

## St Paul's Primary School

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**HEAD TEACHER: LOUISE A MAHER**

Dear Parent / Carer,

It seems very strange to be writing this letter at the end of term not being with our children. However, I have just watched the amazing movie made by yourselves. I was sitting here in my office on my own crying my eyes out. It was truly amazing. After these difficult months and challenging week, it was exactly the medicine I needed. Thank you from the bottom of my heart, I will treasure this.

As this is the final letter of the session I have some exciting news to share.

### Nurturing Relationships

As you know our approach to nurturing relationships across the school is at the core of everything we do here at St Paul's Primary. I am delighted to share that we have been successful in our accreditation and have achieved Level 4 Gold Award for this work. We are the first and only primary school in Renfrewshire to achieve this level. I am delighted at the recognition this gives our staff, children and families. As we have all worked on this approach over the last 4 years. I would like to share a particular word of thanks to Mrs Nicholson who was a driving force behind this work and who pulled our 4 years of evidence together for the application process.

### Sports Day Winner

As you know this is a tradition at St Paul's and although we were unable to do a real sports day we did have our virtually health week and sports day where the children were able to win points for their House.

The winner for session 2019/20 is St Ninian House. Well done to them and everyone who took part. Thanks to David Rose our active schools co-ordinator and Mrs White who worked in organising these events. Huge thanks to you the families, who supported these activities not only during health week but throughout our Olympic Challenges. At the moment, we are 4<sup>th</sup> in the Leaders Board across Renfrewshire, so well done to everyone.

### House of the Year

As you know throughout the year the children can earn points towards their house. This can be through work in school, in the community and the parish. It can include academic achievements as well as wider learning experiences of our children. At the end of the session the points are collated and we have a winning house. The winning house for session 2019/20 is St Ninian House. Congratulations to them and all the amazing work and achievements of all our children.



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### Brannigan Award Winners

Again this is a tradition of St Paul's Primary. Although we were unable to share with families and friends, we did announce the winners when P7 returned for a visit this week. I am delighted to announce that Shahed Hannawe and Liam Moohan were the winners of our Brannigan Award 2019/20. Their names have been added to the board along with our previous winners. Both of these pupils have not only demonstrated a commitment and dedication to school work they have also demonstrated skills within the community. Both of them have contributed to their communities in different ways and by raising money for others. Both of them are active participants in their faiths and both of them live out their daily lives as excellent role models to others. We wish them and all the P7 children a successful journey onto High School.

### August 2020

You will have heard the announcement this week from the Depute First Minister which creates some uncertainty around August. As you know we have been working, these last 3 weeks, on a blended learning model to ensure a planned return for children in smaller groups. As stated in the letter from Steven Quinn Director of Children's Services, Renfrewshire Council will continue to communicate any developments with you. A few people have asked about uniform. If you have already purchased polo-shirts etc then this will be fine for children to wear. If we return to a full-time model and you wish your child to wear a shirt and tie, this too will be fine. We have all experienced many changes and I do not wish to make this any more complicated. The focus for us is to make sure the school environment is safe for our children to return to.

Thank you once again for all your support and kind words. On behalf on the staff and myself we wish you a relaxing break, fingers crossed the weather remains good. Stay safe and take care.

Kind Regards

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