




Education Resources
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Dear Parents and Carers,

Please have a read through our **November Newsletter** to find out what is happening in St. Bride's School Community. I apologise as it is longer than usual as I have included some December information for our Nursery and School.

This month's focuses are detailed below: Please refer to the A-Z of Attachment leaflet for more detail.

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A-Z of Attachment Strategy			
S	Stop Shaming	Please refer to the Leaflet for more information about WHY these are important? and WHAT you can do? A copy of the full leaflet and can be found on the School Website.	
T	Talents and Interests		
U	Understand every childhood experiences		

Parentsportal.scot

Thank you to the parents who have downloaded the app and are using the Parentsportal app. As we move forward **all school communication**, including Newsletters, school trips, Annual Data checks, Calendar updates, Pupil End of Year Reports, etc will be issued via this platform and not by email or pupil post. We would ask that all parents download the app. To access online services for your child download the parentsportal.scot APP. **If you need any support in signing up, please contact the school office.**

Nursery

The children within the nursery have been learning about autumn, Halloween and the festival of Guy Fawkes. We are continuing to learn outdoors choosing and exploring our natural world. We have also started to practise our Nativity and we are looking forward to performing for our families. **From the week beginning the 6th of November parents/carers are welcome to join in our 'Stay and Play' sessions with their child. We are hoping many of our families will join us.**

Class Trips

Each class is going on a FREE school trip. The cost of the trip will be covered by our Pupil Equity Fund. Primary 4, 4/5 & 5 are visiting the Riverside Museum and Tall Ship in Glasgow on **Tuesday 7th November**. P6, P6/7 and P7 have booked the cinema as part of Film Week on **November 14th am**. Look out for further class trip details throughout the year. Please access Permission Slips on the Parentsportal app and look out for photographs on Twitter.

Primary 7 Transition Event

Primary 7 will take part in a Sports event at Trinity High School on **Thursday 9th November**. This is another fabulous transition opportunity for the pupils to meet and work collaboratively with pupils from the other primary schools in the Trinity Learning Community.

Remembrance Day Service

Two senior pupils and a member of staff will represent our school and join other local schools and organisations at a Service to mark Remembrance Day on Friday 10th November at 11am at Cambuslang Remembrance Garden.

St. Bride's School Community a joyful place where; We can Dream, We do Believe and We will Achieve great things!

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Catholic Education Fortnight – 16th - 30th November

The Annual Education mass will be celebrated by Bishop Toal in Motherwell Cathedral on Thursday 16th November at 7pm. Bishop Toal invites all families to this celebration of mass.

As part of our celebrations and learning within school we are having a **Prayer Breakfast on Thursday 30th November at 8.30am.**

Families and children are invited along to the school dining hall from **8.30am** for toast, tea/coffee, and milk.

At **9am** we will gather as a whole school community for a short prayer service led by Father Morton and our Pope Francis Faith Award pupils. All families are warmly invited to attend.

As it is St. Andrew's Day, children may wear a 'touch of tartan' to school, and we will be collecting donations for the local foodbank.

Family Learning Open Afternoon – Wednesday 22nd November 1.30-2.30pm

Parents and families are invited along to the school on Wednesday 22nd November for a Literacy & Health & Wellbeing themed Open Afternoon from 1.30pm - 2.30pm.

Pupils will lead this session in their classes where families can see and 'have a go' a variety of Literacy & Health & Wellbeing activities.

Sacramental Information

Primary 7 Confirmation will be held in St. Bride's Church on **Tuesday 28th November at 7pm.**

Please complete the Goggle Form which will be sent out shortly via email. The requested information is required for parish records prior to the children receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Children are preparing well in school, and we will send arrangements for the night out to families nearer the time. Bishop Toal will visit the children in school prior to the Sacrament as part of their preparations.

First Friday Mass

Mass was celebrated in school on Wednesday 1st November, the Feast of All Saints, as this is a Holy Day of Obligation. Thank you to Primary 6 who led this mass. A special thank you to Father Morton.

Our next mass will be led by Primary 4/5 on **Friday 1st December**. Please see Calendar for details of Masses.

