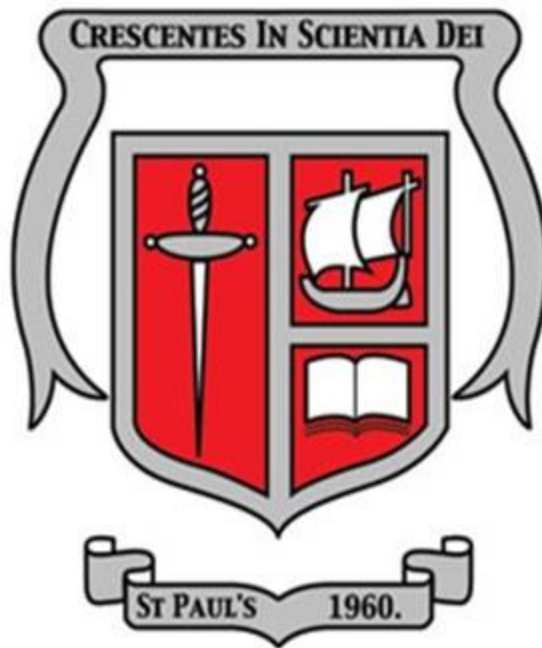




St Paul's Primary November 2021



1 - Dear Parents / Carers,

Huge thanks to all who supported St Paul's Church Race Night. What a fantastic community feel and an amazing amount of money raised - over £2000 for funds for the Church.

FAMILY MASS

We had such a fabulous turn out at our Family Mass last month we cannot wait for the next one. This takes place on Sunday 31st October at 10am with breakfast rolls afterwards in the hall. We would love to see you all there.

Covid Update

We will continue issuing "warn and inform" text messages when we have a positive case, as directed by the Scottish Government. These text messages are prescribed by the Scottish Government and contain the same information across all schools.

PLEASE NOTE: No pupil should come to school if they have symptoms which could be related to Covid. Please ensure a PCR test is taken and a negative result received and shown to the office

before returning to school. If anyone in the household has symptoms or is waiting on a PCR result- the household MUST ISOLATE until a negative PCR result is returned.

Please continue to take LFD tests twice weekly and upload your results, as these will help with the spread of the virus.

We were waiting on an update from the Scottish Government during the October break, however, you will be aware from the news, that there has been no relaxation to the mitigations in school.

We will continue to operate with the same systems across our school community.



2 - Halloween

Children may dress up on Friday. I ask that you support us with NO MASKS, FACE PAINTS OR PROPS. These can often scare younger children or children who find disguises challenging. In order to ensure all our children feel included I ask that you respect these requests. This will allow all our children to enjoy the day while still feeling safe and secure at school. If children do not wish to dress up they can come in their own clothes - as usual no football tops. Children will have class parties with some treats.

Parents' Evening

Staff have now completed their telephone calls, providing you with an update on how your child/ren have settled into their new class. There are a few who have still not answered the call. Please note it will come from an unknown number when staff call.

Family Engagement

We are currently planning some family engagement activities to allow us to come together as a community and have some fun. We have delayed this till term 3 January - March in the hope they can be in person. Quiz time, knitting and art and craft are a few ideas so far. Further information to follow.

Extended Support Team Meetings

Every year we discuss the needs of all children in the school to ensure we are doing all we can to help them. At these meetings we invite our Home-link Worker & Educational Psychologist along to offer advice and support. These Extended Support Team (EST) meetings will be taking place over the

next few months. If there are any actions or suggestions for how we support your child, Mrs Nicholson will be in touch to discuss this with you.



3 - Parent Council

The next Parent Council meeting is on Wednesday 3rd November 6.30pm in the Church Hall. If you would like to attend please email the Parent Council to ensure they are aware of the number of people attending. They would love to hear any ideas or suggestions you have for our children. Remember minutes from meetings can be found on school website, and can also be emailed directly on request.

PRIMARY 7 PLEA FOR HELP

Thank you for all your donations to Primary 7 as they support the charity Refuweegee. As a final push Primary 7 are organising an own clothes day on Friday 5th November. We ask that in return children bring donations of food. Preferred foods are those that will last such as tins, dried food. Toiletries are also welcome such as toothpaste, toothbrushes. Thank you.

Flu Vaccine

If your child was absent and / or unable to get their flu vaccine this week you can still take them along to one of the clinics. See details below.

To book a community flu vaccine visit to a clinic please call: 0141 201 4191 or email Child.Flu@ggc.scot.nhs.uk and include the following information; Child's Name, Date of Birth, School, Chi Number (If Known)

Parent Pay

If you have not already done so please activate your child/children's parent pay account. We are unable to take cash in school. There will be the occasional school event where cash will be accepted, but this will be the exception rather than the rule. Please contact Amanda or Jo in the office, on 0300-300-0187 if you need help accessing Parent Pay.

Primary 1 Registration

If you have a child who is due to come to school in August 2022 registration will go live between 1st - 5th November 2021.

The link to the form will appear on the page just prior to the registration period going live at

<https://www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/article/11957/Apply-for-a-place-at-school>.

Morrision's

Remember your last chance to download your vouchers is Sunday 31st October.

School Grounds

Thank you to Mr Houston and 3 pupils who came in during the October break to help tidy the school grounds and trim some trees. It has made such a difference.

CHRISTMAS

Our annual Nativity will take place virtually again this year. We will send out links and information and this will go live on 17th December.

Children had designed Christmas Cards and the Parent Council will be selling packs of these. This is a lovely idea for you to give a personally designed card to friends and family.

Pantomime - we had hoped to be able to attend face to face panto this year, however, we have been told that this will not be possible. We are now looking into an online pantomime to share with children in December.

Christmas Fayre - our Parent Council are hoping to be able to arrange a Christmas Fayre this year. More details to follow.

Dates for the Diary



NOVEMBER - Month of COP 26 and Catholic Education Week

Sunday 31st October - Family Mass at St Paul's Church

Monday 1st November – All Saints Day (Holyday of Obligation)

Wednesday 3rd November - Parent Council Meeting

Monday 8th November - SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Tuesday 9th November - SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Friday 12th November - Day of Celebration for COP 26

Tuesday 16th November - Feast of St Margaret and start of Catholic Education Week. The theme this year is: Celebrating and Worshipping

Tuesday 30th November – St. Andrew's Day – school closed

Wednesday 1st December – Pupils restart at usual time

Wednesday 8th December - Mass for close of The Year of St Joseph. Primary 6

Friday 17th December - Nativity will be sent out

Monday 20th December - school Christmas parties

Wednesday 22nd December – last day of school term

CONTACT US! If you need to get in touch or want to find out more about our school please see details below.

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4 - Kind Regards

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