

St Mary's Primary School

Aug / Sept 2019

School Bulletin

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I hope you all had a wonderful summer and we offer you all a very warm welcome back to school. In particular we welcome our new P1's, a few new children and our new staff. So far everyone is settling in well and it is lovely to see everyone wearing the school uniform and looking so smart. We encourage our uniform, including ties to be worn at all times. The weather is unpredictable so waterproof jackets are also preferred. If anyone need help with any aspects of school uniform please contact the school as we have a number of items available to us.

I have included information regarding our school and nursery improvement plan. If you have any comments or suggestion please get in touch as we are keen to have your views and involvement. We would also encourage you to join our Parent Council. We will be sending out further information regarding meetings etc soon.

I look forward to meeting you all over the next few weeks and I am excited about our new school year.

Kilbowie

Our P7 pupils will be heading to Kilbowie on Mon 26th Aug with Miss Coyle and Miss Fenton. All children and parents to arrive at 9am and gather in the GP Room to await bus.

This will leave us short staffed so ALL children will be playing in the infant yard during break and lunch.

P5 Swimming

P5 swimming will start on Weds 21st Aug for 12 weeks. The children will be walking to and from the school. Please ensure appropriate clothing is worn and £1 will be required for the Locker.



Dates for your Diary



21 st Aug	P5 Swimming – Tryst
26 th Aug	P7 Kilbowie – All Week
3 rd Sept	Whole School Picture Day
6 th Sept	Charity Book Sale
19 th Sept	Sacramental Meeting – 7pm
27 th Sept	School Holiday
30 th Sept	School Holiday

Homework

Homework grids will be uploaded to our web page and will be available from Monday 2nd September at the latest. Please check it out online. You will also see information which tells you what your child will be learning this term.

Picture Day

The photographer will be in on Tuesday the 3rd of September. We cannot guarantee a time for your child or their class. Please make sure full uniform is worn.

Sacramental Meeting

Parents of Pupils P3,P4 and P7 are invited to attend a sacramental meeting on Thurs 19th Sept at 7pm. Letters to follow.

Feast Day

Our school Feast day is on a Sunday this year so we will be celebrating on Friday 6th and our school Mass will be on Monday the 9th.

Xpressions App

We send out text messages for absences/trips/events and general reminders. At the moment the school has to cover the cost of these messages. If all parents downloaded the **Xpression App** from the app store we can send these out for **FREE**. We can also send attachments which would allow you to check straight from your phone. The school require an up to date email address for you to download this, we will pick this up from the Annual Data Check form which you will have received.

To receive these messages, download the Groupcall Xpressions app from the Apple, Google or Windows stores (Search 'Groupcall Xpressions').



The Railway Children

We have M and M theatre Productions coming to the school to perform their show on Tuesday 27th August for all children

Meet the Teacher

Our doors will be open between 2pm and 4.45pm to allow you to visit your child's class, meet the teacher and see round the school. We are using new customised jotters this year which your child will be able to show you. Staff will be unable to report on progress at this stage. Tea and Coffee will be available in the cooking room. Children must be supervised by parents at all times. We hope to see as many of you as possible.

Charity Book Sale

We have a partnership with a school in South Africa who are very short of books. We are holding a charity book sale to try and raise some funds for them to buy books for their library. Donations of any books that are no longer used by children and are in good condition are welcomed. Used books will be 10p to buy and brand new books will be 30p. Please support us in this venture. This will take place on Fri 6th Sept.

Road Safety Show

All pupils from P1-3 will be attending a road safety show at Ravenswood PS on 23rd Sept. The children will be walking, please remember appropriate clothing and footwear.

Mobile Numbers/ Email

If you are not receiving any of our messages either by text or Xpression App please call the school office. We also send out the monthly Newsletters by email, if you are no longer using the one we have on file please contact the office. You can also check the school website for information too. Thanks

REMINDERS

Absence - Please remember if your child is absent from school to call the office on the first day. Please do not email any member of staff as this may be missed if out of the building.

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 at home or removed prior to coming to school.

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.