

Monday 7th October 2024

Please see details below about staffing from September

Reception and Y1	Y3 and Y4	Y5 and Y6
Assistant Principal EYFS-Kavitha Assistant Principal KS1-Estee Reception Manager-Shanta Nursery Manager-Rumana Trainee ToD-Shopna Sharon Maisha Ameera	Assistant Principal Y3/4-Shah Y3 Manager-Farjana Trainee ToD-Salma Ambia Yenny Taneya Nasra Saleha	Assistant Principal Y5/6-Abdul Assistant Principal Y5-Ranjani Teacher Marzana Alifjan Lesley Saira

➤ Charlotte-Assistant Principal Lead SENDCo and Deaf Support Manager



Unfortunately, the following members of staff are not in the photo: Saira, Saleha, Taneya, Lesley and Alifjan. We will endeavour to get another group photo soon.

Dear Parent/carer,

I am pleased to inform you that after a recent two day review of the school, the trainee ToDs were given some fantastic feedback about their teaching the learning:

“The teaching and learning seen in the DSB was very effective and pupils were gaining a great deal from their lessons. Those conducted by the trainee ToDs were well structured; pupils were accessing the curriculum; and staff were effectively enabling the pupils to lip read and sign proficiently. Practical apparatus was used really well, for example in mathematics, to help pupils understand the importance of partitioning and place value”.

Over the next couple of weeks we are trialling for another BSL TA to join the school. We have numerous people interested in this position. We will inform parents once a suitable person is in post.

We are also pleased to announce that a BSL lunchtime club has been set up. This will be an opportunity for pupils to learn BSL at lunchtime. The club is run by two DSB teaching assistants.

Please see below dates of the next open classroom session, where you will be able to see your child's books and spend time with them in their classroom. I would encourage all parents to attend.

We also look forward to welcoming you all at the coffee morning on the 22nd October.

Finally, senior advisors from The Ewing Foundation will be visiting Culloden before the end of this half term. They will be working closely with the ToDs. This is another great opportunity for the school to receive external professional advice for the pupils and staff so that we can continue to ensure we are delivering effective teaching and learning.

The DSB Newsletter will also be shared with the Senior Engagement Officer for the NDCS so that they are aware of updates about the DSB.

Dates

****Every Wednesday parent coffee morning from 0910am** This is a chance for you to meet the Home School Support Worker (Shazeen) and socialise with other parents from the school.**

Autumn 1	Open Classroom	Tuesday 15th October 10-1045
	DSB Coffee Morning	Tuesday 22nd October 10-11

Autumn 2	Reading Session	Week beg 2nd Dec 2.30-3.15
	DSB Coffee Morning	Tuesday 10th Dec 10-11

Communication Books

Please check your child's book bag for newsletters and check their communication book for any messages from the class teacher or teaching assistant. Communication books will only be written in, as and when deemed necessary by the class teacher. The book is for messages of positivity.

British Sign Language Resource

Please see below access to a blog created by Michael Watkinson for the pupils, families and staff. Message from Michael:

*I would ask everyone to respect the work that has gone into producing all these learning resources and please do not copy them for wider distribution.

<https://lasbsl.edublogs.org/culloden>

Password: Happyhands

Communication with staff

If you would like to speak to your child's class teacher, year group manager or or any member of the Leadership Team then please email the admin team on

info@cullodenacademy.org

A face to face meeting or phone call will be scheduled.