



St Brigid's Primary Newsletter



November 2023

In truth and love

From the Head Teacher's desk

Term 2 has arrived already. The staff started November celebrating All Saints Day Mass in St Brigid's Church. Thank you to Fr Byrne for such a lovely service. We very much missed having our children with us due to the school closure.

During the month of October, all members of our school community had the opportunity to say a decade of the Rosary before school. October is the month that is dedicated to the Rosary. It was great to see so many children and staff praying together to start the day. Thank you also to Miss Sweeney, Mrs Colrain and Mr Woods who led the Rosary on various days when I wasn't in school. It would be great to see some parents & carers too when the morning Rosary resumes in May.



I also held an assembly with the children where I explored the miraculous events which happened in Fatima, Portugal in 1917. Our Lady appeared to three children and told them to tell the world to undertake four actions. They were to pray the Rosary everyday, to say sorry when we are or have done wrong, to pray for all souls to go to Heaven and to pray for peace in the world. The last of these being particularly relevant as we watch conflicts unfold in front of us across the world. **Let's take some time to pray for peace in the world.**

As part of our sharing the learning programme, P3/2 presented a wonderful assembly of their work in Religious Education. Thanks to all parents and carers who were able to attend.

A huge thank you to all parents & carers who managed along to Parents' Night. It was wonderful to see everyone. We really appreciate all of your positive feedback on the event.

I am delighted to announce that our P4-P7 classes have resumed their weekly sessions of Gaelic language lessons from two native speakers. These lessons take place on Fridays. We also have Mrs Brackenridge from the Youth Music Programme working with our youngest children to develop their music, rhythm and rhythming skills. It is always a joy to welcome her back.

During November, the Senior Leadership Team will be visiting classes to share the learning in Interdisciplinary learning. We can't wait to see the wonderful work taking place.

Lastly, a huge thank you to the families who were able to donate food as part of our harvest celebrations. All donations will go to food banks to support those in need.

Paul Cassidy, Executive Head Teacher

November Month of the Holy Souls



November is the month when we pray for the eternal rest of our deceased family and friends. This year, in our classes, we will continue to remember those who have died. We also pray for those who have lost someone they love and are suffering the pain of grief.

P1 enrolments for August 2024



Enrolment week is from 6th to 10th November. Please register online through Glasgow City Council's website in the School and Learning Section under Starting Primary School.

If you have any issues enrolling, please contact the school office on 0141 647 3952.

House Points

Neptune had a fantastic visit to Flip Out as their treat for being the first House Winner of session 2023-24. What a fabulous trip!

Over the last six weeks, our children across the house groups have been working hard to be crowned the next house group winners! This information will go out week beginning the 6th of November!

The excitement is building!



Head lice

Please remember to regularly check your child's hair for any sign of infection.

For information on how to treat head lice please visit the NHS website or the local pharmacy.



Communication—E-mail



E-mail remains our main method of contacting parents and carers. E-mail has no cost implication to the school and is the most environmentally friendly form of communicating. If you are not receiving e-mails, please check your junk mail and if there are no mails from the school then please contact the school office to check that we have the correct e-mail address on file for you.



Halloween 2023

Thank you to our Parent Council who organised the Halloween Discos! They were a great success! I am also so grateful to our wonderful staff who turned up in high numbers to support the children. Well done team!



Diary Dates—November/December

Tues 7 Nov	Assembly—House Points Winners
Wed 8 Nov	South Final Cross Country
Wed 15 Nov	Parent Council Meeting
Tues 21 Nov	P3 Class Assembly
Mon 27 Nov	Glasgow Sport Awards 2023
Thurs 30 Nov	Gymfest for Senior Gymnasts
Fri 1 Dec	First Friday Mass in school at 1:30pm led by P7/6
Fri 8 Dec	Christmas Sparkle day—Parent Council Event (more info to follow)
Tues 12 Dec	Christmas Concert P3-P7 & P1-P2 Nativity at 9:30am
Wed 13 Dec	Christmas Concert P3-P7 & P1-P2 Nativity at 1:30pm
Thurs 14 Dec	Baby Strings Concert PM—More details to follow
Mon 18 Dec	Panto in school for all children
Tues 19 Dec	P1-P3 Christmas Party
Wed 20 Dec	P4-P5 Christmas Party Christmas Fayre—Parent Council Event (more info to follow)
Thurs 21 Dec	P6-P7 Christmas Party
TBC	Carol service

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Update—Sports

P4 and P4/3 have started a block of football coaching on a Friday morning as part of the Soccer4 programme. Primary 1, P4/3 and P5 have been learning from S6 Sports Leaders from Holyrood.



Some children in P3 have started attending a block of football after school with Mr McManus on a Monday after school. Some children in P2-4 recently represented the school in a football match for the first time playing against UTD Sports Football Academy; they had lots of fun playing whilst wearing the school team kit!

Children in P5-P7 are attending an after school handball club. The date for the P4-5 lunchtime cricket club has been changed; this will now take place towards the end of November, more information to follow.

On 11th October, children in P6 and P7 attended a cross country event at Cathkin Park. They demonstrated our school values of determination, resilience and encouragement on a challenging course. Congratulations to Charlie, Kayla, Jacob, Jayden and Ibrahim in P6 and Joli, Ava, Andrea, Andrew and Cayden in P7 who have qualified for the South Final on Wednesday 8th November at Bella-houston Park. Fantastic achievement!

Some of our gymnasts will be attending the Gymfest event at the Lagoon Leisure Centre in Paisley on Thursday 30th November. **Unfortunately, there is no facility for spectators this year.**

We look forward to re-launching our St Brigid's Sports Awards later this month to celebrate the achievements in sport of children throughout our school and encouraging lifelong participation in sport.

We are absolutely delighted to receive an invitation to attend the Glasgow Sport Awards 2023 at the Emirates Arena on Monday 27th November. This invitation recognises the massive role that physical activity and sport have within our school and also the achievement of being recognised as a Gold award school by SportScotland for the second time.

Christmas Holidays

December - Christmas and New Year

**School will close at 2.30 pm on
Friday 22 December 2023**

**Children to return to school on
Monday 8 January 2024**

