



St Brigid's Primary Newsletter



March/April 2026

In truth and love

From the Head Teacher's desk

What another busy few weeks we have had here in St Brigid's. Back in February, to celebrate the Feast day of our Patroness St Brigid, Fr Allan welcomed our children and staff to a beautiful service led by our Mini Vinnies. Thank you to Mrs McShane for preparing the children so well!

It has been so lovely to welcome some of our P1 and P2 parents and carers to our Families Connect classes. Mrs Simpson and Mr Woods are thoroughly enjoying working with our families. The classes will continue after the Easter break.

Thank you to Mrs Din and Mrs Walsh for organising a wonderful World Book Day celebration on the 6th March. All children participated in a variety of activities in the comfort of their pjs. The children were also able to use their World Book Day tokens to select and keep a book thanks to the stall set up by Mt Florida Books-the children loved the opportunity to select their own personal reading books in our school library. We also welcomed some of our parents/carers to our infant department to read stories to the classes. Thank you to all parents/carers who were able to join us and share in the joy of reading!

We have had lots of fantastic sports performances this term with our P7 athletics team performing admirably at the Super 7s event at the Emirates Arena. Our Monday dance troupe strutted their stuff at the City of Dance event at Holyrood Secondary; thanks to Miss Gallagher for her time in preparing the children for this. Our Wednesday dance troupe performed their dance routine for parents/carers in the school. On the same day, children in P3/2 and P3 showcased what they had learned with their dance coach during P.E. lessons to their parents/carers. Thank you to all parents/carers for coming to see the performances. Many of our children have had the opportunity to represent St Brigid's at football events this year; they have demonstrated skill and great teamwork at all times- we have such talented children!

You will have noticed that there is a project underway to redevelop an area within the infant playground, located on Glenmore Avenue. Sowing Seeds have been working hard over the last 2 weeks to transform this area into a multi-sensory outdoor learning space for all our children to explore and enjoy. We are looking forward to seeing what our new outdoor learning environment will look like when it is finished. This area will be utilised by all classes across the school to enhance outdoor learning opportunities.

Some of our classes are also working with Alice from Eco Drama- Out to Play where expressive arts meets the outdoors. This is a huge hit with children and staff- Alice will also conduct training with all school staff to ensure that this great work is developed across the school.

Mhairi Clare Smith Acting Head Teacher

HMIe Inspection Report

We are excited to celebrate and share again our report findings that were published on 3rd March from our inspection in December. I have included our ratings for each Quality Indicator below. We are absolutely delighted that the inspectors have recognised our school so positively. Their findings are a testament to the hard work, dedication, and commitment of our pupils, families, and staff. It truly reflects what a strong and supportive school community we are. Well done Team St Brigid's!

Here are HMIe's evaluations for St. Brigid's RC Primary School

Quality indicators	Evaluation
Leadership of change	very good
Learning, teaching and assessment	very good
Ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion	very good
Raising attainment and achievement	good

Heath Week 2024

Health week will take place during the last week of term.



Monday 30th March to Thursday 2nd April

During Health Week, the children are asked to wear their sports clothes as we are planning lots of physical activities throughout the course of the week.

Please note, no football colours are permitted to be worn during Health Week.

Diary—March/June

Thurs 26th March	Parents' Evening
Fri 27th March	Dress Down Day—Chuck in your Change for Missio House Trip to Flip Out
Mon 30th March— Thurs 2nd April	Health Week—children can wear sports clothes all week No Football Colours please!
Tues 31st March	First Reconciliation in St Brigid's Church 7pm
Thurs 2nd April	School closes 2:30pm for Easter Break
Mon 20th April	School will reopen at 9:00am
Thurs 23rd April	Nursery Transition Lunch— Information shared with Orchard Grove Kindergarten
Tues 28th April	Nursery Transition Lunch— Information shared with Ardnahoe Nursery
Thurs 30th April	Nursery Transition Lunch— Independent Nurseries
Mon 4th May	May Bank Holiday— school reopens Tuesday 5th May
Tues 5th May	Nursery Transition Lunch— Information shared with Ardnahoe Nursery
Thurs 7th May	Staff In-service day—school closed to children
Tues 12th May	Nursery Transition Lunch— Information shared with Ardnahoe Nursery
Sun 17th May	First Holy Communion 11:30am St Brigid's Parish Church
Fri 22nd—Mon 25th May	May Bank holiday—school will reopen Tuesday 26th May
Thurs 28th May	P1 Transition visit to classes 1:30pm
Tues 9th June	Summer Show Night 1
Wed 10th June	Summer Show Night 2

Further June dates to follow after the Easter holidays

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Baby Strings & Glee Club



It is with sadness that we say a fond farewell to Miss McFarlane, one of our Baby Strings tutors as she moves on to pastures new. Miss McFarlane has been with us for 6 years and has been the driving force behind the success of our Baby Strings programme. She has worked tirelessly to share her love of music and in doing so has unlocked musical talents in each and every child.

We wish Miss McFarlane the best of luck— her new schools in Fort William are extremely lucky to have her.

With Miss McFarlane leaving, we are awaiting confirmation of who will replace her. When I have been informed I will share this with the children and parents/carers.

On Thursday 19th February, the Glee Choir performed at Paisley Town Hall in the “Old School, New Cool” Glee Choir Competition. Our children were outstanding in both of their performances. Their second song was definitely the most difficult song of the evening as our children were dancing and singing in another language — Superstars!

A huge thank you to our parents/carers who also attended to support our children.

A huge thank you goes to Mrs Colrain and Mis Gallagher for giving up their time to facilitate the Glee afterschool club and for preparing the children for the competition. These clubs take place due to the dedication and good will of our staff, we are very lucky that the staff volunteer their time so readily to allow our children to experience a variety of extra curricular activities.