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# St John Bosco RC Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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## Dear Parents and Families

### Welcome back

Welcome back

It has been lovely to welcome our children back for the final term of this school session. Thank you to everyone for continuing to follow current guidance and helping to keep our school community safe and well. We have been very fortunate with the weather this week and hopefully the sun will continue to shine in the weeks ahead.

School Uniform

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Staffing update

As we approach the end of this school session, I am aware that parents will be thinking ahead to our next school year. As you know, this year, we have had a relaxed uniform in place. The relaxed uniform has been successful this session and was appropriate in the circumstances. However, as we begin a new school session in August 2021, we will return to our traditional school uniform which is outlined below. I would like to thank all parents for their support with school uniform this session.

Planters

### Boys Uniform

Reporting absence

**Boys Uniform:** Blue blazer/blue fleece jacket with school badge, grey trousers, blue shirt, school tie, grey pullover.

**Boys PE:** Blue shorts, St John Bosco branded PE top, for outdoor PE boys can also wear blue joggers and a blue hoodie, no jewellery should be worn on PE days

Dogs on the campus

### Girls Uniform

**Girls Uniform:** Blue blazer/blue fleece jacket with school badge, grey skirt / grey trousers, blue shirt, school tie, grey pullover/cardigan. In recent years some girls have been wearing blue and grey tartan/checked pinafores – these **ARE NOT** part of our school uniform and should not be worn.

Activity Day

**Girls PE:** Blue shorts, St John Bosco branded PE top, for outdoor PE girls can also wear blue joggers and a blue hoodie, no jewellery should be worn on PE days.

May Day Holiday & Inservice Day

### Planters

Following a successful funding application, the parent council have asked each class to plant ornamental displays to be donated to the local community. Each class look after their planted display in the coming weeks before they are donated to local community establishments before the end of term when they are in full bloom.

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## Staffing update

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Mrs Morrison finished for her maternity leave on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April. We wish Mrs Morrison well and look forward to sharing her good news with you in the coming weeks. Miss Laura Edwards has joined our staff team and will be working in primary 2 for the remainder of this session. For primary 2 parents who would like to contact Miss Edwards, her email address has been shared on the primary 2 google classroom.

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## Pregnant staff

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Local authority guidance for pregnant staff who are more than 28 pregnant has changed in recent weeks. Staff members who are over 28 weeks pregnant must now work from home. We currently have 1 staff member working from home and in the coming weeks another staff member will also be working from home. The days worked by these staff members will be covered by members of the senior leadership team in the coming weeks so we would ask that parents be patient when contacting Mrs Bannigan and Mrs Callaghan in particular as their class commitment will increase for the remainder of this session.

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## Reporting absence

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Many parents continue to email class teachers directly to report a child's absence or medical appointment. Whilst you may want to inform class teachers directly this information does not always get passed immediately to the school office as teachers are busy in class. To ensure that absences are marked correctly and to ensure that parents are not contacted unnecessarily please also inform the school office of absence or medical appointments. The office can be contacted by telephone on 0300 300 1447 or by email at [stjohnboscoenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk](mailto:stjohnboscoenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk)

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## Dogs on the campus

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There have been incidences this week of dogs fouling in the playground. I must remind you that in order to keep everyone safe dogs are not allowed in our school playground. If you are collecting a child from the school office, we would also ask that you do not bring your dog to the main school entrance but keep it at a safe distance from the entrance.

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## Activity Day

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We are in the process of working with our colleagues in Active Schools to organise an activity day for the whole school on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June. This will take place within the pitch and school playground and will be in accordance with current Scottish Government guidelines. Once details have been finalised, we will share them with children and parents.

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## May Day Holiday & Inservice Day

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School will be closed on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May for the May Day holiday, we will re-open on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May. School will also be closed on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> May as this in an in-service day.

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*Take care and stay safe,*

*Lynsey Gardyne*  
Head Teacher

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