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### NEWSLETTER



2023

Happy New Year everyone! We hope that 2023 brings health, happiness and success. I am pleased to report that the children are settling back into the new term. This is a particularly busy time with lots going on and we hope to involve as many of you as we can.

#### Parent Council

A big thank you again to our fabulous parent council for their effort in organising our very successful Christmas Fayre, we are meeting shortly and will update you on other planned events.

#### SMOS Choir/The Voice Project

I am delighted to announce that the Choir performed in the St Enoch Centre, Glasgow and raised the highest amount of money for the Quarrier's Charity. The children have been offered a free session at Paradise Golf, Braehead on 27<sup>th</sup> January. Well Done to all involved!



## Homework

Homework club for P1 – P3

We are running a Parent and Child Homework Club for 4 weeks in partnership with CLD.

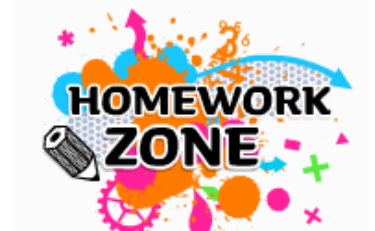
The dates are as follows:-

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2023 @ 3.15 – 4.15

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2023 @ 3.15 – 4.15

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2023 @ 3.15 – 4.15

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2023 @ 3.15 – 4.15



Please come along as we think you will find this enjoyable and worthwhile

Can I thank you all for supporting your child with their homework.

## Out of School Hours Learning (OOSHL)

Details of our after school club will be issued shortly.

## Curriculum Workshop/Save The Date

We are holding a curriculum workshop for parents/carers on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February @ 3.15 – 4.15pm and 6.00– 7.00pm.

There will be a presentation from the School Management Team followed by a visit to your child's class where you can chat to their teacher.

Learning is so much more successful when parents and school work together in partnership. We really hope you can come along.

## World of Work Event

We are having our World of Work day on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February and we are looking to recruit volunteers to talk to our children or do a wee demo of the kind of work that they do.

Do you have a job or set of skills that you could share?

If this is something you can help us with and you would like to participate in the event, please contact Mrs Jack at the School Office on 01236 632102.

P4– P7                      9.30 – 10.30

P1 – P3                      1.45 – 2.45

### P5 Swimming Programme

Our P5 children will attend their block of swimming and dry side sports on a Thursday afternoon from Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2023 for a ten week block.

Please ensure that your son/daughter has their PE Kit, swimming trunks/suit and towel each Thursday as well as a £1 coin for a locker. Please note that bikini/two piece are not suitable.



### Read to Succeed

We are currently planning a "Read to Succeed" event from Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March. This will tie in with World Book Day.

We have lots of fun things planned and children should come as normal in school uniform on those days.



### Transition

P6 will have a visit to Our Lady's High School on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March @ 9.30 -12.15

### Primary 3 LCSC Transition

The children will receive visits from the receiving school staff during January and February followed on with See-Saw transition days in February and March, where the children will experience being included in their new school and class two days per week.

## Sacramental Preparation

Please see below our Sacramental Timetable for 2023.

### Sacramental Timetable

Sacrament		Place & Time
Reconciliation	Parental Meeting	Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> January 2023 @ 6.00pm
Reconciliation	Enrolment Mass	Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> February @ 11.00 St Joseph's Parish
Reconciliation	Enrolment Mass	Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2023 @ 10.00 Sacred Heart Parish
First Holy Communion	Parental Meeting	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2023 @ 6.00pm in SMOS
Reconciliation	Catechesis Session 1	7 <sup>th</sup> March 2023 Sacred Heart Parish @ 7.00pm (Parents & Children)
Reconciliation	Catechesis Session 2	14 <sup>th</sup> March 2023 Sacred Heart Parish @ 7.00pm (Children only)
Reconciliation	Sacrament of Reconciliation (P3)	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> March Sacred Heart Parish @ 7.00pm
Reconciliation	Sacrament of Reconciliation	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> March 2023 - St Joseph's Parish @ 7.00pm
First Holy Communion	Catechesis Session 1	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2023 Sacred Heart Parish @ 7.00pm
First Holy Communion	Catechesis Session 2	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> April 2023 Sacred Heart Parish @ 7.00pm
First Holy Communion	Sacrament of First Holy Communion	Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> May 2023 @ 12.00 St Joseph's Parish
First Holy Communion	Sacrament of First Holy Communion	Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2023 @ 10.00am Sacred Heart Parish



## Class Mass Dates

Our class mass dates are listed below:-

Primary 1	27 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	Primary 7	3 <sup>rd</sup> February 2023
Primary 6	10 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	Primary 5/6	3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2023
Primary 5	10 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Primary 4	17 <sup>th</sup> March 2023
Primary 3	24 <sup>th</sup> March 2023		

These masses take place in St Joseph's Parish Church at 10.00am. You are all very welcome to attend.

## Class Assemblies

Our class assemblies will take place on the following dates.

P3, P2/3A & P3/4	Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> January
P4	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February
P1, P1A & P1B	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March
P5	Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> April
P6	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> May
P7	Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June

I hope you or a family member can come along to support your child in their learning journey.

## SCIAF

This year we will be supporting the "wee box" appeal.

This year focuses on families in Kabwe, Zambia and the effect hunger has on their daily lives – and their futures.

We are looking for any "loose" change/coppers. Each teacher will have a "wee box" if you would like to contribute. This appeal will run throughout March.



## Parental Appointments

We will be holding our next parental appointments on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March. Your appointment letter will be issued shortly.



### Once a week take a peek

Can I ask you to check your child's hair and be extra vigilant when brushing, combing or washing.

### Make Up /Nail Varnish

Please be aware that the wearing of nail varnish to school is not encouraged.

The wearing of 'make up' is NOT permitted. Any child wearing 'make up' to school will be asked to remove it immediately.



### Jewellery

For reasons of health and safety jewellery should not be worn to school.

For those children with ears pierced, please note that small studs only are permitted. Children will be asked to remove all other jewellery.

NB. Stud earrings should be removed on PE days and in the case of recently pierced ears then these should be covered with tape.

### Sickness and Diarrhoea

Please note that children experiencing these symptoms should not return to school for 48 hours following the last period of sickness/diarrhoea.



## IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> January	Reconciliation Parental Meeting in SMOS @ 6.00pm
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> February	World of Work Event
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> February	In-Set Day
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	Enrolment Mass 10.00 Sacred Heart Parish & 11.00 in St Joseph's Parish
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	First Holy Communion Parental Meeting in SMOS @ 6.00pm
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	St Joseph's Reconciliation @ 7.00pm
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Sacred Heart Reconciliation @ 7.00pm
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	Ash Wednesday
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Parental Appointments
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	School Closes @2.30pm
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April –Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> April(Inclusive)	Easter Break
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Pupils Return

With kind regards and best wishes.

M Love (Miss)

Head Teacher