

# BULLETIN

ST. CHARLES' PRIMARY

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*Where you are Loved, Included and Respected*

Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you to the 10 parents who have completed our short parental consultation survey. We would ask you to please take some time to give us your views. We are reviewing our School Improvement Plan for session 2020/2021 while setting new priorities for session 2021/2022. We are keen to ensure parents are involved and that your opinions are considered. Please copy and paste the link to complete a short survey. Thank you for your support with this.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc2E-ezC6KjINIFFglVP6uGr0JweH8PknxB1\\_Goc86ph9KJfg/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc2E-ezC6KjINIFFglVP6uGr0JweH8PknxB1_Goc86ph9KJfg/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0)

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## PUPIL COUNCIL

Our Pupil Council are currently working on a Pupil Newsletter with feedback from the Pupil Survey during lockdown. This will be put on Google Classrooms for children to see when it is completed. It will also be displayed on the Pupil Council board in the school.

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## SCHOOL UPDATE

We are reviewing our risk assessments regularly, as restrictions ease. We will keep parents updated as things change. Thank you for your continued support at drop off and pick up times.

Our safer Schools pilot is well underway. Please see reminder below.

**As you will be aware, the 'Safer Schools' pilot begins on Monday 19 April and sees some streets outside the school unable to be used by cars during restricted times – namely at the start and the end of the school day.**

**This means that on weekdays during the school term, between 8.30am-9.15am and 2.30pm-3.15pm, no vehicles will be allowed in Rowan Street and part of Thrushcraigs Crescent – except those with an exemption.**

**An experimental traffic regulation order (ETRO) is in place for the duration of the pilot and Police Scotland will be able to issue Fixed Penalty Notices for anyone found driving in these streets during the restricted times without a valid exemption.**

**The pilot is due to run until 31 December 2021 and you can find out more about it here –**

[www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/SaferSchoolsPilot](http://www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/SaferSchoolsPilot).

We still have parents parking in these restricted areas. Please support the school with this safer school pilot. We all want to keep our children safe.

There is a Parent Hub Meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> May at 6.30pm. Fiona Muir from Safer Streets will attend the meeting. Please phone the school office if you would like information on how to join the meeting.

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## TRANSITION

Transitions for all children due to start Primary 1 in August are ongoing. Our new entrants from our ELCC have been working in small groups with Nursery staff, participating in a variety of learning experiences to further develop their skills. They have been focusing on Literacy, Numeracy & Health & Wellbeing activities including rhyming, storytelling, emotions, and

friendships. A P1 transition group is currently being set up on seesaw to allow transitions to continue virtually. Pauline Kelly will give parents further information about school visits as soon as she can.

Primary 7 have had a very exciting week with a visit from Mrs McGarvey, Depute Head at St Andrew's. Mrs McGarvey spent time in the classroom speaking with the children and answering questions about their transition to high school. Ashleigh Lavelle, our Home Link Worker and Mark Fulton, St Andrew's Pastoral care, delivered a workshop for P7 children. They were able to gain a valuable insight into daily high school life and ask any questions about high school. There will be a follow up workshop on the 27<sup>th</sup> May. Mrs Rennie, St Andrew's cluster transition teacher, has met with the children and will continue to work with P7 classes this term. Yvonne Kinsella and the P7 teachers have met with the pastoral team of St Andrews' to ensure a smooth transition to high school. There will be a St Andrew's parent information evening on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May. Information for this meeting has already been shared on the school App and Twitter. At present there is no further information re a school visit. We will update you accordingly should this information become available.

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### SACRAMENTS

Primary 7 pupils have now received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Congratulations to our P7 pupils, the celebrations in the church were very special and the children were exceptional. Thank you to Fr Jim, Pauline Kelly and the class teachers for preparing the children.

Selected pupils from P4 and 5 have been receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The dates are 29<sup>th</sup> April, 4<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> May 3.15 – 4pm in St Charles' Church. The First Holy Communions will take place on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> May at 10am and 12 in St Charles' Church.

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#### Some dates for your diary

Date	Event	Target Group
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Holiday. School & Nursery closed	All pupils
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> May	School and nursery re open Sacrament of Reconciliation @3.15pm St Charles' Church St Andrew's Information meeting 7pm	All pupils Selected P4,5 pupils P7 pupils
Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> May <b>REMINDER CHANGE OF DATE</b>	In-service day. School and Nursery closed. The May in-service day was changed to Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> May to cover schools closed on election day.	All pupils
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> May	School and nursery re open	All pupils
Sat 8 <sup>th</sup> May	First Holy Communions in St Charles' Church, 10am and 12	Selected pupils
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Sacrament of Reconciliation @3.15pm St Charles' Church	Selected P4,5 pupils
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Sacrament of Reconciliation @3.15pm St Charles' Church	Selected P4,5 pupils
Sat 15 <sup>th</sup> May	First Holy Communions in St Charles' Church, 10am and 12	Selected pupils
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Traffic survey taking place all week	
Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup> May	St Andrews Academy workshop	P7
Mon 31 <sup>st</sup> May	Holiday. School & Nursery closed	All pupils
Tues 1 <sup>st</sup> June	School and nursery re open	All pupils
Tues 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day (Provisional date) pupils only at this time	All pupils
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Annual report to parents	All pupils
Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Last day of session. School & Nursery close at 1pm	All pupils

Yours sincerely,



Headteacher Acting