



St Brigid's Primary Newsletter



May 2025

In truth and love

From the Head Teacher's desk

I can't believe that we are already in May; the last few months have certainly flown by and March and April were, as ever, incredibly busy.

The senior leadership team thoroughly enjoyed visiting our classes as part of our processes to ensure that the teaching and learning offered to our children is the best that it can be. This snap shot in time is simply a chance for senior leaders to confirm what we already know, which is that high quality teaching and learning is at the heart of our practice and I always enjoy highlighting this to our parents and carers. It was also great to welcome parents and carers to the Parents' Night in March. Thank you to everyone who makes these evenings such a success.

We celebrated World Book Day in style as our staff and children had the chance to come to school in their pyjamas, with some crazy hair,. Our senior pupils helped read to our youngest children and our annual "Where's Wally" scavenger hunt was enjoyed by all.

P1a, P1b, P4b and P5 shared their learning with parents and carers as well as the rest of the school as they delivered wonderful assemblies around their learning. Everyone was blown away with their presentation skills as well as their singing and dancing– what a talented group of children we have! Keep up the great work everyone!

A huge thank you to Mrs Moretti for organising a wonderful World of Work Week. Thank you to the parents/carers and volunteers who visited the school and participated in our careers fayre and presentations to children. Our children were introduced to a variety of interesting career options; we definitely have some budding scientists, lawyers, engineers, designers and entrepreneurs in the making.

Our final week of term was devoted to both our physical health and our spiritual health as Health Week coincided with Holy Week. Health week was another triumph and I am sure that your children have told you all about the week and the vast amount of activities on offer. The delivery of Health Week is a team effort but I want to take this opportunity to thank Mr Woods for organising the whole week. It is not easy coordinating so many partners, coaches, teachers and activities.

Our transition programme for new P1 entrants is well underway and it has been lovely to see so many of the children visit us with their nurseries and parents. All children have been sent a letter by post with details of their next visit to school. We are looking forward to seeing you all very soon.

All of our P4 children have recently been treated to an afternoon of music making as the Baby Strings tutors gave a short concert followed by workshops.

Huge congratulations to Mr Gary White who, after a period of 4 years here in St Brigid's, has been appointed permanently to the teaching staff . We are delighted to finally say that Mr White is a fully fledged member of the St Brigid's family!

Mhairi Clare Smith

Acting Head Teacher

Entering the School Building/Playground

Just a reminder that for the safety of all children, adults are only permitted to enter the school building via the main door at the school office. Please report to the office and a member of staff will assist you. Also both playgrounds are not supervised until 8:50am by a member of SLT.

With the lovely weather, we understand that the school run is an ideal time to walk your furry friends, however, dogs are not permitted within the school playgrounds. We would also ask that there is no smoking/vaping in the playgrounds during pick up time at 3pm.

If your child is bringing a bike/scooter to school and they line up in the playground located on Glenmore Avenue, we would ask that you drop off the bike/scooter to the bike shed which is located in the playground on Prospecthill Road before your child is dropped off to line up. As we do not have the space inside the school to store the bikes/scooters. We appreciate your help and understanding with this matter.

School Improvement Priorities



From recent survey results shared by Glasgow City Council, it was highlighted that parents/carers would like further information on how schools use assessment throughout the year .

This year, our teaching staff have been engaging in professional learning focused on Assessment, as part of Glasgow's city-wide approach to highly effective learning and teaching. This training supports our commitment to helping all learners achieve high-quality outcomes through consistent, research-informed classroom practice.

Throughout the training, staff have taken part in professional dialogue with colleagues, reflecting on key research and ideas around assessing pupils' learning. They have explored the purpose of assessment, including the principles behind ongoing (formative), periodic, standardised, and high-quality (holistic) assessment.

As part of this work, teachers have been developing their confidence in:

- Reflecting on evidence-based strategies to improve learning and teaching practice;
- Embedding aspects of highly effective pedagogy into daily routines to ensure positive, measurable outcomes for pupils.
- Leading and contributing to meaningful discussions that support practical approaches to embedding the learning, teaching and assessment cycle.

We are proud of the professional growth our staff continue to demonstrate, and we look forward to seeing the continued impact on learners' experiences in the classroom. We will continue to keep you updated and ensure you are part of our improvement journey.

Diary—May/June

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| Wed 21st May | Sports Day—Children to wear sports clothes in their team colour, sun cream and a hat |
| Thurs 22nd May | Staff In-service day—school closed to children |
| Fri 23rd & Mon 26th May | May Bank holiday—school will reopen Tuesday 27th May |
| Thurs 29th May | Mass 1:30 in school— Feast of the Ascension New P1 Entrants Parents & children Stay and Play Session 3:15-3:45pm P4a & P4b to visit Pinsent Masons' offices |
| Fri 30th May | House trip to Flip Out for Saturn & Mars |
| Wed 4th June | New P1 children to visit classes Parent information session 1:45-2:30pm |
| Fri 6th June | First Friday Mass in St Brigid's Church 10am |
| Mon 9th Jun | School show dress rehearsal |
| Tues 10th Jun | P7 pupils Visit to Holyrood Secondary School Show—Evening performance 7pm |
| Wed 11th Jun | P7 pupils Visit to Holyrood Secondary School Show Evening performance 7pm |
| Thurs 12th June | P7 pupils Visit to Holyrood Secondary |
| Mon 16th Jun | P7 Leavers' Mass—in school |
| Tues 17th Jun | Celebration of Achievement P1-3—9:30am & P4-7—1:30pm |
| Thurs 19th Jun | P7 Leavers' Disco |
| Wed 25th Jun | School closes for Summer break at 1 pm |

Stay and Play Session

All new P1 children joining us in August are invited to attend a Stay and Play session with their parents/carers on Thursday 29th May at 3:15. If attending, please enter the school by the main office door. Looking forward to seeing you all then!

