St Palladius Primary

Term 2 Newsletter

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We are looking forward to another busy term at St Palladius. I have attached this term's calendar of events. Please make sure you keep this so you know what is coming up. Please keep up to date with what is happening in the school by following our twitter page and our school website. All newsletters and calendars are on the website.

Child Protection:

At school, we take children's safety very seriously. I am the Child Protection Co-ordinator and I am available should you ever want to talk to me about concerns or queries you may have. If I am not in school, Mrs Wood will be able to offer advice.

School Uniform:

Thank you for your effort in making sure the children are wearing uniform. They are looking very smart. With the change in the weather, can all children please wear a jacket to school, clearly labelled with your child's name.

Parent Council

We have an active Parent Council and it was lovely to have some new faces at our last meeting. You are welcome to come along to the meetings which are held in school on the first Monday of the month. Meetings are 6pm-7pm. The next meeting will be on Monday 2nd November.

What does our fundraising money get spent on?

A huge thank you to everyone who came to the Family Fun Night and the Friends Old and New Disco. The raffle and the Disco were organised by Parent Council. The money raised at both have gone towards new picnic benches for the playgrounds. One will be in P1/2 so we can take our learning outdoors. Another bench will be in the playground to replace the white tables. The children have also asked for a new Basketball hoop and some more playground games. Parent Council have also bought the P7 hoodies from the money raised. This happens every year, so when your child is in P7, Leavers' hoodies will be gifted.

Dalry Boundary Trust (DBT)

A huge thank you to Dalry Boundary Trust for their generous donation to the school. With this significant amount of money, we are able to provide transport and trips for the school free of charge to parents. This year, DBT has provided the money for:

- P7 residential (the buses, accommodation and activities)
- Buses and Panto
- A Buddy Bench
- Buses for all sports events
- Buses and workshops / entry fees for all school trips
- Visitors including the Alpacas

If we did not have the donation for the Panto, this alone would cost parents of each child £18.50 and the residential would cost over £200 each. The cost of buses alone for any trip is over £10 per child. The DBT donation enables us to provide these events at no cost to parents.

Hallowe'en

At St Palladius we love Hallowe'en. We will have Halloween parties in the afternoon of 30th October, during school time. Children can come dressed up in the morning. We also have a Pumpkin Carving Family Challenge. All pumpkins should be handed in on Friday 30th in the morning and can be taken home at the end if the day.

Clubs

Our Sports Leaders are holding clubs every lunchtime in the playground. For our after-school clubs, Active Schools are delivering a Multisport Club for P1-4 on a Tuesday and Mrs Wood will be holding the Wee Pal Book Club for P4-7 on a Wednesday.

Health Promoting Schools

Please be reminded that at St. Palladius we aim to promote healthy bodies and healthy minds. Please encourage your child to eat fruit at break time or another healthy snack of their choice. A snack should be provided from home. **Sugary snacks are not permitted.**

All children should bring a water bottle to school every day. This should be filled with plain water as we encourage children to drink water throughout the day.

Attendance

If your child is unwell, please call the office in the morning to inform us of the reason for absence.

Parking Safely

I kindly ask that parents/carers refrain from entering the Staff Car Park. This is for the safety of all children. If you are a Blue Badge holder or if the person collecting your child is elderly or infirm, please contact the school office. We can provide a walking bus up to St Margaret's car park. Just let us know which days your child needs to be walked up and we will walk them to the carpark at St Margaret's.

Thank you as always for your continued support in what is sure to be a very busy term. All dates are of course subject to change but we will endeavour to keep you as up to date as possible via X and text where appropriate.

Mrs Bhela
Headteacher