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Carstairs Junction Primary School and Early Learning & Childcare

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J Armour

Head Teacher's Report – 6.9.23

Welcome

- Mrs Armour welcomed and thanks everyone for their attendance.

Staffing

Mrs Hislop and Mrs Gibson our new support assistants have settled into our team. Mrs Wilson-Seaton, our Principal teacher is also well settled and has been enjoying getting to know the children and routines of the school. Mrs McQuoney is an Early Years peripatetic teacher and is currently working with the Nursery on a Monday and Tuesday taking forward improvement plan priorities.

School Improvement Plan:

1. All stakeholders will continue to focus on curriculum development; contributing to the school rationale with a focus on the four contexts of learning.

2. Provide high quality learning & teaching experiences in writing through use of learning intentions and success criteria. Talking and listening opportunities to be used as a vehicle to raise attainment in writing.

3. Further develop Play based learning pedagogy at Early level and introduce play based principles to First & Second level.

4. Equity Priorities:

School will work in close partnership with YFCL to track, monitor and address barriers to attendance with families (<90%).

Raise attainment in Literacy through 1.1 and small group early intervention with identified groups. Introduce Nuffield Early Literacy Intervention (NELI) & Foundation in Literacy in Primary (FLIPP) to support.

Provide targeted Nurture intervention to improve wellbeing with identified cohort, maintaining our clear focus on attachment informed practice.

Provide targeted support in Numeracy with identified individuals and groups.

Cost of the School Day policy to be understood by all stakeholders and inform planning in committees & Parent Council. *Collated Parent Responses shared and Cost of the School Day Draft Policy.*

All stakeholders will be consulted regarding how best to utilise our Participatory budget of £1531.25. Mrs Wilson-Seaton will lead on this.

The Term so far

Our committees have been formed and we look forward to our first meetings. We have lots of news to share with regards committees and will give an update through our newsletters and at our next Parent Council meeting.

Well done to everyone who put themselves forward as Captain/Vice captain. We look forward to working with them.

Clubs have recommenced with Knitting and Rounders so far.

Elaine our YFCL has been extremely busy with funding applications. Elaine to share an update following Head Teacher Report.

Parental views have been gathered regarding views on attendance. This will help inform our next steps.

Primary 1 Literacy workshops are planned over September and October to help support your child with early phonics and reading.

Parental Engagement for Session 23/24

Consultative role - Participatory Budget consultation

Wider achievements - Lunch and after school clubs

Ethos and life of the school - Fundraising – looking at the year ahead, coffee mornings

Parent Consultation

This will take place on 4th October 2023. Appointment times will be able to be booked in due course via Parents Portal.

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