

August Newsletter 2020 Let Our Values Excel



Back to School - Session 2019/20

Dear Parents/Carers

It has been wonderful to welcome all of our pupils back after the long Lockdown Period. The children adapted very quickly to new routines and procedures in school. Well done to all of them. They have been a credit yourselves, returning to school, full of smiles, with enthusiasm and ready to learn again.

Of course, a special mention must go to our Primary 1 pupils who have taken P1 in their stride and have settled in superbly. They are absolute stars!

We are continuing with our entry and exit systems. These should help to ensure that parents/carers can socially distance 2 metres apart, as per regulations from Scottish Government. We also suggest that it is a good idea for adults to wear a mask or face covering when entering our playground or pitch and please keep drop off and pick up to one adult per child.

If your child is P5-P7 and lives not too far away we would encourage your child to walk some of the way and meet you at an agreed a point out with the school grounds, this will help avoid unnecessary congestion. Or they could even walk all the way home if you live within walking distance.

If have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at the school.

(Headteacher@stbartholomews-pri.glasgow.sch.uk)

Mrs A Fitzpatrick (Head Teacher)

Staffing Update

Welcome to Miss McFadden who has joined us and will deliver Health and Wellbeing/Spanish lessons across the school.

Welcome to Mrs Allison who has taken up a job share post in P4 alongside Mrs Andrew, who has returned from maternity leave. Mr Curran has also returned and is working in P7 with our Principal Teacher Mrs Savage. Mr Curran will also be delivering Health and Wellbeing/Spanish lessons across the school. Finally, we welcome Mrs Christina Sweeney a PE Specialist Teacher. Mrs Sweeney will be delivering PE outside to some classes until October.

Annual Data Check/Media Permissions

At the start of each session the school has to update any changes made to pupil information. It is vital that you inform us of any changes to **contact names**, **telephone numbers or medical conditions** which have changed since June. Please contact the school office to update any details for your child. We also require permission to photograph your child for school website, twitter or local newspapers etc. Please return permission form as soon as possible.

Email Addresses

We have sent a text requesting <u>one email</u> address per family, please reply to the text with your email or pick up the phone and let us know. This will improve our methods of communication and allow the newsletter to be emailed directly to you. In the event of another school closure this will be our main way of contacting you.

Primary 1 Parents Only

Please complete and return Data Check forms to the school office by Friday 28th August.

Staffing and Classes for 2020/21

We have 11 classes this session. Please see below for details of the classes and teaching staff.

Primary 1a Ms S Moffat
Primary 1b Miss M Gildea
Primary 2 Mrs E Fitzpatrick
Primary 3/2 Miss S McCarry
Primary 3 Miss F Murphy

Primary 4 Mrs C Allison/Mrs A Andrew

Primary 5 Mrs N Mathers
Primary 5/4 Miss C Burns
Primary 6 Miss A MacDonald
Primary 7/6 Mrs G Sutherland
Primary 7 Mrs Savage/Mr Curran

Pebble Beach Mr Middleton CLOL Literacy Mrs L Small



Senior Leadership Team

Mrs A Fitzpatrick	Head Teacher Whole School Pastoral Responsibility		
Miss C Mullan	Depute Head Teacher	Whole School Pastoral Responsibility	
Ms M Savage	Principal Teacher	Pastoral Responsibility: P6, P7/6,P7	
Mrs L Small	Principal Teacher	Pastoral Responsibility: P4, P5/4,P5	
Mr D Middleton	Principal Teacher	Pastoral Responsibility: P1a/b,P2	
Mrs J Crompton	Acting Principal Teacher	Pastoral responsibility: P3/2, P3	

St Bartholomew - School Feast Day

St. Bartholomew's Feast Day was on Monday 24th August. We celebrated this special day on Monday by holding Class Masses and Prayer Services during the school day.

On Friday 28 August the celebrations for our special day continue with a Non Uniform Movie day and treats. A wonderful way to round off the week!

Dates for your Diary - August- October 2020

<u>September</u>

Friday 25th - September Weekend Monday 30th - September Weekend

October

Friday 9th - Inset Day 3 – pupils off Mon 12th - October Week Holiday Mon 19th - Term 2 Pupils Return



P.E Days Outdoor Learning Days

Mon - P1a, P1b, P3/2, P5/4 Mon - P1a, P1b

Tues - P2, P3,P5,P6 Tues - P2, P7/6

Wed - P3/2,P4,P7/6 Wed - P3/2, P4

Thurs - *P7* Thurs - *P3*, *P6*

Fri - *P5/4*, *P5*, *P7*

Life can be tough - especially after Lockdown



Place2Be is in St Bartholomew's to enhance the emotional well-being of the children. Our Place2Be manager, Rachel Treloar, can be contacted through the school if you would like further information.

Rachel Treloar: School Project Manager (working days Mon, Tue, Wed am)

Beakfast Club/Lunches

Free school meals include all Primary 1-4 pupils. For Primary 5-7 pupils the cost of lunch is still £1.90. At present the school is not taking monetary payments. There is a new BACS system in place and payments are made on a weekly/monthly basis through your bank. Should you require more details regarding BACS payments please phone the school office. Breakfast club is following the same process of BACS. Breakfast club also costs £1.90 per day. With siblings there is a discount.

Wet Mornings

Scottish Government guidance tells us that our children should be out in all weathers. On occasions of extremely wet mornings, pupils are welcomed into the school when they arrive from 8.45am onwards. Pupils should enter through the doors in the playground and not via the main entrance.

Outdoor Learning & PE

In line with advice from the Scottish Government, children will be outside for playtime and lunchtime every day. Can we ask that you send your child to school with a waterproof jacket please? Children will require waterproof jackets for Outdoor Learning, which is timetabled once a week.

All **PE lessons will** take place outside, in all weathers. PE will take place once a week this term. Full PE kit is not required for the moment, however if you would like to send your child to school PE kit under uniform this will be permitted. Children are required to bring a change of shoes for PE if possible please. **Please note some classes have PE twice weekly due to PE from a Specialist Teacher.**

Mobile Phones/Game Equipment/Smart Watches

Many pupils have been bringing mobile phones, PSPs, and Smart Watches into school. I advise you that such items are best kept at home in case of loss or breakage in school. After consultation with parents the overwhelming majority of parents/carers agreed that mobile phones should not be allowed in the school. Any parent wishing their child to have a phone, for use after 3pm to aid after school arrangements, is required to write to the Headteacher to request permission. Any child found using a phone at any time during the school day will have their parent/carer contacted immediately.

Covid Symptoms

The symptoms are the onset of a **persistent cough**, or a **temperature/fever** or a **loss of taste or smell**. You only need one of these to be tested. This can be done by calling 0800 028 2816 or visiting the NHS Inform website – www.nhsinform.scot. You do not need to call NHS 24 to organise a test. If you require further advice **contact your GP**.

Keeping in Touch

Please follow us on Twitter @stbartholomews1

Check out our Website: https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/gc/stbartholomews/



and/or use the St Bartholomew's School App.

Please remember to call the absence line when your child is absent or has a Medical appointment. Absence Line: 0141 287 0039