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January 2020 Nursery Newsletter

A very Happy New Year to all members of our school community I do hope that you all enjoyed a very restful and peaceful Christmas. If you were lucky enough to get a new phone from Santa please remember to notify us of your new number.

Emma Henry

Thank you

On behalf of all the staff of St Catherine's Primary I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the kind cards and gifts received prior to Christmas. We are looking forward to the year ahead and I am sure we will have a very successful Term 3!

Applications

A reminder that all nursery applications for Session 2019-2020 should be returned to the school office as soon as possible.

Absences

Please remember to phone the nursery mobile if your child will be absent from nursery, thank you.

Christmas Show

Thank you for your support in preparing your children for their Christmas Show! With not a dry eye in the house, we know that you were all very impressed with your children. Well done boys and girls!

School Access / Inclement Weather

Please be aware that during the winter months, pavements around the school may be slippery. The playground areas could also be icy. Everyone is asked to take extra care and use the safest routes and those which have been gritted. The council policy is that only main walking routes/pathways in and out of the building will be treated with grit. A very big thank you to Mr O'Neill for doing more than required to keep our families safe. Mrs Henry is very grateful to have the best janitor in Paisley!

Primary 1 Registration

Children who reach 5 years of age between 1 March 2020 and 28 February 2021 inclusive should be registered for education in their catchment school as follows:

- **Pupils whose surnames begin with the letters A - L** should be registered on **Wednesday 15 January 2020**
- **Pupils whose surnames begin with the letters M - Z** should be registered on **Thursday 16 January 2020**

Registration will take place between 1pm - 3pm on those dates.

Parents should produce their child's birth certificate and **two proofs of residence** which must include: Council Tax notice for your property or proof that you have registered for Council Tax at that property, and a letter from your solicitor confirming that missives have been concluded or a rent book for rented property, tenancy agreement or mortgage/bank statement.

Original documents must be produced.

You must register your child in only one school - either the denominational or non-denominational school in your catchment area.

Parent Council

A very big thank you to our Parent Council for helping us to raise a fantastic £1214 for our school funds. We have consulted with staff, parents and pupils and this money will help towards purchasing new curtains for our stage area.

Password

Please remember to supply your child's Key Person with a password if they are being picked up by someone else thank you.

Change of Clothes

A reminder to all Parents/Carers to keep a change of clothes in your child's bag, thank you. Please provide your children with soft shoes to change into. It would be beneficial for your child to be dressed in clothing which is easy for them to manage to encourage independence when using the toilet. Please label all of your child's clothing, thank you.

Notice Board

Please remember to have a look at our notice board this will update you with what your children have been involved in each day and any new developments in our room.

Learning experiences

Our Busy Bee children have enjoyed learning new songs and rhymes. They have been taking part in baking and cooking experiences. Our children have been outdoors every day exploring and using natural resources to count, model and make pictures.

Our Daisy Room children have been working very hard to complete puzzles independently. Outdoors they have been exploring in the secret garden and using the mud kitchen. Our children have been developing their self-help skills by dressing independently and preparing their own snack.

Walking group

Our next walking group will be on **Tuesday 28th January 2020**. Please try to come along if you can. We are happy to hear suggestions as to where you would like to go, please speak to Teresa if you are interested in attending.

Open Day

This terms Open Day will be on **Wednesday 19th February 2020**. This is a fantastic opportunity for you to see what your child has been learning and for them to talk to you about their work. More information will go up on to our Parent Notice Board in the coming weeks.

Diary Dates

January

- 14 Bookbug session resume (morning session)
- 15 Primary 1 Registration 1pm-3pm (A-L)
- 16 Primary 1 Registration 1pm-3pm (M-Z)
Bookbug sessions resume (afternoon session)
- 28 Walking group

February

- 7 In-Service Day (Pupils do not attend)
- 10 Holiday
- 11 Holiday
- 12 In-Service Day (Pupils do not attend)
- 19 Open Day

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 ()

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

Name _____

Class _____

Details of Personal Achievement

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

The newsletter is available on the school website

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

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

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