'Brew & a Blether'

On the first Wednesday of each month, we will host a very informal, free, 'Brew & a Blether' for parents and carers to drop in for a cup of tea/coffee and a 'blether'. These will run from 9am-9.45am ~ just as you drop your child off at school and nursery. We hope that parents will come along to meet with one another and take a 'wee bit' of time for themselves before they get on with the rest of their busy day!

Our next 'Brew & a Blether' is on Wednesday 6th December at 9am.

Parent Council News

Please join us for our next meeting on **Wednesday 8th November** – on Microsoft Teams (Link will be shared on our Facebook and X Platforms). We are always keen for parents to join us – any input is appreciated! We meet monthly but also happy to accept help at any of our events if you cannot attend the meetings. If you can offer any help at our events, please speak to any of the Parent Council members, school office or email stbridespc@gmail.com

Upcoming Events: Christmas Disco, Wednesday 6th December, look out for further details in due course!

Thank you for all contributions to our events and fundraisers – this term we contributed to Miss Boyle's "Loose Parts" and purchased materials for the weekly Masterclasses for all children. Our Autumn Disco was a fantastic success and £499.29 was raised! Many thanks to the parents who volunteered to help on the night.

Follow us on Facebook www.facebook.com/stbridesprimarycambuslang or X (Twitter) @ParentSpc

Christmas Celebrations in St. Bride's

We have lots of activities planned for both School and Nursery as detailed below.

Wednesday 6th December ~ Parent Council Children's Christmas Disco

The Parent Council are organising a Christmas Disco for the children in school on

Thursday 6th December. Tickets can be bought in school. A slip in bag will be sent home nearer the time.

Please note children should not bring mobile phones with them to the discos.

School Christmas Show ~ Tuesday 12th December 9.30am & 1.30pm

Primary 1 – 3 children will perform a Nativity Play with Primary 4-7 singing Christmas Carols and Festive

Songs.

Due to the very high number of families within the school we are only able to allocate **one ticket for each performance to each family**. Please look out for an order slip in your eldest child's bag week beginning Monday 4th December. (Families may wish to swap tickets to allow 2 family members to come to one performance.) It is anticipated that all ticket allocation will be used. If there are any spare tickets, we will let families know and draw names from a hat for any spare tickets.

Wednesday 13th December ~ School Pupils to 'Sleeping Senga' Pantomime

Primary 1 – 7 will go to see 'Sleeping Senga' at East Kilbride Village Theatre. There will be **no** charge for all pupils as the cost is being covered by our Pupil Equity Fund. Please note that the show is in the morning, during school.

Wednesday 13th December ~ Nursery & School Christmas Lunch

Christmas Lunch will be served on Wednesday 13th December. Please look out for menus in your child's bag in late November and return them to School and Nursey with your child's lunch choice.

Parents of Primary 6 & 7 who pay for their child's lunch can do so in the usual way through ParentPay.

Nursery Christmas Nativity Show ~ Thursday 14th December at 10am

The children will perform the Nativity for families. Each family will be allocated 4 tickets costing £2 each. If there are any unallocated tickets, families may be able to purchase an extra ticket. Tickets will go on sale nearer the time. Please look out for information in the Nursery.

Thursday 15th December – Christmas Enterprise Day

Children as part of their learning within class will pitch a 'Dragon's Den' style idea to Mrs Torrance for Class Christmas Enterprise Companies. Children will research resources and come up with a company name for their business. If successful... the children will purchase the resources needed to make Christmas themed items to sell at our Christmas Enterprise Day. All classes will have the opportunity to buy a variety of Christmas goods.

On the day children can wear their casual clothes and if they wish, a Christmas jumper, party clothes or just a touch of Christmas sparkle to add to the festive spirit. Please do not feel the need to buy a Christmas jumper or anything special for your child to wear.

Tuesday 19th December ~ School & Nursery Party Day

We will have a whole School and Nursery Party Day on Tuesday 19th December. Children should come to school that day in their party clothes or casual clothes.

