



Newsletter - November/December 2025



Dear Families,

As we race towards the Christmas break, I wanted to highlight the hard work and dedication of our pupils, staff and parents:

On the 24th of October we opened our doors to new pupils who will be joining us from August 2026. Thank you to our Parent Partnership for organising refreshments for the families and for making them feel so welcome.

On Tuesday 11th November, Primary 7, ably led by Mr Elliott, delivered a thoughtful celebration of the lives of soldiers lost during the First World War. We were delighted that so many family and friends could join us.

Thank you to Ms Potter and Mr Elliott for organising activities for the whole school to enjoy as part of Literacy Week. We were thrilled to welcome families in to school as part of our book gifting event. We hope to organise more of these events in the future.

As part of our School Improvement Plan focus this session, staff have been working hard developing a new spelling and phonics planner as well as trialling different approaches to how we set and reflect on pupil targets. More information will be shared with families in the new year.

We look forward to welcoming family and friends to our Christmas concerts on the 8th and 9th of December. I would like to share my appreciation for the hard work and dedication from all staff and children to help make these performances a great success.

Finally, I wish to thank our wonderful families, whether it's helping with homework, attending events, or simply encouraging your child each day, your partnership makes all the difference. Our staff work tirelessly to provide the best for every pupil, and your encouragement means so much to them too.

Kind regards,

Kirsten Ross - Acting Head Teacher

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At Bargarran Primary, we all learn and grow together.

Staffing

We are delighted to welcome new staff to our school office this session. Mrs Henderson has moved from Langbank Primary School to join us as our Senior Clerical Officer and Mrs Lamb has joined us as our Office Administrator. They have already made a positive contribution to many of the families who have called and visited the school office.

Mrs McGhee will be coming in to school to support some classes over the next few weeks. We are looking forward to welcoming her back from maternity leave in the new year.

Christmas Concerts

- Monday 8th December: 10:00 AM & 1:30 PM Tuesday 9th December: 10:00 AM
- Tickets are free of charge and will be available through Parent Pay.
- There will be an opportunity to make a voluntary donation on the day. All donations will go towards resources and activities/trips for our pupils.
- After the performance, we invite you to join us for a tea/coffee

We kindly ask that all families stay for the full show to support every child and help maintain the festive atmosphere.

Bargarran Bookworm Award Winners



Our Bargarran Bookwork Awards aim to encourage reading through using the information we gain from our Accelerated Reading programme. Children take quizzes at the end of each book they have read. If the result of the quiz is over a certain percentage score children are awarded the number of words that book contains. Each level of the award is based on the number of words a child has read. The most recent winners are:



Silver - 25, 000 words

Carlton, P3	Chloe, P6
Asher, P4/3	Reuben, P6
Louis, P4/3	Charlotte, P6
Rowan, P4/3	Savannah, P6
Hallie, P4/3	Emily, P6
Emma, P5/4	Helena, P6
Miller Rae, P5/4	Zara, P6
Nour, P5	Armindo, P7
Olivia, P5	Karla, P7
Cara, P5	Anna-Jayne, P7
Isaac, P5	



Gold - 100,000 words

Carlton, P3	Amelia, P6
Emma, P5/4	Armindo, P7
Odhran, P5/4	Elliot, P7
Autumn, P5/4	Holly, P7
Olivia, P5	Cole, P7
Olivia, P5	Zac, P7
Reuben, P6	



Platinum 500,000 Words

Tamsin, P6
Caelan, P7

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Millionaire - 1, 000, 000 words

Neve, P7

Multi-Millionaire - 3, 000, 000 words

Alexander, P6

Multi-Millionaire - 5, 000, 000 words

Alexander, P6
Maren, P7
Bryan, P7

Rights Respecting School - Update



Thank you to the parents and grandparents who kindly agreed to speak to the Rights Respecting Schools assessor on 18th November. Our pupil group are continuing to work hard while we wait to hear if we have been successful in our application for our third Gold Award. This year the pupils want to let the school community know about rights all children under the age of 18 have. They are currently working together to create a display of different rights as a first step towards this. Keep an eye out for the finished display.

Ms Kennedy

Dates For Your Diary



December

✦ **Monday 1st Dec** *St Andrews Holiday*

✦ **Wednesday 3rd Dec** *Christmas Jumper Day/Christmas Lunch*

✦ **Thursday 4th Dec** *Pantomime (in school, thank you again to the Parent Partnership for funding this experience).*

✂ **Monday 8th Dec** *Christmas Show 10am & 1.30pm*

✂ **Tuesday 9th Dec** *Christmas Show 10am*

✂ **Week beginning 15th Dec** *Christmas Parties - your child's teacher will let you know when these are taking place.*

✂ **Friday 19th Dec** *Tracking Reports given out*

✂ **Friday 19th Dec** ***Last day of school (close at 2.30pm)***

January

✂ **Tuesday 7th January** *Return to School*

✂ **Wednesday 21st January** *6.30pm - 8pm Parent Partnership Meeting - all welcome*

Contacting Us



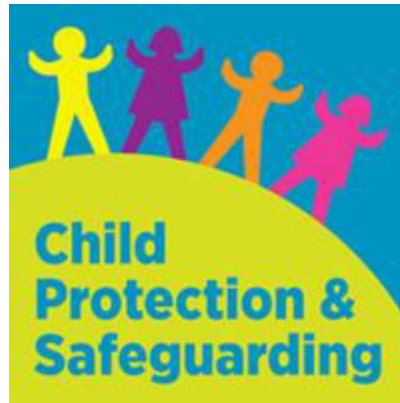
At Bargarran Primary we encourage parents and carers to get in touch if they have any questions about their child's education. Your child's class teacher(s) should be able to help answer any questions that may arise. We would ask parents and carers to contact teaching staff by phone on the school's number (0300 300 1447) or through the school enquiries mail box - bargarranenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk¹. or where appropriate, contact through Class Dojo.

If you have any concerns, or wish to speak to a member of the Senior Management Team regarding your child, **Ms Kennedy has pastoral responsibility for Primary 1 to Primary 3** and **Mrs Ross has pastoral responsibility for Primary 4 - Primary 7.**

Ms Kennedy is the school's Pupil Support Coordinator this session, she will liaise with class teachers to overcome any barriers to learning your child may have.

¹<mailto:bargarranenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk>

Safeguarding and Child Protection



At Bargarran Primary School, we are fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all children.

If you see or hear anything that causes you concern, please ask to speak to the Head Teacher, **Mrs Ross**.

In her absence, you should speak to the Depute Head Teacher **Ms Kennedy**.

Kind regards, Kirsten Ross

Acting Head Teacher

