



St Patrick's Primary

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December 2017 Newsletter

Parent Council : Next meeting takes place on Wednesday 17th January 2018 at 6.30pm.

Parent Fundraising Group: Movie Night and Christmas Fair were both a huge success. A donation of £200 from the Movie Night was much appreciated, this will help to pay for the buses to the pantomime. Thank you once again for your ongoing fundraising. All children benefit from monies raised.

Christmas Fair

A huge big **thank you** to everyone who helped in any way. The Christmas Fair was a huge success. A **MASSIVE £1339.50** was raised. This means we can upgrade one of the Smartboard Projectors and begin to raise funds to purchased tablet computers for the children. The tablets we use are now over 4 years old and are in need of an upgrade.

The Nativity

"Stable Story" was performed by P3 and accompanied by the Choir of Angels from P1 & P2. P4-7 entertained the audience with a selection of Christmas songs. All of the children were outstanding. Well done! Proceeds of the raffle will go to Mary's Meals.



Sleeping Beauty, Kings Theatre, Glasgow

The panto was on Friday 15th December everyone had a fun time. OH YES WE DID!!!!
The conduct and behaviour of the children was outstanding.

Christmas Hampers

Thank you very much for food donations, hampers will be distributed to the local community by members of the St Vincent De Paul.

P6 & 7 Pope Francis Faith Award pupils helped to collect and assemble the hampers.
Well done!

Date	Time	Event	Class
22 nd Dec (Fri) 2017	2:30pm	School Closes	P1 to 7
8 th Jan (Mon)	9:00am	School Re-opens	P1 to 7
15 th to 19 th Jan	Times detailed in newsletter	Registration	Infant beginners
15 th Jan	3:00 - 4:00	Coding Club	P7
17 th Jan	6:30pm	Parent Council Meeting	Parent Council Members
18 th Jan	9:15- 10:00	Police Road Safety (Whole School) Assembly	P 1-7
19 st Jan	TBC	Health & Wellbeing Event at THS	P6
24 th	9:00am	Dental Inspection	P1 & P7
28 th Jan- 3 rd Feb	Details to follow	Catholic Education Week	30 Children to represent St. Patrick's at Mass in Carfin
29 th Jan	10:30am	Bishop Toal to visit school to meet with children preparing for Confirmation	P6 & P7
29 th Jan	2:15pm time TBC	Class Assembly	P4
31 st Jan	9:30	Mass for Feast of St John Bosco	P1 to 7
8 th Feb	9:30 - 2:00	Retreat Day 2	P5
8 th Feb	9:15-10:30	Road Safety Presentation - The Journey	P6 & 7
12 th - 15 th Feb	All Day	School closed for February Break	P1 -7
14 th Feb	All Day (Today is also Ash Wednesday)	Inset for Staff School closed to children	P1 - 7
19 th February	11:30am	Penitential Service	P6 & 7
22 nd February	7:00pm	Confirmation	P6 & 7
26 th Feb	2:15pm time TBC	Assembly	P5
27 th Feb	TBC	KNEX Challenge	P6 (Team of 3)
15 th March	6:30pm	1 st Reconciliation	P3
16 th March	11:00am	Mass for Feast of St Patrick	P1 - 7

19 th March	11:00am	PFFA interviews (To establish if the child has gained the FAITH AWARD with a Parish Commendation)	P7 only candidates
22 nd March	3:30pm - 8:30pm	Parents Evening	P1 - 7
27 th March	10:00am	Reconciliation Service	P4 - 7
27 th March	9:30am	Mass (Lent)	P1 - 7
29 th March	3:00pm	School closes	P1 - 7
16 th April	9:00am	School re-opens	P1 - 7

Things to look out for in January:

Registration of infant beginners 2017/18

Children who attain the age of 5 years between 1st March 2018 and 28th February 2019 should be registered during the week commencing Monday 15th January to Friday 19th January 2018.

At registration parents/guardians **must** bring **each child's birth certificate and proof of address, in the form of the current council tax bill - this must be produced.** If appropriate and available, please also bring Baptism details.

Dates and times for registration in St. Patrick's are detailed below:

Monday 15 th January	9:30am - 10:30am
Tuesday 16 th January	9:30am - 10:30pm
Wednesday 17 th January	2:00pm - 3:30pm
Thursday 18 th January	2:00pm - 3:30pm

If you know of any families who have children who are due to be registered, please pass this information on to their parents.

Personal Learning Plans (PLP's)

PLP's will be evaluated, new targets set and sent home week beginning 29th January 2018

AND FINALLY...

A big **THANK YOU** to Les Hoey and the **Dream Maker Foundation** for giving selection boxes to every child in the school. They were given the selection boxes after the school party.

10p Challenge

Thank you to P6 who coordinated and led the 10p Trail which stretched 10.91 metres along the corridor and raised £42.50 for school funds during Financial Education Week.

St. Andrews Hospice Ambassadors from P7 sold goods from the Hospice to the value of **£318.30**. Well done and thank you!

Mary's Meals Christmas Raffle a total of **£240** was raised, the cheque is in the post and all money received will be doubled - **£480** Well done and thank you!!!!

Staffing Update: Mrs McMahon joined the staff team in November, she will cover Mrs Allan's Maternity Leave. She has now settled into school life in St. Patrick's.



Advent Mass

Children attended Mass on **Thursday 21st December at 9:30**. P7 prepared the liturgy.

After Mass P 4 to 7 pupils received the Sacrament of Confession.

We continue to prepare for the birth of the baby Jesus.

*Tomorrow, **Friday 22nd December**, children may wear Christmas jumpers or dress down (no charge).*

*Remember - school closes at **2:30pm** for Christmas holidays.*

May I take this opportunity on behalf of myself and the staff to thank you for your support throughout the past year.

We would like to wish you all a Happy and Holy Christmas and we look forward to working with you and your children in 2018.

AM Boyd

