



St Brendan's Primary & Nursery



"Voyaging Together as a Community of Faith, Love and Learning"

Child Protection Co-ordinator: Mrs Maura Oates

Newsletter – November/December 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to our November/December Newsletter. This term is looking very busy and we want to take this opportunity to share with you some important dates and information.

Firstly, thank you to everyone who managed to attend our first face to face Parents' Evening of the year. It was lovely to see so many of our parents and carers, with 92.4% attendance. We hope you found the evening informative. If you were unable to attend Parents' Evening you are asked to contact the school office to arrange an alternative appointment.

Little Mermaid – Tuesday 16th December 2025

As you are aware, we are off to the Glasgow Kings Theatre to see The Little Mermaid on the afternoon of Tuesday 16th December. We are all very excited to attend this performance. Further information will be given out nearer the date confirming the arrangements for collecting children.

Baby News

Lovely news- congratulations to Mrs Smedley and her husband on the birth of their son. We wish Mrs Smedley well as she enjoys this precious time with her family.

Homework

As per school policy, there will be no homework from Monday 1st December, to allow families time to make the most of the festive season together.

Scottish Catholic Education

Scottish Catholic Education fortnight will run from 15th to 30th November. This year the theme is 'Pilgrims of Hope'. We will celebrate Catholic Education fortnight on Sunday 23rd November at 11.00am Mass. Children and staff from St Brendan's will join with members of Our Lady's High School to launch this year's theme, 'Pilgrims of Hope'. Please try to attend the 11.00am Family Mass on Sunday 23rd November to celebrate with us.

Football Teams

Congratulations to both of our football teams who have had a very successful start to their 2025/2026 campaign. Our girls team have been training hard and are looking forward to their tournaments later in the year.

Uniform Swap Shop

We have a selection of uniform items available in school. If you would like to request any items please contact the school office or send an email to enquiries-at-st-brendans@northlan.org.uk and if you can give items and sizes required we can send items home discreetly.

We look forward to enjoying Christmas and the Holy Season of Advent with the children and would like to remind you of the important dates ahead for the rest of the term. More dates and activities to follow.

Friday 28th November	1.15pm	St Andrew's Day Concert (doors open at 1pm)
Thursday 4th December	12.30pm	Christmas Lunch Christmas Jumper Day (donation)
Friday 5th December	9.30am	First Friday Mass
Monday 8th December	PM	Choir to Asda
Wednesday 10th December	1.20pm	Primary 1 to 3 Christmas Party
Thursday 11th December	1.20pm	Primary 4 and 5 Christmas Party
Thursday 11th December	AM	Ministerial Visit
Friday 12th December	AM	Breakfast with Santa
	1.20pm	Primary 6 and 7 Christmas Party
Tuesday 16th December	PM	Little Mermaid Panto at King's Theatre
Wednesday 17th December	10.30am	Carol Service in St Brendan's Church
	11.30am	Coffee Morning with Choir Christmas Enterprise Crafts
Thursday 18th December	2.30pm	School Closes



Christmas Parties

If children wish to go home to change for their party they can be collected at the school office at 12.15pm. **Please note children will not be allowed to walk home on their own.**

Children who are not going home to change may bring their party clothes with them and a member of staff will be available to help dress them.

Children going home should not return to school before 1.20pm as unfortunately they will have to go outside in their party clothes and it can be very cold at this time of year.



Change of Address

It is extremely important that the school is kept informed of any change of address, telephone number or email address, in case we have to contact you.

Blogs

Follow us on Twitter @StBrendansPS and blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/nl/stbrendans. Please check every week for the most up to date information.

The most up to date information is available through the school app, please check this regularly.

Parking Reminder

The school car park is for staff use only.

Gifts

Although we have appreciated gifts in the past at Christmas, at this busy, expensive time of year, please think about saying a wee prayer or lighting a candle for our staff instead of gifts.



School will re-open after the Christmas Holidays on Monday 5th January 2026. Myself and the staff at St Brendan's would like to wish you all a peaceful, happy Christmas and New Year.

Mrs M Oates
Head Teacher