Other Information

Our school is a NUT FREE school. Children should not bring **any** snack or lunch items which contain nuts or traces of nuts. (Including Nutella and other Nut and chocolate spread products)

Breakfast Club

FREE ~ Each morning from 8.15am. PLEASE DO NOT DROP CHILDREN EARLY – It's cold, dark, and often raining in the morning. Enter through our Dining Hall door. All Primary 1 – 7 pupils welcome.

School Lunches

Please follow the link below for details; [Week 1 - South Lanarkshire Council](#)

Communication

We regularly share information with parents via many platforms. Please follow us on *Twitter/X SCambuslang * Our School App through the [ScotEd](#) app *Parents Portal [parentsportal.scot.nhs.uk](#)
Our School & Nursery website @ [Home | St. Bride's Primary School & Nursery Class \(st-brides-cambuslang-pri.s-lanark.sch.uk\)](#)

Parent Council Links ~ Twitter (X) @ParentSpc and Facebook [www.facebook/stbridesprimarycambuslang](#)

Email ~ stbridespc@gmail.com

Open Door

We operate an 'Open Door' policy. If you wish to discuss any matter or have any questions, please contact us and we will do our very best to help.

Kind regards,
Louise Torrance
Head Teacher

Important Dates – School & Nursery ~ November & December 2023

November 2023		
Wednesday 1 st	9am 11.15am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'Brew & Blether' ~ open invitation to parents/carers • All Saints Holy day of Obligation Mass in School, P6 leading, Families welcome
Thursday 2 nd	~ 2-4pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flu Immunisation for pupils • Families Connect Programme
Week beginning 6 th	Mon - Thurs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nursery Stay & Play Sessions
Tuesday 7 th	~	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary 4, 4/5 & 5 trip to the Tall Ship & Riverside Museum
Wednesday 8 th	6.30pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent Council Meeting
Thursday 9 th	am 2-3:45 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary 7 Transition Sports Event at Trinity High School • Families Connect Programme
Friday 10 th	11am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remembrance Service – Cambuslang Remembrance Garden
Monday 13th	~	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • INSET DAY ~ School & Nursery closed to pupils
Week Beginning 13 th	~	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Book Week Scotland
Tues 14 th – Fri 17 th	~	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nursery Target Setting Meetings with Parents & Carers
Tuesday 14 th	~	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary 6, 6/7 & 7 trip to the Cinema – Scottish Film Week
Thursday 16 th	~ 7pm 2-3:45 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scottish Catholic Education Fortnight begins. • Annual Education Mass @ Motherwell Cathedral • Families Connect Programme
Friday 17 th	~	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary 1 & 7 Dental Inspections in school
Wednesday 22nd	1.30pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family Learning Open Afternoon - ALL parents & carers welcome 1.30-2.30pm
Friday 24 th	~	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Athletics Festival – Senior Athletics Team
Tuesday 28 th	7pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary 7 Sacrament of Confirmation, St. Bride's Church
Thursday 30 th	8.30am 2-3:45 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St. Andrew's Day • ~ Family Prayer Breakfast ~ end Scottish Catholic Education Fortnight • Foodbank Donations ~ Charity event • Wear a 'Touch of Tartan' non uniform day • Families Connect Programme
December 2023		
Friday 1 st	10am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Friday Mass in St. Bride's Church – Primary 4/5 leading
Wednesday 6 th	9am pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'Brew & Blether' ~ open invitation to parents/carers • Christmas Discos – Parent Council
Thursday 7 th	2-3:45 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Families Connect Programme
Friday 8 th	~	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Charity Chocolate Raffle
Tuesday 12 th	9.30am & 1.30pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Christmas Show - 9.90am & 1.30pm
Wednesday 13 th	~	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Trip to 'Sleeping Senga' panto – EK Village Theatre
Thursday 14 th	10am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nursery Christmas Show • Families Connect Celebration from 2pm to 3pm
Friday 15 th	~	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christmas Enterprise Day - Non-Uniform Day - Christmas/ Casual clothes
Tuesday 19 th	~	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School & Nursery Christmas Party Day
Friday 23 rd	2.30pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Closes for Christmas
January 2023		
Monday 8 th	9am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School re-opens

- Primary 6 Swimming until Thursday 16th November (last day)