

# November 2023

# NEWSLETTER

## **SPONSORED BOUNCE**

Well done to our children for all their hard work and efforts in raising money for our Sponsored Bounce. We have raised an amazing £3,150.45. This will go towards our Christmas Pantomime. We would like to say a big Thank you to Jump Around Bouncy Castle and Mascot Hire for all their help.

Please see back page of newsletter with more information on Jump Around Bouncy Castle Hire.

#### **P7 TRANSITION EVENT**

P7 will be visiting St Andrew's High School for a P.E Event. The aim is to allow primary 7 pupils the opportunity to socially interact and work with their peers from the various primary schools. Pupils attending the event will be required to bring their PE kit, appropriate footwear and bring water. Permission slips have been issued, please return these as soon as possible.

Outing: St Andrew's High School

Date: 24th November 2023

**Time**: 1pm – 3pm

Children have to make their own way home. Travel arrangements should be discussed with your child.

#### **P6/7 FOOTBALL FESTIVAL**

Well done to our boys and girls for Competing in the Coatbridge P6/7 Football Festival at St Ambrose HS on Thursday 26th of October. The Girls won all matches—outstanding!

The Boys were football stars with only 1 match lost.

You made us all proud here at St Monica's.



#### **SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS**

John Wilson photography will be visiting the school on **Thursday 9th of November** to take individuals and family photographs.

They will also visit on **Wednesday 29th of November** to take Class photographs.

It is important children are in attendance at school and wear full school uniform on these days.

Please note, we are unable to include children outwith the school.

#### PARENT COUNCIL BINGO NIGHT

Our Parent Council are hosting a Family Bingo Night on Friday 10th of November in St Monica's Parish Hall.

Time: 7pm till Late

Fun for the Whole family and great prizes to be won.

Tickets cost £5 per adult and 50p per child. You can purchase these from the school office or the Parent Council.

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#### PARENTS EVENING BOOKING SYSTEM

61% of our parents have made an appointment for our Parents' Evening on **Wednesday 15th November 2023.** To book an appointment please scan the QR code below. If you are having issues logging on, please contact the school for support.





The deadline for making an appointment is Monday 13th November at 9am.

Children will have the chance to browse through the book fair week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> of November. This will also be available at parents' night. This money helps the school to buy new books for the children.

Online payments can be made using the QR code at the Book Fair and parents can locate their school using the school's postcode.

Any questions, please ask a member of staff on the night.

#### **INSERVICE DAY**

In-service day: Monday 13th of November. Pupils should not attend.



#### **CINEMA TRIPS**

All of our children will be visiting the Showcase Cinema as part of the Into Film Festival and will have the chance to go see some of the latest films. The children will walk down to the Cinema and will be accompanied by members of staff and our parents helpers.

Please provide your child with a morning snack. They may bring snacks along with them to enjoy the movie. Please note there will be no facilities to purchase anything.

Children should all wear full school uniform and should be suitably dressed in case of inclement weather.

Room 1 and Room 2	Tuesday 14th November	Screening : The Snail and The
	10am—11.05am	Whale & Stick Man
Room 3 and Room 8	Wednesday 15th November	Screening : Epic Tails
	10am—11.50am	
Room 9, 11, 12 and 13	Tuesday 21st November	Screening: Transformers—Rise
	10am—12.20am	of the Beasts

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#### P1-4 CHILDSMILE

Childsmile is a national programme designed to improve the oral health of children in Scotland. Childsmile will be carried out in school on Friday 17th November for Primary 1 - Primary 4 children. All consent forms should be returned to school office at your earliest convenience.

If you do not wish your child to receive Childsmile, please contact the school office.



#### **FLU IMMUNISATION**

Flu Immunisation will take place on Wednesday 22nd of November.

The vaccination consists of a nasal spray.

Children have been issued with letters, can you ensure these are returned prior to this visit. If your child did not receive a letter, please contact the school as soon as possible.



#### **P7 CONFIRMATION**

The children will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on **Wednesday 29th of November 2023 at 7pm**. The class continue to work through their workbooks and should know who their sponsor is as well as their chosen Confirmation Saint's name.



Bishop Toal will visit our P7 children in class on Thursday 16th November. He is very fond of asking P7's about what they know and admire about their chosen Saint.

#### ST ANDREW'S DAY

In celebration of St Andrew's Day, all children are welcome to wear a piece of tartan or a splash of blue with their uniform on **Thursday 30th of November**.

Please note, this is not a dress down day, uniform should still be worn.



#### **PANTOMIME**

The whole school will be visiting the Pavilion Theatre on Tuesday 5th of December to see Treasure Island.

More details will follow.

Letters will be issued soon, please look out for these. Please complete and return to the school as soon as possible.

Thank you!



#### **COLD WEATHER & UNIFORMS**

It's getting cold and wet outside! Please encourage your children to come to school well wrapped for colder playtimes. We have a lost property area and spare uniforms which will be made available at Parents Night.



## **CURRICULUM CONSULTATION**

The Curriculum is more than learning to read, write and count. It is made up of all the experiences planned for children throughout their education. We need to prepare children for a world that is always changing- for careers which may not even exist yet. A Curriculum Rationale is a shared vision that takes account of what makes our school community unique, so that everyone can answer the question "What do we want for our children and how will we work together to achieve this?"

We would like to hear your feedback. Please scan the QR Code to complete survey.



#### **PARENT PORTAL**

Please note if your child is absent, this must be reported on Parent Portal or call the school.

We have noticed a majority of our parents haven't signed up to the Parent Portal.

This portal will become one of the main communications between schools and parents across North Lanarkshire Council and we encourage you to sign up to this service. It is a one stop shop to many of our current and future communications.

Please scan the QR code for instructions on how to sign up.



When entering details, please make sure you enter the correct details exactly what we have on school system for your child.



