



## Staffing

Our staffing has mostly remained the same with Mrs Campbell (principal teacher), Mrs Wilson (class teacher) and our wonderful learning assistants Mrs Ritchie, Mrs Middleton and Ms Palmer all looking forward to the year ahead. We are welcoming Mrs Anderson, a learning assistant, who will be here on Thursdays. We will also have input from Ms Goodwin, art specialist, and Mrs Callaghan, music specialist, throughout parts of the year. We will do PE at different points throughout the week, both indoors and outside, so if you are able to send in a t-shirt and shorts (no football strips or colours please), we can keep them in school.



## Horse Riding

As you know we have weekly horse riding on a Wednesday afternoon from now until the end of term in December so remember those warm outdoor clothes!

## Enhanced Nurture Provision

You may have spotted that a few months ago our name changed from being a 'Specialist Provision' to an 'Enhanced Nurture Provision'. While nurturing approaches have always been adopted within the provision, there is now a wider understanding throughout all of education of how important this is. Educational research, policy and practice show that adopting a nurturing approach in all schools promotes inclusive, respectful relationships across the whole school community and many schools now have small nurture groups or classes.

Here at Cuiken's Enhanced Nurture Provision, we are able to follow the nurturing approaches recommended within our own small and special setting. We work closely with your child's base school to ensure a joint approach to meeting your child's needs (when appropriate and in discussion with yourself, your child and other adults that can contribute to supporting your child such as an educational psychologist).

In our Enhanced Nurture Provision we recognise that positive relationships are central to both learning and wellbeing. Our emphasis is on emotional growth, focusing on offering broad-based experiences in an environment that promotes security, routines, clear boundaries and



carefully planned, repetitive learning opportunities reflecting the experiences and outcomes within the Curriculum for Excellence followed by all Scottish schools.

### **Our 3 'Rules'**

We value your child and all the adults that are part of our provision team. Therefore, our aim is for everyone to

**\*Be Safe \* Be Kind \* Achieve**

We talk about these 3 aims all the time with the children and praise individuals when they are putting them into practice. It would be great if you could also talk about these aims at home. We make sure that the children know that 'achieving' can mean many things from learning a spelling pattern to taking some space to calm down instead of shouting at someone. Feel free to tweet us @Cuiken\_Primary some examples from home with our hash tag #besafe#bekind#achieve

### **Family Learning**

We would love to invite you in to share some learning with your child and our staff. We will be in touch over the next few weeks to arrange a suitable time and activity to join in with - if you have any hidden talents you want to share with us, please let us know! We will also use the time you are in to share with you your child's Individual Educational Plan (IEP) and Personal Handling Plan (PHP).

### **Attendance and Lateness Policy**

We have attached the school procedures for your information. Please note that we are aware that if a taxi is late to pick your child up that is not your fault and it would not be recorded as lateness. If you can't get through to the provision to explain any absences then please leave a message with the school office staff who will then pass it on.

*Thank you*