

# St Brigid's Primary Newsletter



#### January 2020

#### In truth and love

### From the Head Teacher's desk

very Happy New Year to you all! December was a very busy month with our celebrations for Christmas and also our success as St Brigid's won the School Sport Award at the Scottish Sports Awards.

As ever our children made us incredibly proud as P1 and P2 performed our Nativity play, 'The First Nativity' and our P3-P7 children performed 'Christmas Around the World' where our children sang in no fewer than six languages. My thanks to all the members of staff for their support with a special mention to Ms Wilkinson who supported me in accompanying the children so beautifully on the cello.

On the second last day before the end of term, the whole school attended a stunning Christmas Carol Service in St Brigid's Church. Thanks to Fr Byrne for hosting as well as our readers, our parents, parishioners and of course our wonderful children for making the service so special.

We were very grateful to our Parish St Vincent de Paul Society, who donated a selection box for each and everyone of our children. Many thanks to the SVDP society for this generous gift.

On our very first day back and in what is becoming an annual tradition, we welcomed the theatre company M&M productions who performed their production of Dick Whittington. The children thoroughly enjoyed the performance and again their behaviour was exemplary. The school liaison representative commented on the children's excellent behaviour and participation. A couple of our teachers got to show off their dance moves too! My thanks to our Parent Council who have contributed to the cost of the pantomime as part of a Christmas gift to all of our children.

On Monday 20 January, we will hold an assembly to celebrate children's attendance. Please remember that attendance in school is vital to giving our children the best possible chances to achieve success. There is still time to improve attendance figures so **let's work to make these figures the best that they can be!** 

We are currently two full time teachers down due to absence. I have contacted the Authority's supply team and I am hoping they source teachers for us as soon as possible.

Paul Cassidy

#### Head Teacher

#### **Enrolment for P1 August 2020**

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.

#### **Continued Sporting Success!**

We continue to be delighted with the success of our physical activity programme! Here are our statistics for session 18/19. My thanks to all staff for their commitment to physical activity through our curriculum to ensure our children are fit and active. A special thanks to Mr Woods for organising the vast majority of clubs and our attendance at events.



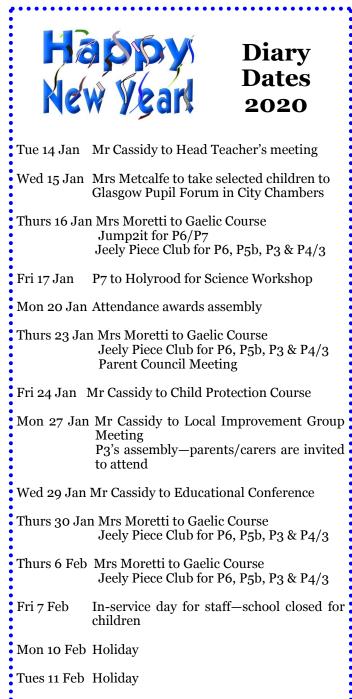
are seeking businesses who may be interested in sponsoring one of our teams to provide new kit. Please contact Mr Woods at the school if you know of any business who would be interested in this.

#### **February Break**

The school will be closed from Friday 7 February to Wednesday 12 February 2020. Friday and Wednesday are In-Service Days.



School reopens to children on Thursday 13 February.



Wed 12 Feb In-service day for staff—school closed for children

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## Sewing Club for Parents/Carers



Our weekly sewing group for parents/carers is starting on Tuesday 14 Jan at 9:30-11:30 and is running until April 2020. This is 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. We have 12 parents on the list and we will create a waiting list for others who are interested; please contact the office if you wish your name to be added to this list.



## Baby Strings

I am delighted to inform you that St Brigid's will be taking part in the Baby Strings programme.

Baby Strings is part of Glasgow City Council's CREATE music programme, which was set up in January 2016 by Glasgow Education Services to raise attainment and achievement across city schools.

The programme involves all P1 to p3 children learning to play either the violin, viola or cello as part of a string orchestra. The school has purchased instruments and we are waiting for 2 tutors to be appointed who will work with the classes. This is a very exciting opportunity. For P4-P6 children, there will be an opportunity to learn violin in P7 but I am looking at how we can fund more musical tuition for P4-P6 stages. Please follow the newsletter for updates.

