



## "News Update"

Our P7 children joined up with the P7s from the whole of Paisley Diocese to celebrate a P7 Vocations Mass with Bishop John at St Mirin's Cathedral earlier this month. It was also lovely to have 6 of our P6/7 children and their parents represent the school at Bishop Johns' Faith, Hope and Freedom Mass. The attendance of these children will count towards their Pope Francis Faith Awards.

An important aspect of our current School Improvement Plan is focussing on raising attainment in Health and Wellbeing. As part of our work on this, Mrs Hillier's P3/4 class gave a wonderful assembly presentation on the importance of Nurture and how we can support and nurture one another. Well done P3/4 and Mrs Hillier. We look forward to the other classes giving similar presentations throughout the year.

**Tuesday 1 November**  
P7 WW2 Workshop  
First Thursday Mass

**Monday 7 November**  
P7 Info evening at St Andrew's Academy (5-7pm)

**Friday 11 November**  
Joint Assembly with Mossvale Primary

**Tuesday 15 November**  
Parent Council Meeting

**Thursday 24 November**  
Parents Evening

**Friday 25 November**  
Ladies' Night in Beechwood Community Centre

**Wednesday 30 November**  
St Andrews' Day Holiday

**Friday 2 December**  
Christmas Fayre

**Friday 16 December**  
P1 and P2 Nativity (11am)

### P7 WW2 Workshop



Our P6/7 children will visit Paisley Museum to participate in a WW2 workshop where they will learn about Paisley during the War. This visit will take place on Tuesday 1 November. Unfortunately, their visit clashes with our monthly Mass celebration but we know the children will benefit from the trip which will enhance their learning about life during WW2.



### First Thursday Mass

Our First Thursday Mass which was scheduled to take place on Thursday 3 November has been brought forward to Tuesday 1 November. This change has been made to allow us to attend Mass to celebrate All Saints Day. If you are able to accompany us to Mass then please let the school office know.

### Parents Evening

Our Parents Evening will take place from 3.15pm on Thursday 24 November. Letters will be sent with more information next week.

### Parent Council



Our next Parent Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 15 November at 5.30pm in our school staff room. We invite all parents to come along and hear how you can actively support our pupils and our school.

### P7 Information Evening

All parents/carers of P7 pupils are invited to St Andrew's Academy for an information evening. The event takes place on Monday 7 November from 5-7pm.

### Joint Assembly



We are holding a joint assembly with Mossvale Primary on Armistice Day Friday 11 November, both P7 classes will lead the assembly.

### Lost Property



Unfortunately our Lost Property pile is growing by the day! There are many, many lost items in our lost property box in the GP area. **Please ensure your child's name is written on all their belongings!** It is your child's responsibility to be in charge of their own belongings and if they lose an article they will be directed to our lost property box to find it. If your child returns home with another child's belonging then please ensure it is returned to school the next day.

## LADIES NIGHT

### Ladies Night!

Oh yes it's Ladies' Night! Come along to our Ladies' Night on Friday 25 November at 7pm in the Beechwood Community Centre. It will be an evening packed full of shopping stalls including Christmas gifts, cupcakes, candles, Thorntons chocolates and relaxing beauty treatments. Tickets are priced at £3 each. You are invited to stay and enjoy some catch up time with your friends and BYOB. This event is for over 18yrs only.



### St James' and Mossvale Primary Construction Update

We are scheduled to take over our half of the extension next month. From this time, our P4/5, P5/6 and P6/7 classes will be based in this superb new learning and teaching environment.

Our P1 and P1/2 classes will remain in their current locations and our P2/3 and P3/4 classes will be located in the portacabin currently being used by Mossvale Primary School.

We will be preparing the children for the little changes to their daily routines this will bring about. However, we recognise that little things can become a big worry to some so we ask that you help us prepare the children by making sure they are clear about where to line up, be picked up after school etc.

The aim is to have all four classes in the temporary portacabins relocated to the completely refurbished St James' by February 2017. Please contact the school if you have any concerns about these temporary arrangements. Please note that the new telephone number is **0300 300 1330**.



### Parent Group

Trudy Rossi, Homelink, is looking forward to welcoming parents at the drop in coffee mornings starting on Wednesday 2 November. It will be held in the hall at St James' Church every Wednesday from 9.30-10.30.

The Coffee mornings are open to everyone and are an opportunity to chat with other parents. Trudy will also be on hand to help with any advice issues anyone might have. Trudy would be delighted to meet any of our parents/guardians to discuss any questions or concerns you have no matter how small they seem! There is no agenda for the sessions. To find out more about what Trudy can help with and what the Homelink service can offer why not pop along and have a cup of tea!



### St Andrew's Day

School will be closed on our national St Andrew's Day Holiday which is Wednesday 30 November. Return to school on Thursday 1 December.



### Credit Union

Our new applications for Credit Union have been processed and our credit union collections will be collected by Mrs Connell on a Friday at assembly.

### Christmas Fayre

The Fayre will be held on Friday 2 December from 1.15-2.45pm in the school. In the weeks leading up to the Christmas Fayre we will be collecting a variety of items:

Friday 4 November - Tins

Friday 11 November - Toiletries

Friday 18 November - Bottles

Friday 25 November - Toys

Friday 2 December - Home baking and mince pies

\*We would also welcome any raffle prize donations.

\*The success of the Fayre very much depends on your donations and we are very grateful for anything you are able to give.

*\*Please note all pupils who bring in an item are invited to wear their own clothes on that Friday.*