



# Stoneferry Primary School

## September Newsletter—Week 1

**Term Dates will be coming home on Tuesday when they have all been checked and agreed. I will also add all dates to the website.**

**Please note also that next year's May Bank holiday has been moved to Friday 8th May 2020**

Welcome back. I hope that everyone has enjoyed a lovely summer break and had the opportunity to enjoy spending time with the children. By the end of the break though, my own children were certainly ready to return to school, and I can say that the attitudes that I have seen in school this week from the pupils of Stoneferry have been superb. On regular occasions this week, I have popped into all of the classes and been amazed with the positivity and “can do” attitudes on display. All of the children are focused and really impressing their new teachers, displaying the “Stoneferry Standard”.

My assembly this week focused on the theme of “Attitude is Everything” and teachers have been discussing this over and over with the children. Each week the theme will change and hopefully the children will focus on achieving it in class.

If you have anything you want to discuss please feel free to pop and see me or a member of staff and we will be happy to discuss it with you. Thank you.

*Mr Raw, Head of School*

### Welcome to Mrs Stephenson

A big Stoneferry welcome to Mrs Stephenson. She has joined the school as our new EYFS lead and Foundation 2 teacher and has settled in really well on her first week. Thank you to all the parents who have welcomed her so warmly. We appreciate that some routines will have changed in Foundation 2 so feel free to ask any questions you need. Mrs Stephenson has been very impressed with the children and how quickly they have settled.

### Amy Johnson day for Year 5 and 6

On their return to school on Tuesday the children in Year 5 and 6 were treated to a fantastic day of drama, art and theatre. This was based on the life of Amy Johnson and linked to their new topic Hull and Proud. Our visitors were very impressed with behaviour and attitudes demonstrated by the children and the children have followed the work up this week in class.

### New Designated Safeguarding Lead

Following the departure of Mrs Morgan, Mr Boyton has now become the school's designated safeguarding lead. He will be supported by myself and our new Emotional Well-Being Officer in his work. Please contact us if you have any concerns regarding safeguarding and we will ensure we deal with matters swiftly.

### Reminders and Requests

Please could I just ask that if birthday cakes are brought into school, that any allergies have been checked first and that they are cut into pieces before they arrive with us. This saves us a lot of time in school which can be used to support the children. In addition all children will be receiving a water bottle shortly which they can bring fresh water in each day.

## Big Changes to the School Environment

All summer builders have been working hard to develop both the inside and outside of school. By the skin of our teeth, the inside changes to Foundation 1 and 2 and Year 1 were completed for the return of the children and they are already making a huge difference to the children and staff alike. The additional space created in Foundation 2 especially has transformed the learning area and is simply fantastic.

Children in Year 3 and 6 are patiently waiting for their classrooms to be completed and hopefully this should be done in another 5 weeks. Progress is moving along at a rapid pace and credit must go for the brilliant way in which our children have adapted to the changes and got on with things this week. I am very proud of all of them.