

St. Catherine's Primary School and Early Learning and Childcare Class



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June End of Term Newsletter

Education Scotland

Following our recent glowing inspection report I am delighted to say that the work of our school has been published on a Sketchnote on the Education Scotland Website and National Improvement Hub. This is a fantastic achievement which recognises the work of our Skills progression Framework, our connections with West College Scotland and the development of our family learning programme to include the use of digital technologies. Well done team St Catherine's!

New Office Phone Number

Our new number is 0300 300 0180

Summer Reading Challenge

We would like to encourage as many of our children as possible to take part in this year's Summer Reading Challenge. This is a fantastic opportunity to keep your children occupied during the summer break and let's remember reading time equals quiet time! Prizes for participating include free swimming and badminton passes. Pop on to Skoobmobile or visit any Renfrewshire Council library to sign up.

New Primary 1 Parents

Well done to our new recruits who had a fabulous time in Primary One and enjoyed meeting their buddies. We look forward to welcoming our families old and new to our school community very soon!

Parent Council

I would like to offer a huge thank you to our Parent Council who have given a huge amount of support throughout the year. They have organised many events and raised a significant amount of funds which have allowed us to purchase outdoor clothing for our Primary 1 and 2 children as well as various gifts for our children throughout the year.

I am aware that they have freely given of their own time in order to enhance the life of our school and our school community is extremely grateful. A special thank you to Jane Cumming for her role as Treasurer to the Parent Council, you will be sorely missed!!!!!

Thank you, thank you! We will be looking for new recruits next sessions. Our first meeting of the new year is planned for **Thursday 29**th **August at 6.15pm**. All welcome!

Free School Meals/Clothing Grant

If your child is moving into P4 this August, make sure applications for Free School Meals are received by Renfrewshire Council no later than Friday 12 July to guarantee it's all set up for the start of term. www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmealsandclothinggrants

Get money to pay for school uniforms before the new term starts. Make sure your Clothing Grant application is received by Renfrewshire Council no later than Friday 12 July. Those received afterwards will be processed asap. www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmealsandclothinggrants
Make sure your signed form or application is received by Renfrewshire Council no later than Friday 12 July to guarantee Free School Meals from the first day of term. Forms received afterwards will be processed asap. www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmealsandclothinggrants

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School Improvement Planning/ PEF - Pupil Equity Plan

Each year the school makes a plan detailing key priorities for improvement. Staff, pupils, parents and partners have contributed to this plan. We have collated the responses from consultations held throughout the year from all stakeholders including the most recent questionnaires and surveys regarding the spending of our PEF allocation. Our PEF plans will be outlined within our School Improvement Plan, which will be available to you next session.

Primary 7 Leavers

Primary 7 you have been fabulous. You have made us proud this year with your excellent progress, achievements and role modelling of good behaviour and citizenship. In the words of our vision, 'Attain, Achieve, Aspire!' Be all that you can be and continue to make us proud.

Health Week

We enjoyed another very successful health week this year with fabulous and varied activities on offer for our children from a variety of our staff and partners. Thank you to everyone involved including our S6 helpers from Trinity High School. Thank you also to our parent volunteers for helping with our school trip. We had a fabulous day and could not do it without you!

Class Organisation

In any primary school, including St Catherine's, pupils will not necessarily remain in one class throughout their 7 years. This may be due to a number of factors, including legislation on class sizes at the various stages and the total number of pupils at each stage. Because of fluctuating numbers, it is often not possible to arrange the classes until close to the end of term. Even then, occasionally the situation may change during the summer holidays.

Class size legislation: P1 – 25 pupils; P2 & P3 – 30 pupils; P4 to P7 – 33 pupils.

Staffing Update

We are delighted to welcome Miss Parker to St Catherine's Primary in August 2019. Mr Gibson will finish with us in June, we wish Mr Gibson the very best of luck in his future teaching career.

Please see the class structures for next session.

- Primary 1 Mrs Dando
- Primary 2 Miss Berry
- Primary 3 Miss Parker
- Primary P4/3 Mrs Campbell
- Primary 4 Mr Donaghy
- Primary 5 Miss Calvert
- Primary 6 Mr Gallagher
- Primary 7 Mr McKay
- Mrs Burns and Mrs Millar will continue to support teaching and learning across the curriculum at all stages.
- Mrs Armstrong (Scottish Attainment Challenge teacher) will support the delivery of targeted support across the school.
- Miss Piggot (Scottish Attainment Challenge Early Learning and Childcare Officer) will continue with her early intervention and nurture work across Primary 1 and Primary 2.

