



EDUCATION RESOURCES
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Date: 12th September 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

We have had another busy week, with children working hard across all aspects of learning. Today the children will have their second masterclass of the term. It has been lovely to see their enthusiasm and effort shining through.

Staffing Update

Miss Laura Miller is currently absent from work. Please contact Kirsty Duff or Shona Cameron if you have any queries related to Primary 5-7 pupils. If you are waiting for a response to an email, please resend it to the office so that it can be redirected.

Harvest Donations

A huge thank you to all families for your generous donations. Your kindness and support are greatly appreciated.

If you or your family would benefit from receiving a food package at this time, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Cameron, this will be handled in the strictest confidence.

Head Lice and Threadworm

Parents have been in touch to report cases of head lice and threadworm in the school community. We kindly ask all parents and carers to monitor their own children carefully and, if necessary, seek appropriate treatment. Prompt action will help prevent further spread and ensure the health and wellbeing of all pupils.

Lost Property

As the colder weather arrives, please remember to put your child's name on all items of clothing. Our lost property now contains a number of winter jackets and sweatshirts without names, making it difficult to return them to owners. Lost property is located near the main office.

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School Fund Committee

We are looking for a parent/carer to join our School Fund Committee. This role involves attending one meeting per month during the school day. If you are interested in supporting our school in this way, please email Kirsty Duff. (headteacher@westcoats-pri.s-lanark.sch.uk)

Maths Assessments (PUMA)

This week, children have been completing their *Progress in Understanding Maths Assessments (PUMA)*. This is the first year we have trialled completing these assessments online, and the children have been engaging well with the process.

Beat the Street

Beat the Street begins on Wednesday 17th September 2025. This is a free and fun initiative that will turn Cambuslang and Rutherglen into a giant game for six weeks! Families are encouraged to walk, cycle, run, scoot, or wheel to see how far they can go. There are lots of challenges to enjoy and prizes to be won. The game will run until Wednesday 29th October 2025. Information about this event came home via pupil post and more information can be found at <https://beatthestreet.me/camglen/>.

Music at School

We are delighted that children have started using our newly equipped music room:

- Primary 1: learning to use their body and voices
- Primary 2: learning to play the boom whackers
- Primary 3: learning to play the glockenspiel
- Primary 4: learning to play the recorder
- Primary 5–7: learning to play the keyboard

We look forward to hearing the wonderful music they will create!

If you play an instrument and are able to offer tuition to learners during or after the school day, please get in touch. Pupils are very keen to learn guitar and drums amongst other instruments.

Reminder: No Dogs on School Grounds

We would like to remind all parents and carers that dogs are not permitted anywhere within the school grounds. This rule is in place to ensure the health, safety, and wellbeing of all pupils, staff, and visitors. We kindly request your cooperation in adhering to this policy at all times.

Parent Helpers: Protection of Vulnerable Groups (PVG) updated guidance and procedure

As of August 2025, any adult volunteering regularly to help in South Lanarkshire schools must now have a PVG certificate. The Protection of Vulnerable Groups (PVG) is a membership scheme to safeguard and protect children.



If you are interested in volunteering and require a PVG form, please contact the office by phone or email to discuss the process and procedure further.

Parent Consultation

There is an opportunity for teachers to meet parents at the parent consultation event on Wednesday 24th September. The session runs from 3.10pm – 8.30pm. Parents can request an appointment time using Parentsportal. Appointments last 8 minutes. If you have any issues with making an appointment, please contact the office.

ICT Equipment

If you have any computer mice at home that are not being used, we would be grateful if you would consider donating them to West Coats.

Big Build

Big Build We're planning some exciting improvements to our playground and would love your help on the 3rd and 10th of October. For full details, please check the Parent Portal or contact Mr Hamilton.

Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday.

Kind regards

Kirsty Duff

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