

Carrick Knowe Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs Gail Canning



24th August 2026



Dear Parents/Carers,

Our School Website

Overview

Our school website has been one of the best in Edinburgh for a number of years: the place to go for our calendar dates, latest letters, all of our achievements and of course our class blogs.

With the changing digital landscape, and a continuing debate nationwide around social media, we have been reviewing the way our website works and want to implement some changes so that our blogs are not as widely accessible to the general public.

What is changing?

This session, our blog posts will be password protected meaning that when you click on a post it will ask you to put in a simple password. **This will only apply to blog posts and other information pages will be unaffected.**

When looking at options, one option was to remove the blogs altogether, but our teachers were keen to continue to share the great work happening in their classrooms with parents and carers. A second option was for every parent/carer to sign up with an individual login, but we felt this would be too time consuming and we would end up with less people visiting the website.

We believe we have struck the correct balance between privacy and accessibility by having one simple password that **will change each term.**

What is not changing?

We will continue to ensure that no child is identifiable on the website by making sure no names are used alongside photographs. We will also always grant any request from parents/carers (or children) for an image to be removed from our website.

What's next?

These changes will take place from this week, and the password will be sent out shortly via ParentPay. As part of this change, we believe it is right to ask you whether all the photo/video permissions you gave in P1 are still correct therefore we ask that you complete the consent form on the following page.

Until we receive the consent form back, we will assume that previous permissions we hold are still correct. If you have any questions or queries, then please do get in touch.

Kind regards,

Gail Canning
Headteacher

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Child's Name: _____

Current Class: _____

	Please Circle	
	Yes	No
WEBSITE: I give permission for my child's images (no names) to be used on the school website on password-protected blog posts.	Yes	No
LEARNING JOURNALS: I give permission for my child's image to be used within a group shot (e.g. this may happen if the learning observation involved group work)	Yes	No
GENERAL: I give permission for my child's images to be used around the school / nursery. (e.g. photos used as part of classroom displays)	Yes	No
MEDIA: I give permission for my child to participate in events or activities, which may be subject to media coverage (e.g. the press) or other publications.	Yes	No

Parent/Carer's Name: _____

Parent/Carer's Signature: _____

Date: _____

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