

## St. John Ogilvie Primary School

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**Head Teacher: Miss L Murray**  
**Director of Children's Services: Mr Steven Quinn**  
28<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

### March Newsletter

#### Fairtrade Fortnight

Thanks to all who supported our Fairtrade Coffee Morning and a special thanks to Mrs Heath and the Fairtrade Committee for their organisation of the event. The committee raised £112.01 and will use this money to purchase Fairtrade Footballs.

#### PE Kit

A reminder of PE days:

P1 Wednesday, Thursday  
P1/2 Monday, Friday  
P2/3 Monday, Tuesday  
P3 Monday, Tuesday  
P4 Wednesday, Thursday  
P5 Monday, Wednesday  
P6 Wednesday, Thursday  
P7 Tuesday, Thursday

In the interest of health and safety all jewellery should be removed for PE lessons. If your child wears earrings, then they may bring in tape to cover their earrings in accordance with Renfrewshire Council health and safety guidance. Thank you for your support in this matter.

#### Who Cares? Scotland

Who Cares? Scotland is a national voluntary organisation, working with care experienced young people and care leavers across Scotland. **On Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 6pm- 6.40pm**, Who Cares? Scotland will be holding an information session in the school for parents/carers to attend. During this evening there will be a chance to hear more about the work they do and the work they can do to support children who are or have been care experienced.

The term 'care experienced' refers to anyone who has been, or is currently in care. This care may have been provided in many different settings, such as:

- Kinship care – living with a relative who is not your mum or dad.
- Looked after at home – with the help of social work.
- Residential care – living in a residential unit or school.
- Foster care – living with foster carers.
- Secure care – living in a secure unit.
- Adoption



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The session will be very informative and is open to **any parent/carer** who wishes to attend. Who Cares? Scotland have already worked with all staff in the school and will be delivering a workshop to Primary 6 and Primary 7 in March. In order to ensure we have enough chairs available please can I ask you to complete the tear off slip at the end of this letter and return it to the school office.

### **Mindfulness Sessions for Parent/Carers**

Mrs Benton is offering Mindfulness sessions for parents. If you would be interested in attending these sessions please complete the tear-off slip at the end of this newsletter and return it to the school office before Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March.

### **Lent**

During Lent, Primary 6 will be selling paper hearts for SCIAF. Pupils can bring in a donation of no more than 50p to purchase a heart. All money raised will go to the SCIAF wee box appeal.

### **School Fundraiser - On Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**

The children will be taking part in a Clubbercise session to raise money for school funds. A sponsor form came home last week, if you need another copy please contact the school office. We would ask that all sponsor forms and money are returned to the school by Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March. Please note this fundraiser is not on Parent Pay and any money should be handed into the school office. Please remind your child only to ask people they know to sponsor them, pupils should not approach strangers. On this day pupils can wear sports clothes to school.

### **Vikingar**

On Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, Primary 4 will be visiting the Vikingar as part of their focus topic.

### **World Book Day**

This takes place on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March. Pupils are welcome to dress up as a character from a book or to wear their pyjamas on this day. Pupils are also welcome to bring a book to school if they wish. Please remember to wear a jacket to school on this day.

### **Internet Safety**

On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March the Community Police will speak to the children during assembly about keeping safe online.

### **Inspired Art**

I am delighted to inform you that art work of Zac P4 has been selected to be shown in the 'Inspired' exhibition at The Tannahill Centre in Paisley. The exhibition is open from 9<sup>th</sup> March to 20<sup>th</sup> April. Well done Zac!

### **Feast of St John Ogilvie**

This year we will celebrate our feast day on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March. On this day we ask that pupils wear full school uniform (shirt and tie). We will celebrate our feast day with mass and a concert:

Mass will be celebrated at 10am in St Mirin's Cathedral. Parents, carers and friends of the school are welcome to join us. If you are able to walk with us to and from the Cathedral please contact the school office. We will be leaving the school at 9.15am.

Our Scotland Concert will take place in the school gym hall and begin at 1.30pm. Doors open at 1.10pm. Parents and Carers are welcome to attend.

### **SSPCA**

On Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March the SSPCA will deliver workshops to children.

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### **P7 Visit to St Andrew's**

On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March Primary 7 will visit the Science Department in St Andrew's. Please ensure your child has returned their consent form.

### **The Write Stuff**

On Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March, Jane Considine the author of The Write Stuff will deliver writing lessons in Primary 1, 3 and 6. We look forward to welcoming Jane to our school.

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

On Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm in St Mirin's Cathedral, Primary 4 will be making their Sacrament of Reconciliation. The boys and girls should be in the church for no later than 6.45pm wearing their own clothes. We are looking forward to this special night.

### **Primary 7 Residential Trip**

A reminder that the final balance of your child's trip should be paid by Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2020. The children leave on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March and return on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March.

