



## BURNBRAE UPDATE | FOR PARENTS AND CARERS AUGUST 2020

### WELCOME FROM OUR NEW HEAD TEACHER LINDA CLARKSON



I want to say how delighted and honoured I am to be the new head teacher of Burnbrae Primary School.

I'm really looking forward to the new term and to working in partnership with you and the whole learning community to ensure all our children become confident and independent young people who thrive on challenge and are motivated to learn.

I am settling in well.

I have been recruiting additional teachers and learning assistants to complement our staff team and the new joint campus is nearing completion, so there's a real sense of excitement and new beginnings.

As you will be aware, after discussions with parents, Primary 1 children will remain in Burnbrae Primary while the new campus with St Mary's RC Primary will accommodate our three nursery classes as the early learning provision. This will be ready for the new session. The campus will also have a new and bespoke facility for children across Midlothian with Additional Support Needs and is due to be completed very soon.



# WORKING TOGETHER

The joint campus is a fantastic learning space. The head teacher of St Mary's RC Primary School, Liz Laird, and I are committed to providing an inclusive, nurturing environment that makes best use of indoor and outdoor spaces.



We will share more indoor photographs just as soon as we can.

However, as you can see from some of these photographs, the children in the new campus will enjoy everything from natural climbing frames, growing their own foods, trim trails and a traverse wall. There's even a specially-created beach.



The last few months have been hugely challenging. I am confident that by working together, we can forge a new and bright future for Burnbrae.

Best wishes and I look forward to meeting you at the start of the new term.

Linda Clarkson  
Head Teacher



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