It has been a very busy start to the school year; the children in Nursery and school classes have been working hard and achieving success. We have also had very positive feedback about how our pupils have settled into High School.

**Safe Travel to School**
A reminder - In order to help ensure the safety of our children please use Park and Stride designated places at Sainsburys and Cowden Pavillion and do not drop-off or pick up within the Thornybank Estate.

A map of routes to school is shown below. The green route is our priority route as it is gritted in the Winter months. Any vehicles parking in an unsafe manner within Thornycrook ie. on the keep clear signs, can be reported to the Police by sending an email to, DalkeithCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk.

Mobile phone photographs (car and registration plate only please), are welcome. The Police will then write to the registered keeper of the vehicle and enclose a copy of our Junior Road Safety Officer leaflet.

*Please note, Police can only take action if the car is parked in an unsafe manner.*

**Parent Partnership**
The Parent Partnership AGM was held on Wednesday 12th September. There was a fantastic turnout including many new faces. The following office bearers were appointed for the coming academic year. The minutes can be found on the school website and school app. Please come along to our next meeting on Wednesday 7th November at 6.45pm.

Chair – Jaclyn Morrant  
Vice-Chair – Laura Saunders  
Treasurer – Gillian Taylor  
Secretary – Helen Laidlaw

The Parent Partnership has also started a Public Facebook Page, this is for passing on information only and will compliment the school website and app. On Facebook, search for ‘Woodburn Primary School Parent Partnership Page’.

**Parent Partnership P1/2 Film Night**
Unfortunately, due to severe weather, this event was postponed. We are currently in the process of arranging a new date and will advise you of this as soon as possible.

**Parent Partnership Monster Mash**
The Parent Partnership have arranged our traditional ‘Monster Mash’ which will be held on Friday 26th October. As last year, it will be held in Dalkeith High School, look out for more information coming soon.

**Wet Mornings**
When the weather is very wet we are happy to bring the children into the school building from 8.40am when they can be supervised by senior management. Please try to send them to school as close to this time as possible as any earlier there will not be staff available.

**Breakfast Club**
The Breakfast Club is available at no cost for any child who is a free school meal. They can have toast, cereal and a drink. For non free school meals the cost is 80p per day. If you would like your child to attend please contact the school or mention it to your child’s teacher at Parent Consultations.
Sharing our Learning Journey – Woodburn App
Our app is live in the Apple and Google Play Stores. You can keep in touch with our events, news and receive important messages from us.

To download the app, scan the QR code or search ‘PSA’ or ‘PSA primaryschoolapp’ in the Apple or Google Play app stores. Once you’ve opened the app, just search for ‘Woodburn Primary School’ to see our latest events, news and messages.

Nursery Plea – Dressing Up Clothes
The Nursery is in the process of developing their music area and having consulted with the children, they would love to add to the dressing up! They would greatly appreciate donations of any of the following items; hats, chiffon scarves, leotards/tutus, party dresses (adults and children), waistcoats, blazers, multicultural clothing and any other dance related clothing. Thank you!

Primary 7 House Captains
It has been a very exciting start to the new academic year with the appointment of our new House Captains and Vice Captains. All candidates worked hard to secure votes by creating manifestos and delivering a short speech to their Houses. We are very proud of all pupils who put themselves forward for House Captains, demonstrating all of their learning skills whilst showing self confidence. After a whole school vote, we would like to say congratulations to the winning candidates:

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These children will act as role models to all children within Woodburn Primary School working hard to positively encourage every member of their house team to follow the school rules and promote our school values. The children will have the chance to take on different responsibilities such as developing the House Points system, attending and organising different events, showing visitors around our school and managing the house points system by counting points on a weekly basis.