

BULLETIN

ST. CHARLES' PRIMARY

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Dear Parents,

Thank you for your continued efforts at drop off and pick up times. Children are now very accustomed to the new Covid safe learning environment & are becoming much more proficient in washing hands & settling into class in the mornings.

We will be making a few changes after the October week holiday, from Tuesday 20th October,

We would ask that **from this date** Primary 1 parents leave their child at the school gate every morning and do not enter the playground. Parents can enter the playground at the end of the day, 2.45pm, to collect Primary 1 children. We would ask that parents leave the playground promptly to allow the rest of the school to leave safely.

After the October week holiday, **from Tuesday 20th October**, we are also going to tighten up the times for entry and dismissal. This will ensure less waiting time for pupils and parents as the cold & wet weather comes in. Arrangements will be;

Rooms 1,2,3,14,15 - 8.45am – 2.45pm

Rooms 4,5,6,7,12,13 – 8.55am – 2.55pm

Rooms 8,9,10,11 – 9am – 3pm

Arrangements with siblings can remain the same, siblings can come in to school and get picked up at the earlier time.

We would ask parents to leave the area around the gate as soon as they have collected their child, as it will be slightly more congested. We would ask that parents arrive on time to pick up children, as children cannot re enter the school after dismissal time. The gazebo will continue to be used as a pick up point.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

We have arranged for a photographer to come into the school and nursery to take individual photos of the children. The company is called Monument Photos and they can take indoor and outdoor photos using a gazebo for shelter. Photographs will be taken on Tues 20th, Wed 21st and Fri 23rd if extra day required. Packs of photos vary in price from £13.50 to £32. Every child will get an individual photo taken and parents will receive the proofs. Parents will be under no obligation to purchase photos. Follow link to view Covid certification.

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/re/public/stcharlesprimary/uploads/sites/2651/2020/09/30145615/Monument-Photos-Covid-Certification-image.jpg>

SCHOOL VALUES

In our school we value.....

GOD'S LOVE, INCLUSION, EACH OTHER, RESPECT, HONESTY, HARD WORK & RESPONSIBILITY

As a school we revised our school values a few years ago. Our values underpin everything we strive to do in our school and everything that we aim to be. Values posters are displayed in classrooms and common areas but more importantly our values are visible around the school in our actions. Senior staff, Class teachers, Support & Clerical staff are all committed to helping our children live these values but we **NEED** your help too. Talk to your child about our values, ask them to describe for you how each one looks in action in our school, and ask them about times when perhaps they themselves have not been firm in upholding a value. Share your own understanding of why these values are important not only in school but in all aspects of our lives.

This links in with our Golden Ticket Tea Parties. This is how we celebrate children who are nominated by staff in recognition of a wide range of positive attributes eg. Showing kindness to others, being a positive role model for others, making good academic progress, showing respect & good manners in their daily interactions and many, many, more. **#livingourvalues**. The Golden Ticket Tea Party is usually held monthly, with a pupil from every class receiving a Golden Ticket inviting them to a tea party with the Head Teacher.

This term children will still receive a Golden Ticket through the post, they will then be given a treat by the head teacher to be enjoyed at home. Unfortunately, we cannot bring all the children together like we did before. Look out for the Postman!!

MATHS WEEK

Week beginning 28th September is Maths Week. Look out on Twitter for examples of maths activities and challenges from every class! #MWSREN.

PUPIL PROGRESS REPORTING

Our arrangements for reporting to parents on pupil progress this session will be the following;

November – Interim Report with information on numeracy, literacy and health and wellbeing.

March – Skype/phone call/face to face parents evening

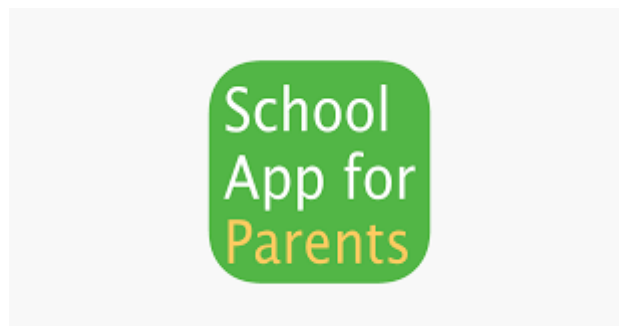
June – Annual progress report

Dates will be given nearer the time and arrangements will be subject to change in line with Covid regulations.

INFORMATION UPDATES

We are keen for all parents to download our school APP which is suitable for apple & android phones. We regularly share information via the APP. Please search for **School App for Parents** in the Google Play or Apple App Store. When you have downloaded the app please search for our school name to see our dates, news & receive messages.

Please also follow the school TWITTER page @stcharlespais for regular updates



WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK

Please support us with Walk to School Week starting on 5th October. If parents could park a short distance away from the school and walk the rest of the way, this would support walk to school and also help with parking and traffic congestion.



HOUSE SYSTEM

Our pupils enjoyed a fun House Afternoon last week! They made Coats of Arms for their Houses. Please see below for house colours.

House Name (HOUSE COLOUR)

St Margaret (YELLOW): St Ninian (RED): St Andrew (PURPLE): St Mirin (BLUE): St Columba (GREEN)

Some dates for your diary

Please note that these dates may be subject to change.

Date	Event	Target Group
Mon 28 th Sept	Maths Week	All pupils
Fri 2 nd October	Room 14 Virtual First Friday Mass at St Charles' Church at 10am - Link posted on Twitter	All welcome
Mon 5 th October	Walk To School Week	All pupils
Fri 9th October	World Mental Health Day. Pupils can wear yellow/own clothes	All pupils
Mon 12th – Fri 16 th Oct	OCTOBER WEEK HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED	All pupils
Mon 19 th Oct	IS Day. PUPILS DO NOT ATTEND SCHOOL	All pupils
Tues 20 th Oct	School reopens. Please see revised drop off and pick up times above.	All pupils
Tues 27th Oct	Flu vaccinations in school	All pupils with consent
Wed 28 th October	Virtual Parent Council AGM Meeting at 6.30pm via SKYPE	All welcome
Mon 2 nd November	Registration week for new P1 children. Information will be sent out.	New P1 parents
Friday 6 th November	Room 13 Virtual First Friday Mass at St Charles' Church at 10am - Link posted on Twitter	All welcome

Sat 7 th Nov	First Communion Masses in St Charles Church at 10am & 12pm	Ticket only
Sat 14 th Nov	First Communion Masses in St Charles Church at 10am & 12pm	Ticket only
Mon 30 th Nov	ST ANDREWS DAY HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED	All pupils
Tues 1 st Nov	School reopens	All pupils
Fri 4 th December	Room 12 Virtual First Friday Mass at St Charles' Church at 10m – Link posted on Twitter	All welcome
Wed 9 th December	Virtual Parent Council Meeting at 6.30pm via SKYPE	All welcome
Fri 18 th December	School closes at 2.30pm for Christmas holidays	All pupils
Wed 6 th Jan 2021	School reopens	All pupils

Yours sincerely,

Judith Kirk

Headteacher Acting