Dear Team Carstairs Families

Welcome back to term 3 and a very **Happy New Year** to all. We hope that 2024 brings all of our families all that you are wishing for yourselves.

It has been a really smooth and successful first week back - a big **well done to all of our staff and children** for getting straight down to business for the new term! Great job.

We said farewell for now to our lovely Mrs Casserly on Wednesday of this week, as we waved her off with love and a specially made 'Mummy to Be Pamper Hamper' to help her relax in these next few weeks before her new arrival makes her grand entrance! © Enjoy your maternity leave, Mrs Casserly. We can't wait to hear news of the new arrival.

Mrs Whitehead will now teach P1/2 at the beginning of the week, with Mrs Hardie retaining her normal working days and continuing to teach P1/2 from Wednesday to Friday, for the remainder of the school session.

We been busy finalising our **programme of after school clubs** for the term. This will begin with a **P1 Multi Sports offer**, starting next week on **Thursday 18 January** from **3.00 - 3.50pm and running for three consecutive Thursdays**. Permissions to attend this will be shared with P1 parents via Parents Portal on Monday 15 January - please watch out for this arriving, if you would like your child to attend.

Thank you for helping spread the word about **infant enrolment** this week, for our new August P1 intake. We have been receiving these gradually throughout the week and look forward to **making contact with our new families next week**.

A full list of diary dates for the term ahead will be shared early next week. In the meantime, for those of you keen to get involved with our Parent Partnership, having seen some of their great work in term 2, please note that our first Parent Partnership meeting of 2024 will take place in our school hall at 6.30pm on Tuesday 23 January. All welcome.

We send thanks for your support in getting the ball rolling, for a busy 2024! 3 Bring on a further six months of strong achievement for all. 7

Have a lovely weekend. Best wishes Miss Sneddon, HT