### **Health Focus**

This will take place from Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March – Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April. Pupils are invited to wear their sports clothes to school on these days. During the week there will be a variety of sporting activities taking place. As a parent/carer, if you are able to offer any sporting/health sessions during this week please contact the school office. We would be delighted to hear from you!

On Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April pupil are welcome to wear their own clothes to school. On this day the children take part in a school talent show.

### **Holiday**

The school closes for Easter on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April at 2.30pm. The school reopens for pupils on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April.

### **Parent Partnership**

The next meeting of the Parent Partnership will be the AGM on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 6pm in the school. All parents/carers are welcome to attend.

The Parent Partnership will be holding their annual Quiz Night on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm in Priorscroft Bowling Club tickets cost £4.00 and can be purchased on the door.

Any donations for the raffle would be greatly appreciated and can be handed into the school office.

### **Parent Partnership 100 Club winners:**

1. 79 Ensio Piironen £77
2. 47 Honor Harkin £38.50
3. 54 Maria Smith £19.25

	Well Done	Star Pupil
Primary 1	Kellen & Michal	Emma
Primary 1/2	Freddie	Brodie
Primary 2/3	Erin	Amber
Primary 3	Mateusz	Georgina
Primary 4	Kayla	Keelan
Primary 5	Tallulah	Jessica
Primary 6	Tyler	Maria
Primary 7	Lee	Sean



Ace Achievers: Klaudia, Emily, Tyler, Aaron, Iona, Stella, Gabriella, Sophia, Freya, Charlotte, Emma, Paige, Kendall, Elena, Maria, Olga, Anna, Ruby, Finn, Shay

If you have any questions regarding this update or indeed any aspects of your child's education, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Yours faithfully,



Lorna Murray  
Head Teacher

Dates at time of print

Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Sponsored Clubbercise Parent/Carer Session delivered by Who Cares? Scotland from 6pm – 6.40pm in school
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Primary 4 visiting the Vikingar
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	P7 Guitar lessons All sponsor forms/ money returned by today
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day. Children can wear PJs/ dress up as favourite character and bring a book to school if they wish.
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Community Police speaking at assembly Parent Partnership Quiz Night 7pm Priorscroft Bowling Club. Tickets on the door
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Feast of St John Ogilvie Mass at 10am in Cathedral – all welcome 1.30pm Scotland Concert in school
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	P6 Guitar lessons
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	SSPCA delivering workshops in school Who Cares? Scotland delivering workshops in P6 and P7
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Primary 7 visit to St Andrew's science department
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	P4 visiting St Mirin's Cathedral
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	P4 Sacrament of Reconciliation in Cathedral at 7pm (pupils should wear own clothes and be in Cathedral for no later than 6.45pm) P7 Guitar lessons
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Parent Partnership AGM in school 6pm – all welcome
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	P7 leave for Dounans
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	P7 at Dounans P6 Guitar lessons
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	P7 at Dounans
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	P7 return from Dounans
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Health Week – pupils wear sports clothes to school
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Health Week – pupils wear sports clothes to school
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Health Week – pupils wear sports clothes to school
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Stations of the cross for pupils only Talent Show Pupils can wear own clothes on this day
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Holiday
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	School reopens to pupils
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Winner of SJO's got talent – HT and DHT for the day
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Traditional Music workshops
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> April	Bishop John visiting Primary 7
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	P7 Sacrament of Confirmation
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	School closed to pupils (In-Service Day)
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	School closed to pupils (In-Service Day)



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Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	School closed to pupils - Holiday
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	School reopens to pupils
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Primary 4 visiting the Cathedral
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Sacrament of First Holy Communion
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Parent Partnership Meeting – 6pm in school – all welcome
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	P6 visiting Lapwing Lodge for Safe Kids event Parents' Evening
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Ascension Thursday/ Thanksgiving Mass for P4 and P7 9.15am in school all welcome
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	School closed to pupils – holiday
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	School closed to pupils – holiday
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Induction day for all P7 pupils attending St Andrew's from August 2020
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	Induction day for all P7 pupils attending St Andrew's from August 2020
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Whole school 'house' football tournament
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Final of football tournament
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day – In lagoon from 1.15pm- 2.30pm
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	P7 Family Graduation Mass and Awards Evening in school 7pm – 9pm
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	P7 Graduation Disco in school 7pm – 9pm
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Parent Partnership Meeting – 6pm in school - all welcome
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Whole school trip to Heads of Ayr
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	School closes at 1pm for summer break

### Who Cares? Scotland

I will be attending the Who Cares? Scotland session on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March from 6pm – 6.40pm.

Parent/Carer Name (s) attending : \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Parent/ Carer Mindfulness Sessions

In order to gauge interest please complete the following information and return it to the school office on or before Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March

I would be interested in attending mindfulness sessions from:

9.15am-9.45am

2.15pm-2.45pm

3.15pm – 3.45pm



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