

St Brigid's Primary Newsletter



August/September 2018

From the Head Teacher's desk

How Does Your Child Learn in Class?

he start of a new school year is always an exciting time, particularly as we welcome new children, parents and staff. The children are well settled in their new classes and I hope everyone who is joining us quickly feels part of the St Brigid's family. I am delighted to welcome Ms Courtney Alexander and Mr Michael Cannon to the teaching staff. Mrs Din is going on maternity leave today and Ms Laing will be leaving us at the end of September to take up a new post in Dundee. I should like to thank Ms Laing for her work in St Brigid's and wish her well for the future. Mrs Din takes with her our good wishes for the birth of Baby Din.

We are always reflecting on the quality of our work and how we can improve. Our Standards and Quality Report for last session is included with this newsletter.

We will try to keep you as up to date as possible with what is happening in school through the monthly newsletters, our website and Twitter. We will make less use of text messages this year as the school now has to pay 50% of the cost. However, we have a new system which will allow us to contact you by e-mail and would ask that we have up-to-date e-mail addresses as well as phone numbers so that we may contact you quickly, if necessary. This year we are replacing the 'Meet the Teacher' sessions with an early opportunity to share your child's learning in class; please see details of the dates and times in the next column. Over the course of the year P2-P7 parents will have the opportunity to join us for an assembly. Primary 7 will be presenting our first class assembly on Monday 27th August at 10:00am and would love their parents/ families to join us.

I know that many of you were disappointed that it was not possible to take photographs at our summer events, including sports' day, the senior show and the celebrations of achievement as we did not have photographic permission from all our families. A new permission form will be sent home shortly and, if we receive a completed form for each child, we will be able to allow photographs to be taken at future events. If you do not wish your child's photograph to be taken, please let us know.

I look forward to another extremely successful year for our school community and thank you in anticipation of your usual fantastic support. Please do not hesitate to use any of the contact details on the back page if you have any questions or comments.

Carol Scott

Head Teacher

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Come along and share your child's learning

Maths Week Scotland 10th –14th September

Staff in St Brigid's Primary highly value the partnership that we have with parents and carers and we know children make the best progress when supported at home so we hope you will be able to join us:

P2a	Monday 10 September at 9:30am
P2b	Monday 10 September at 9:30am
P3a	Thursday 13 September at 2:00pm
P3b	Monday 10 September at 9:10am
P4a	Monday 10 September at 2:00pm
P4b	Wednesday 12 September at 11:00am
P5	Friday 14 September at 9:30am
P6	Friday 14 September at 9:30am
P7/6	Friday 14 September at 9:30am
P 7	Friday 14 September at 9:30am

Primary 1 parents are invited to come along on Thursday 23 August at 9.00am to hear about how we teach literacy and then enjoy sharing a literacy lesson with your child in class. P1 parents will have an opportunity to share a numeracy lesson after the October break.



To keep all children safe, children may not have phones with them in class, around the school or in the playground. As we cannot guarantee phones will be safe and Glasgow City Council has no insurance for personal items, mobile phones **should not** be brought to school.

In truth and love





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Thurs 23 Aug	P2 classes to work with music specialist, Mrs Brackenridge, for 5 weeks	
Fri 24 Aug	Mrs Scott to Catholic Headteachers' Association of Primaries in Scotland (CHAPS) Executive meeting	
Mon 27 Aug	P7 class assembly—parents welcome	
Tues 28 Aug	Mr Keddilty to Literacy for All	
	Training	
Thurs 30 Aug	Celebration Mass in St Andrew's	
	Cathedral for all who work in	
	Catholic schools	
Tues 4 Sept	Mr Keddilty to Literacy for All	
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Mon 10 Sept	Maths Week Scotland-please	
•	see information on page 1	
Thurs 13 Sept	Mrs Scott to CHAPS conference	
Fri 14 Sept	Mrs Scott to CHAPS conference	
Mon 17 Sept	Class awards assembly	
Tues 18 Sept	Mr Keddilty to Literacy for All	
	Training	
Wed 19 Sept	Mrs Scott to Scottish Learning	
	Festival	
Fri 21 Sept	September weekend holiday	
Mon 24 Sept	September weekend holiday	
Tues 25 Sept	Mr Keddilty to Literacy for All	
	Training	
•	Teachers from St Francis' Primary	
	and St Paul's Primary to visit P7	
Mon 1 Oct	Class assembly	
Wed 3 Oct	Ms Shaw to visit St Paul's Primary	
Thurs 4 Oct	Individual parents' meeting	

You can find details of all school holidays for this session and session 2019/20 on <u>https://</u>www.glasgow.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=17024.

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Pupil Absence Reporting Line:

0141 287 0039 https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/index.aspx? articleid=18832 Glasgow City Council website: http://www.glasgow.gov.uk/

Parent Council email address: st.brigidsparentcouncil@yahoo.co.uk

High Expectations-School Uniform

The children look very smart in their new uniforms. Please continue to support our full uniform policy as this helps children to feel included and to be proud of their school.

Pale blue school shirt (not a fashion variation) School tie or P7 tie (both available from the school office) Grey skirt or grey tailored school trousers Plain grey v-neck pullover or cardigan Plain pale blue polo shirt and simple blue shorts for PE Grey socks or tights Black gym shoes Simple hair accessories **Together we can achieve the best!**

PE Days

Classes will have PE on the following days. Children should bring a simple t-shirt and shorts and they should already have their plain black gym shoes in school. Primary 1 children will only wear their gym shoes for the first few weeks and teachers will keep you informed of when other items are needed.

P1a	Tues & Thurs	P1b	Wed & Thurs
P2a	Tues & Wed	P2b	Mon & Wed
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P4a	Tues & Thurs	P4b	Mon & Fri
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P7	Tues & Thurs		

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From time to time changes may need to be made to take advantage of sports' coaches.



Glasgow's mainstream primary schools operate a generic pupil absence reporting service during the school week. From August 2018 Parent/Carers or a named contact person can report their child's absence by using an online form and should register with *myaccount* to access this. The form will make it easier to report a pupil's absence or appointment during our peak periods. A pupil's sickness absence must be reported prior to 09.30 am on the day of the absence. https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/index.aspx? articleid=18832