

Millbank Primary School Newsletter

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Monday 27th June 2022



Madainn mhath/Good morning.

Farewells

As the school year draws to a close, we are sadly saying goodbye to several staff members –

Josh Anderson

Josh has been working as a PISA in Rainbow & Sparkle classes this term. We thank him for all his hard work and support of ASN pupils and we wish him all the best for the future.

Erin Ruddick

Erin has also been working as a PISA in Rainbow & Sparkle classes this term and has worked hard to support ASN pupils. Thank you Erin, for all you have done at Millbank. We wish you every success for the future.

Criosaidh Finlayson

Criosaidh has been on placement in the GM 1-3 class since February, as a student teacher. She has been a great support to both GM classes and we were especially grateful for her work in preparing pupils for the Mòd last week. Thank you, Criosaidh for all your hard work at Millbank and we hope you will be very happy in your new school.

Sarah Sinclair

Sarah has been teaching in Rainbow & Sparkle classes since April last year, each Thursday and Friday. Thank you very much Sarah, for all your support of ASN pupils at Millbank. We appreciate all your hard work and wish you all the very best for the future.

Joanne Harper

Joanne was a probationer teacher here in 2019/2020 and in the last 2 sessions has worked across all of Nairnshire's primaries, supporting schools as they opened up again after lockdown. Thank you very much Joanne, you have been a valued member of our Millbank team and we wish you all the best in your new job.

Pauline Thomson

Pauline has taught at Millbank since 2009 and 7 of those years were as Depute Head. So many pupils and staff have benefited from her nurturing approach and her enthusiasm for learning. You have touched the lives of many pupils, Pauline and we are so grateful for your kindness, your compassion and your commitment to all aspects of teaching and learning. Good luck for the future, we are really going to miss you.

Janice Gibson

Janice has been a Clerical assistant at Millbank for more than 23 years and we all rely on her very much for her efficient and helpful nature.

We are all really going to miss her Capable and friendly manner in the office; she is such a kind and helpful person and although she has many jobs to do in our busy office she always takes time to support anyone who needs it. Thank you Janice, we are so grateful to you and we hope you enjoy a long, happy and healthy retirement.

Canteen

Canteen staff have asked me to request that any outstanding payments for school lunches are settled by Wednesday please. Please call the kitchen directly on 452529 to find out if you have outstanding meals to pay for.

Staffing

As I am sure you are aware we have had a very challenging few weeks in terms of uncertainty around our ASN staffing levels for next session. The picture is not as bleak as first suggested but we will have a reduced number of PISAs next session and we will also be providing less Nurture support through the Hive as we have used some of our PEF (Pupil Equity Funding) to offset some of the PISA losses. I am so grateful to all our staff members for their resilience and support in recent weeks and to our Parent Council and families who have also been incredibly supportive – thank you all very much.

Dates for your diary

Thursday 30 th June	School closes at 12 pm for the summer holidays.
Tuesday 16 th August	School opens for the new session.

It has been another very challenging year and yet again our Millbank team of pupils, staff and families have pulled together to support each other and make this another happy and successful year at Millbank. I can only sincerely thank you all and wish you a very happy and relaxing summer holiday. Very best wishes, Mrs McPherson.



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