# St Mary's Primary School

OCTOBER 2017

Bulletin

## P7 Kilbowie

P7 are off on their travels. They were all very excited and we know they will have a fantastic time. Thanks to Miss Coyle and Miss Fenton for



going along. Missing them already and looking forward to hearing about all their adventures on Friday.

#### Fruits of the Holy Spirit

Congratulations to our pupils who were chosen by teachers for best demonstrating 'Love' in class and in school. Our focus for October is 'Joy'.



#### STEM Room

Our STEM room is good to go. There are lots of new resources which will allow children to experience activities and project which develop their understanding of how Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths work together. This is the focus for our House Groups this year.

#### Pupil Voice

In our thinking circle assemblies we have been asking about feeling safe. Of those pupils asked 84 felt safe and 13 did not. When asked in more detail pupil's mentioned that things that made them feel unsafe included; terrorist attacks, gates left open in senior yard, fear of bullying, people shouting, children being angry in class and children telling stories which make others feel unsafe. Action taken so far to reduce fears; parents to close gates behind them, janitor to make sure gates are locked, request made to fix locks on toilet doors, remind children to be mindful of how others are feeling.

Our next thinking circle will focus on being healthy.

# Dates for your Diary

Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> October – Non Uniform Day House Winners for September

Fri 13<sup>th</sup> October – Cfe Assembly – Letter to follow for pupils who will be receiving a certificate.

Mon 30<sup>th</sup> October – M & M Production of Jack & the Beanstalk – In School

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November – Whole School Mass – 11.15am. Parents welcome to attend.

Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> November – Halloween Disco P1 – P3 6.15pm – 7.15pm P4 – P7 7.30pm – 8.45pm Mon 6<sup>th</sup> November – Parent Council Meeting at 6.30pm – 7.30pm. All welcome.

Weds 29<sup>th</sup> November – Whole School Outing to Panto – MacRobert Centre. Payment to be made online, deadline Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November.

# Uniform

It is lovely to see the children so smartly dressed. Please remember that pupils will be asked to remove any items that are not part of the uniform during the school day. Sweatshirts and hoodies can be worn when outside. Please ensure ties are worn daily.

#### Breakfast Club – 8.15am

Please remind your child that good behaviour is required at all times. If children regularly misbehave they may not be able to attend. Please note there is no access to the breakfast club after 8.50am due to staff leaving for their job at OLHS. Breakfast costs 20p payable by all attending.

#### Golden Time

A reminder that pupils should <u>**not**</u> be bringing their own toys in to school.

#### McMillan Coffee Morning

Many thanks to those who helped organise, those who

sent in donations and all of those who attended. We raised £205.39 pounds for MacMillan cancer research.

#### Parents Evenings

Looking forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October. We hope you have found the online sign up quick and easy to use.

# Car Park / Yard

No parents or guardians are allowed to use the car park, this is for staff only. No adults allowed in school yards during the school day at break times, please come to the office if you require to speak to your child. Only Nursery access through Infant Yard. Thanks

## Xpressions App

We are currently using the app, **Groupcall Xpression**, to communicate information to all parents. Please download the app as this will save the school money when sending out messages. We also require an up to date email address to enable this. All bulletins will be sent by email and will be downloaded to the school website. See link below

https://blogs.glowscotland.org .uk/nl/smpc/

# REMINDERS

**Absence** - Please remember if your child is absent from school to call the office on the first day. Sickness/Tummy Bugs – Children should not return until 48hours clear due to passing on the infection.

**Gym Days** – **No** jewellery to be worn on gym days, all earrings must be taped up are home or removed prior to coming to school.

**School Trips** – Please pay these online, if you are experiencing any problems please get in touch. Please remember Packed Lunches for your child when going on their class trips, if your child is entitled to a free school meal one will <u>not</u> be automatically provided, you are required to inform the office to order this in advance. Many thanks.

School Ties – Available from the school office - £4 each.

**New Contact Details** – If you have changed any contact details – Address/home/ mobile number or email, please pass this onto the school office. It is very important that we have up to date information in case of an emergency.

Afterschool Clubs – If your child attends a club and no longer wishes to attend or is missing a session please contact the school office, a register is taken for all the clubs run in school.

**Bus children** – If your child is not returning home on the school bus please inform the office or teacher by sending in a letter or phone call.