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<http://www.glasgow.gov.uk/>

Parent Council email address:

StBrigidsParentCouncil@outlook.com

Praying the Rosary



A reminder that we will be praying the Rosary at 8:50am each morning during the month of May in the **Music Room/ICT Suite**.

Please encourage your child to attend. Parents/carers and parishioners are also most welcome to join us.
Entry is by the main office door.

House Point Winners

Congratulations to our period 5 winners Saturn and our period 6 winners, Mars.

After meeting with the Captains and Vice Captains, both houses will visit Flip Out together on Friday 30th May. Mr Woods will send out a separate letter to all children in both houses with all the details.

In order to attend, parents/carers must complete an online waiver for Flip Out. If you scan the QR code below, it will take you to this. Please note, without this being completed, your child will be unable to take part in activities in Flip Out. Please complete this by Wednesday 21st May.



P7 and P6 will be performing

High School Musical

on
Tuesday 10 June
and
Wednesday 11 June
At 7:00pm



Tickets priced £4 each will go on sale, initially to P6 and P7 parents on Tuesday 20th May. All remaining tickets will then go on general sale on Tuesday 27th May.

Sports Day 21st of May 2025

We are looking forward to welcoming spectators to our school sports day. Due to limited space, I do have to ask Parents/Carers to stand outside the pitch fence as we need the space for the events. We are looking forward to seeing everyone on the day! It is forecast to be a scorcher of a day so please ensure your child has suncream applied before attending school and that they have a hat.

P4-P7 Event 9:30am-10:30am

P1-P3 Event 1:30pm-2:30pm



Glee Club

After months of rehearsals, 30 pupils participated in our first ever National Glee Challenge at Paisley Town Hall on Tuesday, 1st April. We competed against seven other schools, singing songs from Scottish rock and pop artists. It was such an exciting event from start to finish. On arrival we had a sound check and met some of the other performers. While eating dinner, we eagerly awaited the audience to arrive and saw lots of friendly, familiar faces in the crowd who had come to cheer us on. When it was finally our turn to perform, we sang and danced our hearts out and were given great feedback from the judges, who said we were very articulate, had a lovely blend of voices and worked really well as a group. High praise indeed! After all the schools performed, they announced the winner of the night. St Brigid's didn't win but we had such a fantastic time that we are already thinking about next year. The children were an absolute credit to the school and their families.

Mrs Colrain and Miss Gallagher would like to thank Mr Woods and Mrs Roberston for helping on the night, the Parent Council for supplying the t-shirts and to all the parents/carers for supporting the Glee Choir on this new venture. Look out for us next year!



Parent Council Update

What a year it has been for the parent council! We have held a Christmas Fayre, helped the Glee Choir look like the professional performers that they are and contributed to the school planting more trees for our future generations - and we aren't done yet! The majority of the work done by the parent council really takes place at the end of the year with school shows, parties and welcoming the new primary 1 pupils and their parents into the wonderful St Brigid's family.

The Primary 6 and 7 children have all been working very hard on their school show, therefore the Parent Council will be in attendance both nights, hosting a tuck shop. We all know how warm the hall can be, so we will be selling drinks and some small snacks therefore if you aren't bringing your own refreshments, make sure to bring some change and you can buy some from us as well as contributing to school funds at the same time!

The Primary 1 induction day will be held on Wednesday 4th June at 1pm, so the parent council will also be in attendance at that selling school ties, hair baubles and generally making sure that the new parents feel included as we all know how scary it can be to send your little ones off to school! We have arranged for some local businesses to attend too, such as the local swimming group and Toryglen Larder, so if anyone has any further ideas or suggestions of good groups that the parents would appreciate from having more information on, please let us know at our email address below.

The Primary 7 leavers disco will be taking place on Thursday the 19th June from 6.30pm until 8pm. At 8pm, all Primary 7 parents are invited to come into the hall and get some of those last Primary 7 school pictures taken of the children and their friends. We will have some props and decorations up on the night for the children, so you will have the chance to capture those memories! As with all school events, please only take photos for your own personal use and don't share on social media.

To re-iterate Mrs Smith's update, the parent council also want to congratulate Mr White on his permanent role within the school - he has been an asset to the school since joining a few years ago so we are delighted with this news!

And finally, as it is getting towards the end of the year, some of our parent council members (including myself!) will be moving on to pastures new, so we will be looking for more parent volunteers and assistance from August. Being a member of the parent council doesn't take up a lot of time and the things that we get to arrange and do are great for the children and really help keep the school engaged - whether this be with parents, the church or the local community as a whole. Sometimes, you even get to sit near the front at a school show.

I would appreciate if you could genuinely consider joining next year - even if you can't support every activity or event - it really goes a long way in the wellbeing of the children.

Please continue to pass any ideas or suggestions on to us at StBrigidsParentCouncil@outlook.com and we look forward to seeing you at the shows and welcoming some new members in August!

Many thanks,

Dawn - Parent Council Chairperson