

St Brigid's Primary Newsletter



December 2022

In Veritate et Caritate, In truth and love

From the Head Teacher's desk

The past few weeks have been an utter joy as we practise and rehearse for our Christmas concerts, Nativity and Baby Strings extravaganza too. We are so looking forward to showcasing the talent we have in St Brigid's Primary and performing for our family and friends in person for the first time at Christmas since December 2019. I am sure that this will be a joyous moment for families too.

We are now in our very important season of Advent which marks the start of the Christian year. It is the four weeks before Christmas. This is the time for Christians to prepare for the celebration of the birth of Jesus and look forward to the time that Jesus will come again. We will continue to pray that during the season of Advent we will overcome any challenges we face as we keep in mind the peace, love and joy of the season.

I wish to say a huge congratulations to Mr Cannon, Miss Kavanagh and Miss Sweeney who have successfully completed the Improving Our Classrooms programme. This is a significant professional learning experience which our teachers undertook last session. Well done to all involved.

P2 and P3 parents and carers were invited into school for Read Write Count sessions led by Mrs Colrain and supported by Miss Kavanagh, Mr McManus, Mr Walker and Mr White. At the sessions, parents and carers were given ideas and practical tips on supporting reading at home and they also created an art activity together. Thank you to everyone involved.

Thank you to the parents and carers of P6 & P7 who came to the information evening about the Dalguise Residential Trip and God's Loving Plan content at Second Level. Thanks to Mrs Moretti for leading the Dalguise session and Mr Woods for being on hand to answer any questions.

A huge well done to P6/5 and P4 who shared the learning during their class assemblies. It was wonderful to see how well attended the assemblies were by our families. We hope you enjoyed joining in with our action hymn, 'His banner over me is love'.

During November, our Sports Captains led an assembly detailing all of the wonderful sporting opportunities that the children have in St Brigid's and how to achieve a Bronze, Silver and Gold Sports Award for Participation in Sport.

Over the last month, our children have attended the following sporting events. Selected P4 & P5 children went to a football event at Toryglen Football Centre. Our P6 & p7 Girls also attended a football event there. Our P7 mixed Badminton teams finished in 2nd place at the South Primary Schools Finals. Owen McAulay in P7a has been selected for the Glasgow Schools Select team following trials involving hundreds of children in the city; a fantastic achievement Owen!



Thank you again to all children, staff, parents and partners who have worked tirelessly for our children over the last year. A detailed list of Christmas activities is in the diary overleaf.

I wish you all a very peaceful and holy Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Paal Cassidy Head Teacher

House Points

Well done to Jupiter for being the winners of our House Points from September to November!

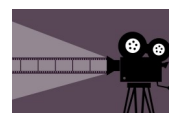
They had a wonderful trip to the cinema to see Sing 2!



Christmas Movie Night

We are looking forward to our Christmas Movie Night on Thursday 8 December 2022 at 6:30pm in the school hall.

There are still some tickets available to purchase on ParentPay.



Contacting the school

A gentle reminder that Showbie is not to be used for contacting class teachers about specific issues.



If your child is in P1-P3 and you wish to discuss an issue, please contact Mrs Wishart, Depute Head Teacher.

If your child is in P4-P7 and you wish to discuss an issue, please contact Ms Shaw, Depute Head Teacher.

Both can we be contacted on the Head Teacher e-mail—

headteacher@st-brigids-pri.glasgow.sch.uk

Please mark for the attention of Mrs Wishart or Ms Shaw as appropriate

But the quickest and easiest way to contact them is by phoning the school office on [0141 647 3952](tel:01416473952)



Thurs 8 Dec Christmas Jumper Day
Christmas Movie Night at 6:30pm

Tues 13 Dec Christmas Concert P3-P7 & P1-P2
Nativity at 9:30am

Wed 14 Dec Christmas Concert P3-P7 & P1-P2
Nativity at 1:30pm

Thurs 15 Dec Christmas Concert P3-P7 & P1-P2
Nativity at 9:30am

Tues 20 Dec **Carol Service in St Brigid's Church at 10:00am—all parents & carers invited.**
New

P1-P3 Christmas Party

Wed 21 Dec P4-P5 Christmas Party

Thurs 22 Dec P6-P7 Christmas Party

Christmas Show and Nativity

Tickets are still available for our school show

(dates and time in column opposite)

Our P3-P7 children are presenting the Grinch



Our P1-P2 children are presenting the First Nativity



Family's Connect

During November, we finished our 8 week Families Connect Programme with parents and carers from P1 and P2.

A huge thank you to Mrs Wishart and Mrs Simpson for their work in organising and facilitating the programme. The feedback has been extremely positive and we look forward to running this again in the future.

