



I am delighted to be able to confirm our return to school from Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> August.  
All P2-P7s will be full time from Wednesday and we will have our P1s back on a phased return:  
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> August – P1 Children with surname A-G 9.30am – 11.30am  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> August – P1 Children with surname H-Z 9.30am-11.30am  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> August – ALL pupils 9.30am-11.30am  
All P1 FULL TIME from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August.

We have missed you all very much and can't wait for our family to be reunited. Although there will be excitement and happiness regarding our return, I understand there will be some apprehension and anxiety which is completely understandable. Never have our school values and vision been so important and I want to reassure you we are 100% committed to ensuring the safety, wellbeing and happiness of our Cuiken family.

### **Staffing**

I am sure you will appreciate the tight turnaround we had at the end of term when sharing our classes for a full time return. I spent a lot of the first week of the holidays answering questions and trying to ease anxiety around class organisation and hopefully we are all feeling positive about the year ahead. We have tried to ensure a consistent approach to staffing to ease our transition back to school however I am sure you will appreciate, with the ever changing picture, that at times this is not been possible. The only change to our staffing is in relation to P2/3. Mrs Donald has shared the wonderful news that she is pregnant with her first child - our Cuiken family continues to grow! Although Mrs Donald will be able at work at the start of term I understand the need, now more than ever, for consistency and have therefore placed Miss Maddie MacGregor in P2/3 to ensure as few changes across the school year as possible for our children.

Primary 1 -	Miss Dominique Pelosi
Primary 2	Mrs Laura Denson - Miss Deborah Dodds will cover during Mrs Denson's absence
Primary 2/3	Miss Maddie MacGregor
Primary 3	Miss Karen Hancock (Monday-Tuesday) Mrs Marion Pringle (Wednesday-Friday)
Primary 4a	Mrs Heather Galbucci
Primary 4b	Miss Sarah Millar (Monday-Wednesday) Miss Kerry Dolan (Thursday-Friday)
Primary 5	Mrs Lis McKie
Primary 5/6	Mr Brodie Abbott
Primary 6	Miss Isla Emsley As Miss Emsley is a newly qualified teacher, Mrs Katrina Cummings will cover P6 on a Wednesday
Primary 7	Mrs Lesley Mason
Supporting RCCT	Mrs Emma Donald

The authority have asked that we share further information around uniform, staggered starts, lunches, school equipment on the 10<sup>th</sup> August. Further guidance will be released by Midlothian Council this week including information around the Nursery.