

## St Brigid's Primary Newsletter



January/February 2024

#### From the Head Teacher's desk

e have had an incredibly calm, purposeful and settled start to 2024. Our children have returned from the holidays full of enthusiasm for their

As ever, December was an extremely busy and exciting month full of events, concerts and visitors. Huge Congratulations to all of our children who took part in both the P1-P2 Nativity Play as well as the P3-P7 Christmas Show, The True Meaning of Christmas. We are so lucky in St Brigid's that every single child has the opportunity to perform at the Christmas Shows. Staff work extremely hard to ensure that this is the case. Moreover, all children participated in our Baby Strings Christmas concert. The confidence, skill and technique displayed during the concerts was outstanding. Huge thanks to our tutors for their hard work in preparing our musicians.

Children were also treated to a wonderful Christmas lunch with table cloths, Christmas crackers and party hats. They were served at the tables by school staff and were entertained by Christmas tunes. Children enjoyed Christmas Parties and many of our youngest children received a special visitor and selection boxes donated by St Vincent de Paul and other local charities. The children also took part in Christmas Sparkle day to raise money for the Parent Council. The children were also treated to a panto here in school; Cinderella was a huge hit, if not a little noisy for some. Our choirs performed at various locations including Orchard Grove Care Home, Asda and the Cornerstone. We finished an extremely eventful festive season with a beautiful and calm Carol Concert in St Brigid's Church. Thank you to our readers and Fr Byrne for leading the service. It was great to see so many parents, carers and parishioners at the service.

I would like to give my thanks and congratulations to our P7/6 class and Miss Gallagher who led our December First Friday Mass; it was a lovely celebration. Last term also saw Scottish Ballet Workshops take place in the school for P4 and P6/5 took part in a workshop to develop their enterprise skills. In addition, Gymfest took place in the Lagoon Leisure Centre in Paisley and our gymnasts did a fantastic routine; thanks to Louise, our coach for preparing them so well.

During January, it has been a pleasure to welcome so many of our parents and carers into our classrooms to share the learning. This had a been a long tradition before Covid restrictions and it is great to be in a position to now offer these visits again. A parental questionnaire will be issued in due course as we would really appreciate your feedback. Thanks to everyone who has given extremely positive, informal feedback to far. Thank you to our teachers for facilitating these visits. What a team!

Finally, a huge congratulation to P4 who started off January with a literal bang as they played fabulous samba rhythms as part of their class assembly.

Paul Cassidy Executive Head Teacher

## **Feast of St Brigid**



The feast of St Brigid is on Thursday the 1st of February.

Mass will be celebrated in school on Thursday afternoon at 1:30pm. Parents & Carers are free to join us, but please let the office know if you intend to come to the Mass as we have limited numbers and have to organise seating.

We will have a special fun day on Friday to celebrate and details of this are at the back of the Newsletter.

## **House Point Winners**

As part of our House System, our children have 6 periods/ opportunities to win the most house points in order to be crowned the winning house for any of any of the specific periods of time over the school year.

Our Period 2 winners were

## Jupiter



They had a wonderful trip to Innoflate!

Our Period 3 winners were Mars





They had a wonderful trip to Flipout!

Well done everyone! A huge thanks also to Mr Woods for organising the trips!

## Wider Achievement—Update on After School Sports Clubs

#### Monday

P3 multisports (P3 children in P3/2 and P3) from Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January until Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February in gym hall P3 and P4 multisports (children in P4/3 and P4) from Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February until Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March in gym hall

#### **Tuesday**

P5-P6 badminton from Tuesday from Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January until Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February in gym hall.

#### Wednesday

P4-P7 dance (2 groups) from Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February until Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March in gym hall & assembly hall

#### **Thursday**

P5-P7 volleyball from Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February until Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March in gym hall P5-P7 rugby from Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January until Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February in assembly hall

Sign up to all after school sports clubs is now taking place using QR Codes that are being sent home. If you would like your child to sign up for these then please sign up by the deadline on the form, as after this date the QR code will no longer be able to be accessed.

#### **Lunchtime Sports Clubs**

P4-P7 gymnastics on Tue/Thu in gym hall.

P6-P7 netball club on Mon/Fri lunchtime in gym hall

P7 athletics club on Tue/ Thu on the pitch

#### **Upcoming Sports Events**

Selected P6-P7 to attend netball event on Thu 29<sup>th</sup> Feb at Holyrood 2pm-4pm

Selected gymnasts to Floor and Vault Gymnastics event on Wed 6<sup>th</sup> March at Bellahouston Sports Centre 9.30am-2pm

Dance groups to perform at City of Dance event on Tue 12<sup>th</sup> March (evening event - time TBC) Selected P7s to attend athletics event at Emirates Arena on Wed 20<sup>th</sup> March 9.30am-2.30pm.

## Diary Dates— February/March

Thurs 1 Feb	Mass in School for St Brigid's Day at 1:30pm
Mon 5 Feb	Rag Bag Collection Childsmile Flouride Varnishing P1-P4
	<u>February Mid-term break</u>
	Monday 12th February 2024 Tuesday 13th February 2024
	Wednesday 14th February 2024 (In-Service)
Tues 20 Feb	House Winner announced for Period 4
Mon 26 Feb to Fri 1 Mar	P7s to Blairvadach
Fri 1 Mar	First Friday Mass in school at 1:30pm
Tues 3 Mar	P2 Assembly at 2:00pm
Thurs 7 Mar	World Book Day—Details to Follow
Mon 18 Mar Thurs 21 Mar	Health Week
Thurs 21 Mar	Parents' Night

### **Blairvadach**

P7, Mrs Moretti, Mr Woods and Miss Gallagher are very exciting about their upcoming residential to Blairvadach Outdoor Centre.

The children and staff will be away from Monday 26th of February to Friday 1st of March. Mr Cassidy will also pop down to see the children.

Huge thanks to all staff for giving so freely of their time to accompany the children.

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# St Brigid's Feast Day

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February is the Feast Day of St Brigid we will celebrate Mass together in school at 1:30pm.



On Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February we will have some special Feast Day fun. We would like you to come dressed wearing your favourite colour to represent St Brigid's cloak.

There will be a lots of activities and special surprises!



Fun Friday is coming 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024!