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<http://www.st-brigids-pri.glasgow.sch.uk/>

Pupil Absence Reporting Line:

0141 287 0039

<https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=18832>

Parent Council email address:

st.brigidsparentcouncil@yahoo.co.uk

**St. Brigid's Primary are having a
Christmas Jumper Day on
Thursday 8th December 2022
to raise funds for Save the Children!**

**Any donation would be greatly received
either on ParentPay or you can send in
money with your child/ren.**



**Please note child/ren can wear their
Christmas Jumper with their uniform or
other clothes of their choice.**

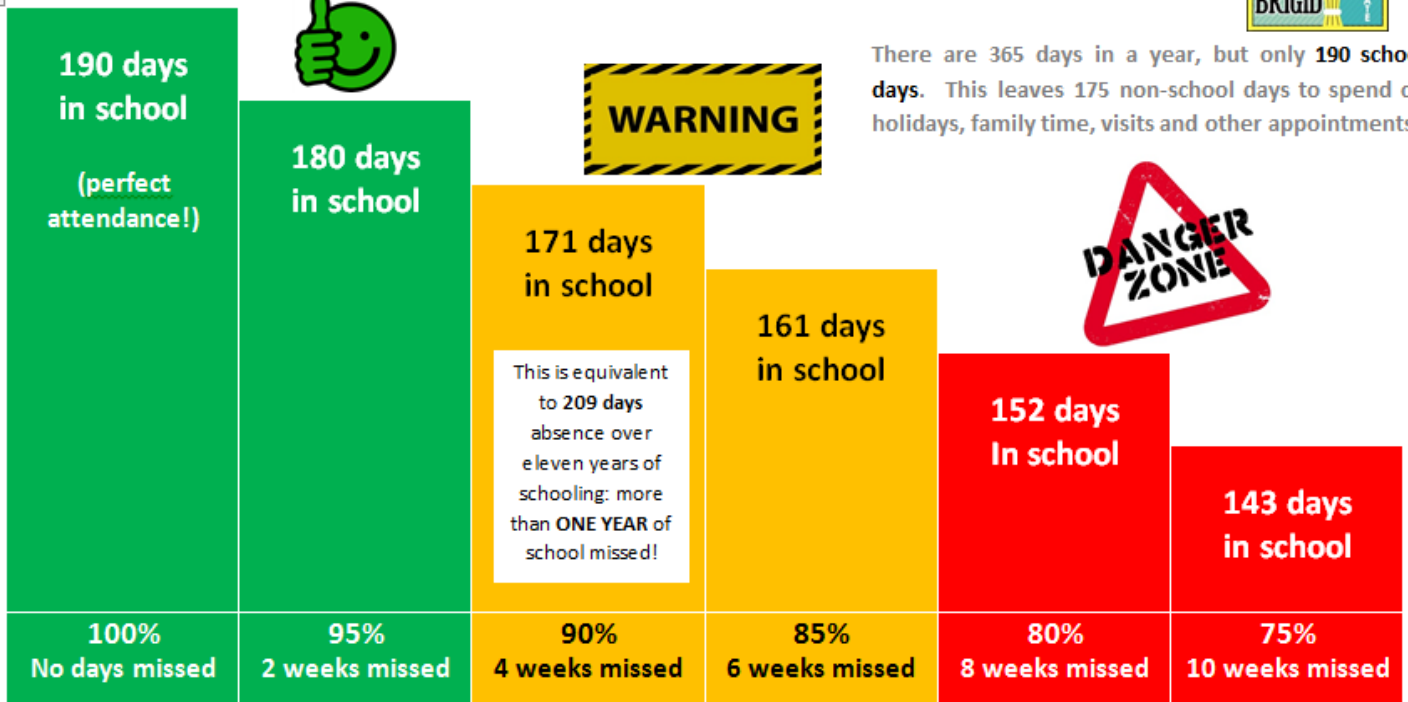


Attendance

Below is some handy information about attendance—please read carefully and remember to inform the absence line if your child is going to be absent on **0141 287 0039** or using the website **www.glasgow.gov.uk/pupilabsence**



Understanding your child's attendance percentage



There are 365 days in a year, but only 190 school days. This leaves 175 non-school days to spend on holidays, family time, visits and other appointments.

This level of attendance gives your child the **best possible chance** of making good progress and having success in their learning

This level of attendance is **worrying**. It will make it harder for your child to make good progress and they are less likely to have success in their learning

This level of attendance is **extremely concerning**. It will be very difficult for your child to make good progress in their learning and there is likely to be a serious impact on their success in school

ATTENDANCE MATTERS... every school day counts!

SAVE TIME GO ONLINE
www.glasgow.gov.uk

Pupil Absence Reporting ONLINE

Primary and Secondary Mainstream Schools Only

Absences and appointments must be reported by the named contact for the pupil as held by the school

REASON

- All Pupil Sickness Related Absences
- Medical / Dental Appointments for up to one day

WHEN

- From 1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th day of sickness. Report before 09:30 hrs*
- Up to 4 weeks in advance or on the day for emergencies

CONTACT

Pupil Absence Reporting Team

www.glasgow.gov.uk/pupilabsence

*Absences reported after 09:30 hrs may result in Parent/Carer receiving notification from the school that the pupil is absent

It is essential that all schools monitor the responses from parents/carers after TBCs have been sent. Schools should then update the pupil's register with the appropriate absence code.

Any other reasons including:

- Religious / Parental holiday requests
- Illness of a family member
- Children's panel
- Funerals
- Bereavements
- All exceptional circumstances
- All other appointments

In advance or on the day

Parent to phone school

Further info please visit www.Glasgow.gov.uk/pupilabsence