Breakfast Club Reminder

Just a reminder of the times of our Breakfast club. Breakfast Club runs from 8:15am – 8.55am. This is a free service available to all pupils. Please note staff running **the breakfast club do not begin until 8.15am** and therefore children should not come to school before then.

Religious Life of the School

Congratulations to many of our Primary 4 and Primary 7 pupils who received the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Well done to all of our pupils who made our school community very proud. Please continue to remember all of our children in your prayers.

I am me

Thank you to our I Am Me #MakeaDifferenceScotland school programme for delivering fantastic talks across the school. I Am Me is a community charity that aims to change attitudes and behaviours so that disables and vulnerable people in Scotland feel safe in their communities. The children as always were fabulous and a credit to the school.

Own Clothes Day

The last day of term is an own clothes day which is voluntary as always. Suggested donations of £1 can be made through your Parent Pay account or bar code letters can be attained from the school office should you require. Many thanks for your continued support,

Thank you

I would like to say a very big thank you to the entire school community for a wonderful year. We are delighted to have had the fantastic achievements of our school recognised by Education Scotland during our recent inspection and to have received grades of 'very good' for our school and early learning and childcare class. In St Catherine's Primary School this is a team effort and at the heart of this is outstanding teaching and learning, engaged and motivated pupils and good behaviour. I wish you all a wonderful summer and I look forward to working in partnership with you next session.

School Holidays

The school will close on **Friday 28th June 2019 at 1pm** and will re-open to staff and pupils on **Thursday 15th August 2019**

May/June Assembly Achievement Awards

Congratulations to the following pupils!

Primary 1	Codie Carr, Karly Curivan, Rosalie McGowan, Piotr Cieslewicz, Josh McKenna, Ella Hamilton, Hayden McCormick, Cuong Nguyen, Aidan Cummings, Jaya Pardasani, Zofia Sala, Maiya Gillespie.				
Primary 2	Jane Donald, Rory McKinlay, Jack Lappin, James Harkness, Stuart Harkness, Dorian Gora, Alexander Gibson. Ben Parnis Scott, Pria Tannahill, Tyler Strathearn, Mia Hurles				
Primary 3/2	Logan Munro, Iona Ashmead, Phillip McBride, Alessandro Degboe, Sophie Sheehan, Brooklyne Murphy, Keeley Clements, Freya Dennett, Ellie Sullivan, Kacey Orr				
Primary 3	Aiden Todd, Joshua Dapaah, Freya McKenna, Emily Morrison, Elijah Chikuta, Karis Shanks, Antonia Vodislav, Mirryn McCallion, Julia Sobanski, Julia Galaj, Stuart McMillan				
Primary 4	Liam Curivan, Gabriel Marshall, Michaela Mullen, Jacob Page, Sara McStay, Shellie McKinley, Lily-Rose McMahon, Mirin McAdam, Michella Mullen				
Primary 5	Josh Sullivan, McKenzie Coyle, Damilare Adebayo, Niamh McGarvey, Mia Shankley, Dylan Cochrane, Ciara McBride				
Primary 6	Brodie Blair, Christopher McGeoch, Cailyn Kelly, Mirrin McIlhargey, Martin Tannahill, Josh Docherty, Amora Chikuta, Daniela Vaseva				
Primary 7	All of Primary 7 for their years in St Catherine's and for being a fantastic part of the school community				
Head Teacher Award	Niamh McGarvey, Mia Shankly, Daniela Vaseva, Freya Dennett, Jane Donald, Jaya Pardasani, Sophie Sheehan, Kacey Orr, Julia Sobanski, Ben Parnis Scott, Julia Galaj, Jacob Page, Emily Morrison, Pria Tannahill, Ella Hamilton, Millie Dawson, Lyle Amjadi, Joshua Dapaah, Jaiden McAvoy, Sean Strathearn, Antonia Vodislav, Sara McStay, Lilly-Rose McMahon, Rachel Crawford, Brodie Blair, Isla Colquhoun, Shellie McKinlay, Stuart Harkness, James Harkness, Millie Dawson, Josh Sullivan, Ellie Sullivan, Sam Evans, Olivia Kearns, Amy Turnbull, Mirryn McCallion, Sara McStay, Freya McKenna, Liam Curivan, Thomas Carline, Ailey Gillespie, Brodie Dooner, Sophie Sheehan, Karly Curivan				