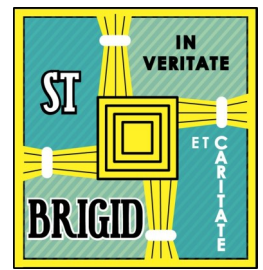




St Brigid's Primary Newsletter



December 2019

In truth and love

From the Head Teacher's desk

What a start to December with the news that St Brigid's have won the School Sport Award at the Scottish Sports Awards. This has been awarded to us in recognition of the high level of participation of our children in sport for fun and fitness as well as the many events and titles that our various squads have won over the last few years. Although this has been a team effort, a special mention must go to Mr Woods who has worked tirelessly, in conjunction with our Active School coordinators, Stephen Thompson and Natalie Swinney, to ensure that our children have as many opportunities to find a sport that suits everyone. Thanks to everyone who has helped us achieve this award; we are truly honoured to have our work recognised at national level.

As ever November was a busy month with lots going on. In P7, Riley Scott and Ewan Purdie took part in the annual public speaking event at Holyrood Secondary. We were delighted to receive the third place trophy. My thanks to Mr Cannon who helped prepare the children so well. P7 also attended a retreat in Holyrood where they participated in activities to strengthen their faith and also have the opportunity to work with future S1s from other schools in the Learning Community.

November saw the very first tea with the Head Teacher. It was a pleasure to have time with children from each class as special recognition for their efforts within and/or outwith the classroom.

Catholic Education week encouraged us to further reflect on the Gospel Values. It was lovely to speak to the congregation in St Brigid's Parish on Education Sunday about the importance of our Catholic schools and the vital partnership between school, parish and home in the spiritual development of our children. It was lovely to see so many children there in their school uniforms. The liturgy for our December First Friday Mass was prepared beautifully by P5a and Ms Wilkinson; Fr Byrne was very impressed with their knowledge about Advent and St Nicholas. Well done P5a!

I am delighted to inform you that we have secured a Gaelic tutor, Ruairidh Cormack, who will work with P1 to P4 classes on a weekly basis until June 2020. This is a great opportunity for children to transfer the skills they are using in learning French to learning Gaelic as well. Gur a math a thèid leotha!

Thank you to all children, staff, parents and partners who have worked tirelessly for our children over the last year. I wish you all a very peaceful and holy Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Paul Cassidy Head Teacher



Parent Council Christmas Fete

On behalf of our children and staff, I would like to thank our hard working Parent Council for their amazing job in organising our Christmas fete. There is an incredible amount of work involved and we are truly grateful for all that you do to ensure that our children receive many additional resources and experiences.

This year's event was one of the busiest I have seen in recent years and my thanks to all our parents and members of our community who supported our Christmas fete.



General Election -

St Brigid's will be used as a polling station for the upcoming General Election on Thursday 12th of December. The school will be closed to children on that day.

School closes for Christmas Holiday

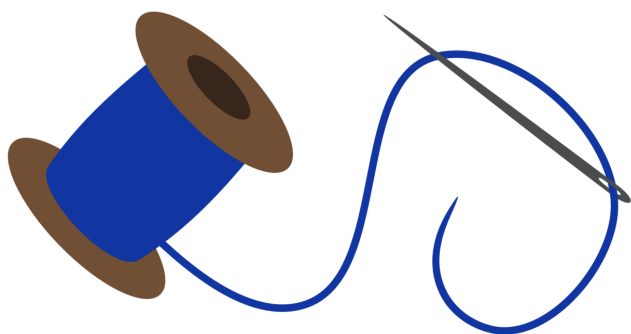
Thursday 19 December
at **2:30pm**
and re-opens
Monday 6 January 2020



Sewing Club for Parents/ Carers



There will be a weekly sewing club for parents/carers starting in the school in January 2020. This will be facilitated by a tutor from Clyde College and is a great opportunity for parents/carers to either learn a new skill or further develop an existing one. It is open to all parents/carers on a first come, first served basis. It is running for 12 weeks and will allow those who attend to receive some credits towards a qualification from Clyde College. There will be more information on the type of qualification provided at the first session. Please watch out for fliers coming home later this week with dates and further information on how you can secure a place—it would be great to see you!



Diary Dates



Mon 9 Dec	Nativity Play and Christmas Concert dress rehearsal for nurseries, senior parishioners and the care home
Tue 10 Dec	Nativity Play and Christmas Concert at 9:30am
Wed 11 Dec	Nativity Play and Christmas concert at 1:30pm
Thurs 12 Dec	General Election—School closed to pupils
Fri 13 Dec	School Christmas lunch P1-P3 Christmas Party
Mon 16 Dec	P4-P5 Christmas Party
Tues 17 Dec	P6-P7 Christmas Party
Wed 18 Dec	Whole school Carol Service in St Brigid's Church at 1:30pm—all welcome
Thurs 19 Dec 2019	School closes at 2:30pm
Mon 6 Jan 2020	School reopens at 9:00am
Thurs 23 Jan	Pantomime for all children Parent Council Meeting



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Nativity Play

(P1 & P2)

and

Christmas Around the World

(P3–P7)

Tuesday 10 December at 9:30am
Wednesday 11 December at 1:30pm

Tickets: price £3 each (children under 5 who sit on an adult's knee are free).

There are still tickets available please purchase asap to avoid disappointment.

