

**June 2021      Nursery Newsletter**

Dear Parents,

Thank you for all your support and understanding of the procedures that are in place to keep everyone safe. I would like to remind parents and carers of the mitigations that have been put in place to keep our school community safe.

- Once you have dropped off/picked up your child we ask that you leave the school area quickly and do not stand and chat with other adults
- Strict social distancing for all adults not from the same household
- Only ONE adult per family accompanies/collects children
- Adults are required to wear a face-covering
- If anyone in your household is displaying symptoms (continuous cough, fever, loss of taste or smell) everyone must remain at home, book a test and follow the self-isolating guidelines

Our risk assessments and procedures have been reviewed in line with the continuously updated guidance. These are available to view upon request by contacting me directly.

For general health if your child has chicken pox or measles please inform the school office as soon as you can. We have vulnerable pupils in the school and nursery who need to be monitored closely for health.

Thank you for your continued support at drop off and pick up times.

**Sun Cream**

As the weather gets warmer, all children will require protection from the sun. Please ensure that your child has a hat and sun cream with them daily. The sun cream can be re-applied by staff if required as the children spend a lot of time outdoors. Please make sure that all sun cream is labelled and is in a zip lock bag.

**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 and our school blog <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/re/stcharlesprimary>



**Parking Update**

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

As you will be aware, the 'Safer Schools' pilot began 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**

#### **Reporting to parents**

Thank you to everyone who took time to speak to the nursery staff about their child's progress as they prepare for Primary 1. I hope you found this beneficial!

#### **Transitions**

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 Patricia and Shameela, participating in a variety of learning experiences to further develop their skills. A P1 transition group has been set up on seesaw to allow transitions to continue virtually.

On **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June** all ELCC children transitioning to primary 1 will spend the morning (am only) and afternoon (pm only) in their primary 1 classroom. Other primary 1 entrants from other ELCC establishments will visit at a later date. This will allow all children to experience a visit to the school or classroom before August. I would like to advise that pick-ups will be from the classrooms and information packs/forms will be issued. Staffing has not been finalised for next session but we will hopefully be able to update you soon as we can.

#### **Fun week**

Due to the current restrictions we have decided that we would have a Fun week this year replacing our annual Sports Day. This will allow races and other fun activities to take place during the course of the week, beginning on **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June**. The children will enjoy a special treat on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June of hot dogs as well as, a bouncy castle. We would appreciate it if all children are appropriately dressed wearing shorts, t-shirt, jogging trousers or leggings all week.

#### **New Nursery Entrants**

Transitions for our new and returning ELCC entrants will begin soon allowing opportunities for all children and parents to learn about our ELCC and to meet their key worker before August. This will be completed virtually, followed by an arranged doorstep visit.

#### **Graduation & Summer Party**

This years' Graduation and Summer party will take place on **Wednesday 23rd June**. Due to the current restrictions this will be for **staff and children only**. Videos and pictures will be sent via seesaw to capture the memories of their special day. Your child wear their party clothes. For many children this will be their last party in the nursery before they move onto various schools & is a great way to have fun with their friends and enjoy party food. Pre-school children will be presented with a special poem and gift for completing nursery & all other children will receive a book.

**Dates for diary**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Target Group</b>
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	School Sports Day (children only)	School
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Room 1,2 & 3 School trip	Room 1,2 & 3
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	New entrants from our ELCC transition visits am & pm	ELCC
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Rooms 14 & 15 – School trip	Room 14 & 15
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	New dinner menu	All pupils
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	ELCC Fun week begins (children only)	ELCC
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Bouncy castle & hot dogs	ELCC
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Parent Hub meeting @6.30pm via Teams	All parents welcome
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Rooms 10 & 11 School trip	Room 10 & 11
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Rooms 8 & 9 School trip	Room 8 & 9
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	P7 Fun Day	P7
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Rooms 5 & 7 School trip	Room 5 & 7
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	ELCC Graduation & Summer party (children only)	ELCC
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Last day of term. ELCC & School close at 1pm	All pupils

I would like to thank you all for your continued support throughout this difficult year. I hope you all have a very happy Summer and would like to wish all of our children well as they move to their new schools & ELCC. We will miss you all!



Kind Regards  
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