

Transition Visits

Each year group from the three schools will be involved in transition events at Elderbank to allow all the pupils to get to know each other.

These will take place on –

Primary 1 and 2- Monday 2nd June (p.m.)

Primary 3- Thursday 5th June (p.m.)

Primary 4- Wednesday 4th June (a.m.)

Primary 5 – Thursday 29th May (p.m.)

Primary 6 – Wednesday 28th May (p.m.)

Primary 7 – Tuesday 27th May (p.m.)



Move Up Day

The pupils in the **current Primary 1 to 6** and *pupils moving from other schools* will get a chance to meet the pupils who will be in their class in August and also meet their new teacher on Monday 16th June from 1.30p.m. – 2.30p.m.

Class Structure

A lot of consideration will be given to how the classes will be constructed in Elderbank. Current staff have provided detailed information relating to the children in their current class. I will be working with the Principal Teachers from the three schools to construct the classes. We will also attempt to ensure there is a balance of pupils from the three amalgamating schools. In addition we will ensure there is at least one child from the list of four your child was asked to name as peers they would like to be in their class.

Interim Parent Council

The Interim Parent Council continues to work hard and support the transition to Elderbank. A draft constitution for the new Elderbank Primary Parent Council has been posted on the Elderbank Website.

The Parent Council will also be involved in the selection of the new Depute Head Teachers, and the interviews will take place on the 22nd May.

Additional Support Needs Provision

Elderbank will be a truly inclusive school and this is reflected in our, vision, values and aims. An integral part of the school is a high quality hearing impairment provision which caters for learners from across Ayrshire. In addition learners with moderate learning difficulties will be members of the Elderbank school community from August 2014. At the heart of the school there is a supported learning base.

Parental Visits to Elderbank

Parents have enquired about seeing around Elderbank. There are planned visits for a small number of specific groups this session. As our priority is to familiarise the pupils with the new school an open event for parents will not take place until the new session. We will endeavour to have this as soon in the new term as is possible. This we feel will be more appropriate as your child will be able to show you where they are being taught and the facilities they are enjoying.

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Building Update

The school is scheduled to be finished in May 2014. This will allow the staff and pupils to visit the school before the new session in August.

School Badge and Motto

The school badge was designed by Abbie from Fencedyke Primary and the final design was unveiled on Tuesday 1st April 2014. The motto 'Dare to be Excellent' was the winning entry from Kenzie of Towerlands Primary. We have many talented children.

Abbie will be visiting Gilmour Sports on Friday 25th April to see her design embroidered onto the first school uniform which will be given to her.

Well Done



Abbie and Kenzie

School Uniform

Uniform Orders should be completed and returned with payment to your child's school by Monday the 19th May. If your child needs to try on a uniform to check for size, samples are available at each of the three school offices. Please do not hesitate to arrange this with staff, who will be happy to help.

Elderbank Website

To keep everyone informed with current information about Elderbank I have developed a school website. This website will have copies of all letters issued along with up to date photographs. In addition to the current website permission slips you have already completed in your child's school, please return the Elderbank slips issued to your child. A separate return is required from each child.

You can access the website at

www.elderbankprimaryandearlyyears.btck.co.uk

