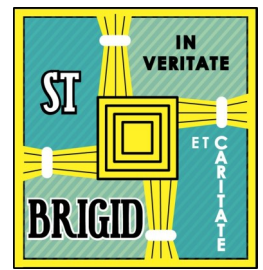




# St Brigid's Primary Newsletter



November 2018

*In truth and love*

## From the Head Teacher's desk

In St Brigid's Primary we are continuing to celebrate and reward good attendance as we know that attendance at school is closely related to how well children achieve. At this week's assembly, 164 children received a certificate for perfect attendance and 89 children for attendance of 95% or better. This means that 84% of the children achieved Glasgow's target of 95% attendance or better. Thank you for supporting your children's learning in this way.

Everyone in St Brigid's Primary is continuing to work hard to improve the education provided for the children. In this month's newsletter, you will find more information on how we are promoting the distinct Catholic mission of our school, including as part of the national celebrations around the centenary of the education act which brought Catholic schools into local authority governance, thereby, providing the same funding as enjoyed by non-denominational schools. On Friday 23 November, two P7 pupils and I will be attending a Glasgow City Council civic reception for those involved in Catholic education. Next month I will give you more information on our progress with raising attainment in core subjects.

The recent danceathon was a huge success. The children had a fun day while raising money to help those less fortunate. £2300 was raised and the Minni Vinnies group who organised the event will decide how to allocate the money. Thank you so much for your generosity.

Final preparations are being made for the residential trip to Blairvadach with the children becoming increasingly excited as the day draws near. Keep a look out on our Twitter feed @StBrigidsPS for photographs of what the children get up to! I am grateful to Mr Cassidy, Mrs R O'Neill, Mr Keddilty, Mr Woods and Mrs Metcalfe who are giving up a week with their families and friends to accompany the children on the trip.

I am pleased to let you know that Mr Cassidy will return to St Brigid's Primary on Monday 5 November. He will be leading the residential trip to Blairvadach that week and will be back in school full time from 12 November. Ms Kyrsten Milne will fill Ms Laing's post on a temporary basis and will continue to teach P1b. Mrs R O'Neill will undertake management duties and provide support to children and teachers.

Thank you for your on-going support.

**Carol Scott**  
Head Teacher

## Primary 1 Enrolment for August

Children who will be age 5 by 29 February 2020 are due to start school in August 2019. Glasgow City Council has changed the enrolment procedure to an online application form for parents/carers to register their children at the local catchment school.

**Enrolment week will be week commencing  
Monday 5 November 2018.**

If you are unable to access the internet, paper applications will only be available on request from Olympia Hub at Tel: 0141 287 8000. ALL paper forms MUST be sent to the hub for action, we are unable to accept these in school.

Parents who wish to defer their child's entry date to school should still register online.



Parents and carers of new P1 children are invited to bring the children to story time in our school library on **Thursday 6 December at 1:30pm**. This is a great opportunity for the children to have their first introduction to school and for parents and carers to ask any questions.

## Book Week Scotland

All parents of P2—P7 children are invited to share a literacy lesson with their child in class during Book Week. P1 parents have already had the opportunity to find out what and how their children are learning in literacy and will receive an invitation to share a numeracy lesson later in the year.

P2a & P2b	Monday	19/11/18	9:15am
P3a	Thursday	22/11/18	9:30am
P3b	Wednesday	12/11/18	9:30am
P4a	Tuesday	20/11/18	9:30am
P4b	Thursday	22/11/18	9:30am
P5	Tuesday	20/11/18	9:15am
P6	Wednesday	21/11/18	9:30am
P7/6	Monday	19/11/18	11:00am
P7	Monday	19/11/18	11:00am

We hope that you can join us.



## How Are We Improving Our School?

### Priority: to celebrate the distinct Catholic mission of the school

What have we achieved and what have we planned to do:

- ♦ Teachers have provided learning opportunities to allow the children to explore ways in which our school is good for the local and wider community, including Church teaching about our responsibility for the poor
- ♦ We have participated in events to celebrate the centenary of the Education Scotland (1918) Act, including the visit of the icon of Jesus our Teacher visiting the Archdiocese of Glasgow
- ♦ Teachers have engaged in personal and professional learning as relevant to their distinct mission as a teacher in a Catholic school
- ♦ With the new headteacher, the school will review our vision, values and aims
- ♦ We will evaluate our development as a community of faith and learning; identifying, planning and reporting on our strengths and areas for development.



**Parent Council  
Christmas Fete**  
Saturday 1st December  
11:00am—1:00pm

Save the date!

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### Glasgow City Council website:

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

### Parent Council email address:

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## Diary Dates



Wed 31 Oct	Mrs McShane to visit St Paul's Primary
Fri 1 Nov	Feast of All Saints—whole school (depending on number of adult helpers) to Mass in St Brigid's Church at 10:00am
Fri 2 Nov	Mrs N O'Neill to STEM Ambassadors training
Mon 5 Nov	P5 class assembly—parents welcome
Tues 6 Nov	Senior children to Blairvadach
Thurs 8 Nov	Selected children to Gymfest with Mrs N O'Neill
Fri 9 Nov	Parent Council meeting at 7:00pm
Mon 12 Nov	Susan Aitken, local councillor and Leader of Glasgow City Council to visit
Tues 13 Nov	World of Work/Money Week
Wed 14 Nov	Class awards assembly
Mon 19 Nov	Holyrood Learning Community Public Speaking competition at 4:30pm
Tues 20 Nov	Teachers from St Francis' Primary and St Paul's (Whiteinch) Primary to visit P4a and Mrs McShane
Wed 21 Nov	Book Week Scotland—please see times for parents to visit classes
Fri 23 Nov	Mrs Scott to South Local Improvement Group meeting
Mon 26 Nov	Transition meeting at 6:30pm in Holyrood Secondary for P7 parents
Tues 27 Nov	P5 to Kelvingrove Museum
Wed 28 Nov	Mrs Moretti to Parental Engagement Using Technology
Sat 1 Dec	Mrs Scott and two children to Civic Reception celebrating centenary of 1918 Education Act
Mon 10 Dec	Flu vaccination for children
	P7/6 to Prayer Breakfast at Holyrood Secondary - Catholic Education Week
	Ms Watters to visit St Francis' Primary
	Christmas Fete 11:00am—1:00pm
	P3a class assembly—parents welcome

Please telephone the school office if you are able to help with any of the above outings, particularly the visit to Mass on 1 November.

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

### Save the Dates

Wed 12 Dec	Nativity Play and Christmas Concert at 9:30am
Thurs 13 Dec	Nativity Play and Christmas concert at 1:30pm
Wed 19 Dec	Class parties

More information will follow in the December newsletter.

