



Our Lady & St. Francis Primary School & Nursery Class



September 2020 Newsletter

Primary One



Our Primary One pupils have settled in well, particularly when going to their line in the morning. They have already been learning sounds and numbers and we are all very proud of them. Our P7 buddies have also helped them with routines and have taken such good care of them in their first few weeks at school. A P1 settling-in report will be issued just prior to the September weekend.

School/Gym Uniform

The children all look fantastic in their school uniforms and continue to make us proud. Please remember to **mark your child's name** on jumpers, jackets etc. if you've not already done so. Children are permitted to wear their gym kit to school on gym days. This consists of the school polo shirt and a pair of jogging trousers or leggings.

Water Bottles

We would like to remind you that children are only permitted to have water in their water bottle in class, in line with North Lanarkshire policy. You may include diluting juice in their packed lunch box.



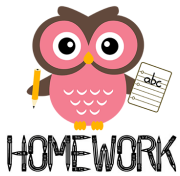
Our Yard

Our modular unit has yet to be completed and we are hoping this will happen soon. We will be zoning our playground this week and allocating classes an area to play in at playtime and lunchtime. This is to aid and comply with current Government advice on 'social bubbles' Trace and Protect protocols. I can confirm Our Lady and St Francis have had no reported positive cases of COVID-19 to date.

Remember when picking up from our yard to wear a mask, if you are able to do so.

School Bus

From Monday 31st August it became compulsory to wear a mask on the school bus. Please provide one for your child or let us know if you need one.



Homework

We are aware of digital teething problems in regards to homework. Please be patient and don't worry about any tasks set so far. We will make sure everyone gets access before sending out individual class homework. If you have any problems when trying to gain access, please let us know and we would be happy to help.

Dates

Thursday 24th September will be an inset day, only staff attend.

Our September weekend will be Friday 25th and Monday 28th September and we will reopen on Tuesday 29th September.



Our October week this year is week commencing Monday 12th October to Friday 16th October inclusive.

Final Message

Thank you so much for your continued support. We have been back at school for 3 weeks now and all our children have settled in wonderfully. They have shown resilience and determination and have surpassed our expectations. Our return to school this year was never going to be normal, but it has been smooth and managed well by the children. We are so proud of them and I am sure you are too.

Well done, boys and girls!