post as Acting Head Teacher until a new permanent head teacher can be appointed following recruitment processes.

# **PSCAGM**

Our PSC Annual General Meeting (AGM) will take place on Wednesday 5th September 2017 at 6pm in the school. All parents are members of the Parent Forum and are invited to attend any of the meetings throughout the year. At the AGM office bearers will be appointed along with class representatives for Nursery to Primary 7. If you are interested in helping the PSC with any of their activities then they would be most grateful for your support.

# Welcome



We welcomed three new members of staff to our teaching team at the start of this session: Mrs Dunse (Primary 2) Miss Duncan (Primary 3) Mr Gordon (Primary 5) They are settling in well to the Kirkhill Community

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# Early Years Play Hut

We would like to say a huge thank you to the PSC and members of the Broxburn Woodcraft Club for the new play hut in the early years playground. This was officially opened by our Head Boy and Head Girl on the first day of the new term and is already being well used by children.





17th Sept—HOLIDAY

18th Sept—INSET Day 2

21st Sept—11am-12pm—Sharing our Learning (P2-7)

24th Sept—P1 The Courier to take P1 class photos

28th Sept—9.15am—P7 Assembly

28th Sept—Dress Down Day

#### Sharing Our Learning

This session we will continue with our Sharing Our Learning events as part of our Family Learning activities. Our first Sharing Our Learning event will take place on Friday 21st September 2018 from 11am-12pm for all P2-P7 parents/ carers. Information on these events will be shared prior to the first event.



#### Broxburn Gala Day

Broxburn Gala Day was another great success for Kirkhill with our float winning 3rd place overall with our Mardi Gras theme. It was great to see so many of our children and families joining the float in the parade and to see so many of our families cheering us on along the way. Many thanks go to the members of the PSC for all of their hard work and commitment in making the float such a resounding success.



## Scottish Maths Week



Scottish Maths Week begins on 10th September 2018 and our class teachers will be making plans to celebrate maths and numeracy learning in their classrooms during this week.

### Meet the Teacher

Meet the Teacher will take place on Thursday 13th September 2018 at both 2.15pm-3.15pm and 6pm-7pm. This is an opportunity for you to meet your child's new class teacher, find out about plans for learning during the session, learn some relevant information about your child's class and visit your child's class. It would be great to see as many of our parents/carers at one of the session's so that you can share in your child's learning journey.



### New Photograph Permissions Form

We would be grateful if all of the new photography permission forms could be returned to the nursery/school as soon as possible so that all staff members are aware of the children who do not have permissions for any of the three aspects contained in the form. The form (pink) was sent home last week via bag mail. If this has not made its way home then please contact the school office who will arrange to have another copy sent home to you.

### A Message from Miss Henderson

It is with mixed emotions that I send my final message to all of our families, friends and community partners after an amazing three years at Kirkhill. I have thoroughly enjoyed every moment of my time as head teacher of such a fantastic learning community. I am very excited to be taking the next step on my leadership journey but will always have very fond memories of my time at Kirkhill and will miss all of your



children greatly. I would like to thank each and every one of you for the support you have given to me as head teacher and to the whole school team during the last three years as without you we wouldn't have been able to give our children the very best opportunities in learning as we have been able to. I know that you will all be as great a support to the new head teacher and I look forward to continuing to hear about how well you are all doing.

With all of my very best wishes,

Lesley Henderson

