Dear Parent/Carer

**Breakfast Club**
I am delighted to tell you that our breakfast club will commence on Monday 4th November 2019. All those who have completed and returned their forms will be able to attend. Please bear in mind that our breakfast club starts at 8.15am and is free to all pupils in our school. For insurance and safety purposes, we would ask that you drop your children off at the infant entrance, entry will be by the dining hall at 8.15am. To avoid children being late for class starting, we would ask that no child is later than 8.40am for breakfast. At 8.45am, children will then move into the playground where they will be supervised until the bell rings at 9am. If you have not completed a form, you must do so before leaving your child at breakfast club. Forms can be found on the school website or from the office. Playground supervision begins at 8.45am and for safety reasons, we would ask that children be dropped off or arrive at school as near to these times as possible. Please ensure pupils are appropriately dressed for the cool weather.

**Parents Evening**
Everyone should have received their appointment times by now, if not please contact the school office. During the evening the Book Fair will operate in the Reception area of the school building. Pupils can purchase books at this time.

**Vision Values and Aims**
The children have been working on updating their Vision Values and Aims and they would like to seek parental contribution. Look out for homework this week to help you discuss and identify what you think our Vision Values and Aims should be. Entries in by Friday, 8th November 2019.

**Competition Time**
Anne Marie Keane, Chair of our Parent Council has given the school free entry to Edinburgh Zoo for a family of 4. Each family will have up to three opportunities to win the ticket. We will take all the names of those parents who have signed up for Twitter, Parent Pay and completed the Vision Values and Aims survey. Please help us and win a family day out at Edinburgh Zoo.

**Athletic Success**
Our pupils took part in an Athletics Competition last week and we are delighted with their success.


*3rd place* - *2+2 lap relay boys* - Logan McN, Corey C, *4 lap parllaff B* - Lucy M, Ben S

**Improvement Priorities for Session 2019-20**
As you know, we write a school improvement plan every session. This helps us to continue to move forward in a structured and focused way. The key outcome is to ensure we are providing the best possible learning experiences and opportunities for our children. Our
school improvement plan is available on our school website along with the standards and quality report, which reflects on the previous session’s priorities. So far this year our staff working parties have begun working on our Ready, Respectful and Safe, Listening and Talking and Numeracy. We are also looking at data and how we analyse this and validating the learning, which is taking place within the school. Staff will be on hand during Parents Evening to explain our recently implemented Ready, Respectful and Safe. We will continue to work with all establishments in the Duncanrig Learning Community. Our pupil voice groups have been working well and will be reporting shortly on what they have been doing.

Maths Workshops  
Thank you to the parents/carers who attended our Maths Workshops during Maths Week. Whilst our turn out was low, 8% for the main stream and 0.02% for the ASN or 0.06% for the whole school. We appreciate that many people are working and have other commitments and have placed the presentation onto our website. The presentation lists some of the websites that you could access to help your child.

Wet Weather  
Please ensure children come to school with suitable clothing that will ensure they are warm in all weathers. If the weather is wet, children will be supervised in the building from 8.45am. During wet intervals and lunch, all classes have monitors and staff supervise the children. We have some Wet Weather games; however, these always need updated. If you have any games/books, which are in good condition but you no longer require, please hand them in to the office.

Engine Idling  
All schools in South Lanarkshire Council are ‘No Idling Zones’ and drivers are not permitted to park in the car park or leave a car with its engine running to drop off or pick up children. Idling harms our health: vehicle exhaust fumes are damaging to everyone’s health, but it especially affects children, who breathe more and at a faster rate than adults. By turning off your engine, you can improve the quality of air pupils, parents and teachers breathe while they are at school. Idling pollutes the air we breathe: an idling engine produces unnecessary pollution and can produce up to twice as many exhaust emissions as an engine in motion. By not idling, you reduce the level of harmful emissions being released into the atmosphere. Keep money in your wallet and save fuel: Despite the popular story, that idling your car uses less fuel than turning it off and restarting – idling actually costs you money. It is more fuel efficient to turn off your engine and this will reduce the wear and tear on your engine. Please support Greenhills Primary and turn off your car while waiting to drop off or pick up your child. Together, we can make a real difference and improve the quality of air we all breathe.

Parent Council  
Our Parent Council will meet on Monday, 25 November 2019 at 7pm. All parents and legal guardians are welcome to attend the meetings that take place on the last Monday of each month, or Monday before as in this instance due to a holiday. We look forward to welcoming new members.

Parent Pay  
If you need help setting up Parent Pay please ask for help at Book Fair during Parent/carer evening.

Twitter@GreenhillsPrimary  
We have 40 followers now please add to this by getting tweeting!
Greenhills Primary School
November 2019

Each month our newsletter will be on the school website (www.greenhills-pri.s-lanark.sch.uk). I hope you find this information helpful. If at any time, you need more details, or have a concern or a great idea, please contact the school.

Kind Regards

Elaine Johnston
Head Teacher

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February
Tuesday 4th P1 Family Learning
Thursday 6th Dress Down Day
Friday 7th In Service Day
Monday 10th HOLIADAY
Tuesday 11th HOLIADAY
Wednesday 12th In Service
Tuesday 18th P1 Family Learning
Monday 24th Parent Council Meeting
Tuesday 25th P1 Family Learning

March
Tuesday 3rd P1 Family Learning
Thursday 5th World Book Day
Tuesday 10th P1 Family Learning
Tuesday 17th P1 Family Learning
Friday 20th Comic Relief Dress Down Day
Tuesday 24th P1 Family Learning
Tuesday 31st P1 Family Learning

April
Friday 3rd School finishes 2.30pm
Monday 6th – Friday 17th HOLIDAY
Monday 20th School returns
Tuesday 21st P1 Family Learning
Tuesday 28th P1 Family Learning

May
Tuesday 5th Sports Day
Thursday 7th In Service Day
Friday 8th HOLIADAY
Tuesday 12th P1 Family Learning
Monday 18th Parent Council Meeting
Tuesday 19th P1 Family Learning
Wednesday 20th Pre Entrant Program
Thursday 21st Dress Down Day
Friday 22nd P7 Transition Day
Monday 25th HOLIDAY
Tuesday 26th P1 Family Learning
Wednesday 27th P7 Duncanrig Induction (Pupils make their own way to Duncanrig)
Thursday 28th P7 Duncanrig Induction Duncanrig

June
Tuesday 2nd P1 Family Learning
Wednesday 3rd Pre Entrant Program
Tuesday 9th P1 Family Learning
Thursday 11th Parents Evening
Tuesday 16th P1 Family Learning

Celebration of Achievement Assembly
Friday 19th Staff v. Pupils netball
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Monday 22nd
Tuesday 23rd
Wednesday 24th

Awards Ceremony
P7 Leavers Assembly
Parents v. Pupils football
School finishes 1pm

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