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# St. Catherine's Primary School and Nursery Class

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## April/May 2019 Newsletter

### P1 Transition Programme

This has been well underway since the beginning of the year with the new entrants being invited to school for a variety of activities. Official induction days for all new St Catherine's pupils will be held at 1.30pm-2.30pm on 15.5.19 and 22.5.19. By the end of these sessions you should have all of the information you need and your child will have spent quality time with their new teachers and classmates. We offer an optional additional stay and play session at 11am on 29.5.19. Our P7 buddies will take the children out to play allowing them to experience a playtime whilst our parents are mingling over tea and coffee.

### P7 Transition

Pupils attending Trinity High School are invited to attend official induction days (11 & 12 June) This is followed by the P7 Cluster Activity Days (13 & 14 June) which have been organised as part of the transition programme to Trinity High School. The pupils will be participating in outdoor activities at Clyde Muirshiel Country Park and The Experience. If you wish to discuss any matter relating to this event please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Henry who would be happy to offer assistance.

### School Trip

Our summer school trip is in the process of being finalised. As always, our pupils have the final say in where we go and Heads of Ayr Farm Park was the clear favourite. Your wish is my command children...consider it booked! If you are able to offer your time and join us on our trip on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June** as a parent helper please contact our school office.

### Health Week

Our Health Week begins on **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June** during this week we have exciting events planned such as our school trip, UNICEF Soccer Aid event and Sports Day. We have also arranged for partners to visit our school including Renfrewshire Young Carers, Trinity High School Community Learning Officer, Active Schools and more! In class we will also be learning about healthy eating, having a growth mindset, participating in outdoor learning and carrying out class surveys to encourage our children to bring in healthy snacks.

During this week pupils should wear their school polo-shirt with comfortable sports clothing (tracksuit bottoms, leggings, shorts.)

### Sport Day

Parents/Carers are invited to attend our Sports Day event on the afternoon of **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June**. More information to follow.

### Head Teacher Request

Could I please ask all parents to be mindful when parking and remind everyone **not to park** within the staff car park when dropping off and picking up your children. The car park is not a safe place to drop off your child and is permitted for staff parking only.

Please note that there are no dogs allowed in the school playground. A number of our pupils find it distressing and for a number of health and safety reasons it is not permitted. I thank you as always for your assistance.

## Social Media & Mobile Phones

Parents are asked to note that it is important at home to monitor any child's use of the various forms of social media / communication. They should be made aware of the legalities of misuse of social media, especially as it can often be accessed on a mobile phone. Please also consider the age limits in place. Please note that mobile phones/smart watches are not permitted in school. A phone can be kept in a child's bag switched off if required at the end of the day but please note the school will not be responsible for any damage/missing items.

## Faith in Action

Congratulations to Mrs Burns and her Faith in Action Citizenship Group for successfully organising an Easter Egg Hunt for the whole school to enjoy. Great fun was had by all, well done children!

## SCIAF

Thank you to Mr Gallagher and his Charity Champion Citizenship Group for successfully coordinating the 'Wee Box' collections for SCIAF across the school.

## Primary 7 Enterprise Initiatives (extra-curricular activities)

Well done to our enterprising Primary 7 pupils who have trained, planned, budgeted and coordinated the following clubs for our children, SC Nailbar, Spectacular Sports Stars, Techtastic Club. Primary 7 made a super £71.93 and this will go towards next years groups. Very well done children.

## Sacrament Dates

In order to give you as much notice as possible I would like to share the following dates with you for your diary.

- P4 First Holy Communion: 11<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at 10am
- P7 Sacrament of Confirmation: 15<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at 7pm
- P4/P7 Mass Of Thanksgiving: 19<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at 10am

## School Holidays

The school will close on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May and will reopen to pupils on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May . The school will close on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May and reopen on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May.

## March Assembly Achievement Awards

Congratulations to the following pupils!

<b>Primary 1</b>	Eddie Sobanski, Hayden McCormick, Ella Hamilton, Cuong Nguyen, Rosalie McGowan
<b>Primary 2</b>	Pria Tannahill, Jack Steel, Mirren MacDonald, Brogan Blair, Ollie Mullaney, Mia Hurles
<b>Primary 3/2</b>	Sophie Sheehan, Kacey Orr, Freya Dennett
<b>Primary 3</b>	Catherine Barr, Jaiden McAvoy, Tierney McLardie, Stuart McMillan
<b>Primary 4</b>	Alex Hurles, David Chukubereduko, Caiden Campbell, Mirin McAdam
<b>Primary 5</b>	Coco Arquillo, McKenzie Coyle, Lena Batkowska
<b>Primary 6</b>	Eva McShane, John Kearns, Daniela Vaseva
<b>Primary 7</b>	Sean Strathearn, Hollie Adams, Amy Turnbull, Sam Evans
<b>Head Teacher Award</b>	Lena Batkowska, James Harkness, Stuart Harkness, McKenzie Coyle, Logan Munn, Eddie Sobanski, Eva Russell, Lyle Amjadi, Brendan Thomson, Zofia Sala, Pria Tannahill, Antonia Vodislav, Lily Elle Zavaroni, Mia Shankley

## Dates for your diary

### April

25 Spring Fling Disco  
26 P2 Class Mass

### May

6 Holiday  
7 In-service Day (school closed to pupils)

- 9 Parent Council Meeting 6.15pm
- 11 P4 First Holy Communion 10am
- 15 Sacrament of Confirmation
- 15 P1 Induction
- 19 P4/P7 Mass of Thanksgiving
- 22 P1 Induction
- 24 Holiday
- 27 Holiday
- 31 School Parent/Carer Open Afternoon

### Recognition of Achievement

Although we encourage our children to tell us about their achievements out with school we are sure that we don't know about lots of things however big or small, for this reason we would like your help. If you feel that your child has accomplished something for the first time, improved in something, or has achieved an award (yellow belt in Judo, badges at Scouts/Brownies/Boys Brigade etc.) please let us know by completing the tear off slip below. Your child will receive a Head Teacher Award which will be shared at assembly and added to our achievements records.

Please tick ( )

<b>Church</b>	<b>Community</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>Language and Arts</b>	<b>Music</b>	<b>Sport</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Class \_\_\_\_\_

Details of Personal Achievement

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Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

***You are welcome to provide feedback on any items contained in our newsletter. Please do not hesitate to contact me if there is ever anything you wish to discuss.***

***Mrs Emma Henry, Head Teacher***

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*<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/re/stcatherines/>*

*(If you require a copy with larger print please contact the school office)*

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