

Happy  
New Year!

# St Brigid's Primary Newsletter



January 2019

*In truth and love*

## From the Head Teacher's desk

I am delighted to write my first newsletter as Head Teacher of St Brigid's Primary. What a wonderful month we had in December with our celebrations for Christmas. The children performed incredibly well at the Nativity and Christmas Shows. We also said a farewell to Mrs Scott in a beautiful retirement Mass in School. Our children were a credit to our school community with their behaviour and singing. Mrs Scott, received the diocesan medal in recognition from Archbishop Tartaglia for many years devoted service to Catholic Education.

On our very first day back, we welcomed the theatre company M&M productions who performed their production of Sleeping Beauty. The children thoroughly enjoyed the performance and again behaviour was exemplary. The school liaison representative commented on how engaged the children were.

Further success came in the Mock Court Case. All P6s & P7s worked together to present a civil case and were invited to attend the High Court. We are still awaiting some results but I can confirm that P7 & P 7/6 won two out of three cases. This is an outstanding achievement. My thanks to Mr Keddlity, Ms Shaw and Mr Woods who helped prepare the children so well.

At Monday's assembly, 75 children received a certificate for 100% attendance and 118 children for 95% or better between October and December. Overall, this is 65% of the children which has remained the same from this time last year. Please remember that attendance in school is vital to giving our children the best possible chances to achieve success. **Let's work to make these figures even better.**

Congratulations to Mrs O' Neill who has been appointed as Acting Depute Head Teacher in St Brigid's Primary. Mrs O'Neill knows the families and community of St Brigid's Primary very well and I am sure you join me in wishing her the best of luck in her new role. Mrs O'Neill will take over management for P1-P3 and support me in whole school behaviour management and additional support for learning.

I wish all our families and friends a healthy, happy and peaceful 2019.

*Paul Cassidy*

Head Teacher

## Enrolment for P1 August 2019

If you know anyone who is still to register for P1 please make them aware that P1 enrolment is still open. Please register for P1 on line here:

<https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=18007>

If required, paper applications can still be obtained by contacting the CBS Enrolment Support Team at the Olympia Hub: 0141 287 8000.

## Sporting Success!

We are absolutely delighted with the success of our physical activity programme 2017/18. My thanks to all staff for their commitment to physical activity through our curriculum to ensure our children are fit and active. My special thanks to Mr Woods for organising the vast majority of clubs and our attendance at events.



## February Break

The school will be closed on **Monday 11th February** and **Tuesday 12th February** for the mid-term holiday. **Wednesday 13th February** is an in-service training day for staff and children should not attend on that day.



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## Diary Dates 2019



### Improving Our School

School Improvement Plan Priority 2: To enhance learning and teaching in literacy and numeracy through the use of core digital applications as delivered through GCC Digital Learning Strategy.

How we are achieving this target:

- Teachers have received their Ipads and have undertaken Out of the Box training and core software to enhance learning and teaching in literacy and numeracy.
- Our Digital Leader of Learning (DLOL) Mrs Moretti has attended 'training the trainer' events and become familiar with the use of apps to enhance learning.
- Teachers are at the very beginning of the process to introduce and trial Ipads and core software with their class in literacy and numeracy.
- Wi-Fi has is now available in all parts of the school to maximise the use of the Ipads
- Further digital roll out of Apple TVs and Ipads for children will be confirmed in due course.

We are all very excited with this new technology and the endless possibilities that it affords in equipping our learners for the modern world.

- Mon 14 Jan Attendance awards assembly
- Mon 21 Jan Tooth fluoride varnishing programme for P1–P4 children  
P7/6 Assembly at 10:00 in Assembly Hall
- Tues 22 Jan Tooth fluoride varnishing programme for P1–P4 children
- Wed 23 Jan Show Racism the Red Card P7 & P7/6
- Mon 28 Jan Class awards assembly
- Tues 29 Jan Mr Cassidy to Local Improvement Group Meeting
- Wed 30 Jan Show Racism the Red Card P7 & P7/6
- Fri 1 Feb Feast of St Brigid—whole school to 10:00am Mass - Please contact the school if you are able to accompany us so that all children can attend.
- Tues 5 Feb Mr Cannon—RE course
- Mon 11 Feb Holiday
- Tues 12 Feb Holiday
- Wed 13 Feb In-service day for staff—school closed for children
- Fri 15 Feb Mrs O'Neill to Primary DHT meeting at Holyrood
- Thurs 21 Feb Mr Cassidy and Mrs O' Neill to attend Director's briefing
- Fri 22 Feb Mrs O' Neill P3b to attend STEM ambassadors training.

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#### Pupil Absence Reporting Line:

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#### Glasgow City Council website:

<http://www.glasgow.gov.uk/>

#### Parent Council email address:

[st.brigidsparentcouncil@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:st.brigidsparentcouncil@yahoo.co.uk)

### Head lice

Please remember to regularly check your child's hair for any sign of infection.

For information on how to treat Head lice please visit the NHS website or the local pharmacy.