



News Update

Congratulations to Barshaw House, November's house winners. They enjoyed a "Winter Warmer" afternoon with a Christmas movie with hot chocolate and marshmallows.

The recent joint St James' and Mossvale P7 assembly to commemorate Armistice Day was a great success and drew much praise from parents, the Provost and veterans from the Royal British Legion. Well done to P7 children and staff from both schools.

Thanks to those P2 and P3 parents who were able to come along to receive the Read, Write, Count bags last week. The bags are given to all P2/3 children across Scotland to promote family learning at home. Thanks also to Miss Dooris and Mrs Coyle for organising the event and providing a short presentation to promote good ways to use the contents of the bags.

Monday 4 December
Sacramental meeting for P4 and P7 at 6pm

Wednesday 6 December
Christmas Lunch

Thursday 7 December
First Thursday Mass
Whole school panto performance

Friday 8 December
Own clothes day -
homebaking/mince pies
Christmas Fayre 1.15pm

Sunday 10 December
P4 & P7 Mass in St James' Church, 10am

Friday 15 December
Infant Nativity 11am
P6 visit to Mossvale Church for 'Bubblemum & Fluff'

Tuesday 19 December
Class Christmas parties - own clothes

Wednesday 20 December
Early closure for Christmas holiday 2.30pm

Thursday 4 January 2018
Return to school
First Thursday Mass

Infant Nativity

Our P1 and P2 children have been working very hard to prepare for our Nativity, "A King is Born", which will take place on Friday 15 December in St James' Church, Greenock Road at 11am. Our P3's will also be performing some Christmas songs and carols. We look forward to as many parents and friends of St James' Primary joining us for this joyous event.



St James' Parish Church

Our first Thursday Mass for December will take place on 7 December. Our First Thursday Mass for January will take place on our first day back to school on Thursday 4 January 2018.

P5-7 Confessions

Fr John will be coming into the school to hear P5 Confessions on Monday 11 December and P6 & 7 Confessions on Tuesday 12 December.

Christmas Parties

Class Christmas Parties are due to take place at the following times:

P1 & P2: Tuesday 19 December (pm)

P3 & P4: Monday 18 December (pm)

P5-7: Wednesday 20 December (am)

Christmas Lunch

Our annual Christmas lunch will take place on Wednesday 6 December. If your child has not already chosen a lunch option for this day then they will need to bring a packed lunch.

There has also been a change to the menu on Thursday this week: Option 1 - Chicken pasta bake, option 2 - baked potato, option 3 - sandwich

Active Schools

Our new online booking system for Active schools is working well, we hope you have found it easy to enrol your child for classes. You will need to log on to <https://rl-stjames.class4kids.co.uk> and create an account which will then allow you to register your child for clubs and pay online.



Christmas Fayre

Our annual Christmas Fayre will take place on **Friday 8 December from 1.15pm to 2.45pm**. Thank you for your generosity once again in providing donations and raffle prizes. We will have another Own Clothes Days on Friday and would appreciate donations of Homebaking/mince pies.

Please note that school lunch options on Friday will be sandwiches only. This is to allow the hall to be set up for the fayre.



Sacramental Meeting

All P4 and P7 parents/carers are invited to a Sacrament Meeting on Monday 4 December at 6pm in school. This meeting will be held by Mrs McKay and Father John Morrison who will give details of the preparation needed for children receiving the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation in 2018. Please bring a copy of your child's baptismal certificate if requested to do so. A Sacramental enrolment Mass will take place in the church on Sunday 10 December at 10am.

P1 Enrolment

Please note that our Primary One registration for 2018-2019 session will take place on the following dates in January:

All surnames from A-L should register on Wednesday 10 January 2018 from 1300-1500 hours.

All surnames from M-Z should register on Thursday 11 January 2018 from 1300-1500 hours.

Parents should produce their child's birth certificate and 2 proofs of residence, which **MUST** include council tax notice for the property or proof that you have registered for council tax at that property, and a letter from your solicitor confirming missives have been concluded or a rent book for rented property, tenancy agreement or mortgage/bank statement.

