




Education Resources
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Dear Parents and Carers,

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Please have a read through our **December Newsletter** to find out what is happening in St. Bride's School Community. 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			
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Nursery

We welcome our new children and their families to our Nursery. The children are all settling it well and exploring all the learning opportunities both indoors and outdoors. The children are learning about the change in weather and developing their skills in getting dressed to go outdoors to explore. They are being creative by using a variety of different materials of their choice to make pictures and models. We are developing our knowledge of Christmas and the Season of Winter by reading stories, using the c-touch to find out information and look at pictures and communicating with others our knowledge, likes and dislikes. The children will be performing our Nativity show, on Wednesday 11th December at 10.00am. We will be having our Christmas Party on Wednesday 18th December and we are hoping that a very special person comes along to say Ho Ho Ho!

Catholic Education Fortnight – 16th - 30th November

Thank you to our Pope Francis Faith Award children and Father Morton who led our school in prayer to mark the start of Catholic Education Week on Monday 18th November. A huge, big thank you for all the food bank donations, as always, your generosity is very much appreciated.

Family Learning Open Afternoon – Wednesday 20th November 1.30-2.30pm

Thank you to all the parents and families who came along to the open afternoon. We had a super 62.9% attendance. Parents and families took part in a variety of Literacy based learning activities lead by the staff and pupils.

Primary 7 Sacrament of Confirmation

Bishop Toal conferred the Sacrament of Confirmation in St. Bride's Church on Thursday 28th November for our Primary 7 pupils. It was a wonderful occasion. Please keep all our Sacramental children in your prayers.

'Brew & a Blether'

On the first Wednesday of each month, we will host a very inform, 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 4th December at 9am.

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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Parent Council News

As the school term comes to a close, we have the expenditure of the Virgin media digital grant awarded to us to complete before the end of the year. We are in the process of purchasing the requested items of the HT and teaching staff. We have also provided each class and nursery with funds towards their Christmas activities to finish this year.

Thank you for all contributions to our events and fundraisers this year – we have worked hard with your support to raise our funds. We look forward to continuing this in 2025, all of which would not be possible without your continued support so we thank you most sincerely. We will continue to work with Mrs Torrance to assist the school and nursery requests and initiatives where we can.

Our final meeting of this year took place in November, we warmly invite you to our first meeting of the new year on Wednesday 8th January 2025 – we will share the Microsoft Teams link on our Facebook and X platforms nearer the time to join from home or if you wish to come along to school with us you are very welcome. 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. Thank you to our volunteers that have supported our events this year. If you can offer any help, please speak to any of the Parent Council members, school office or email stbridespc@gmail.com

Upcoming Events: Christmas Discos on Wednesday 4th December and Bonus Ball sale at the school and nursery Christmas shows on Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th December.

Finally, we would like to wish all our parents, carers and staff a very merry Christmas with all good wishes for the new year.

Please follow us on the platforms below: 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 4th December ~ Parent Council Children's Christmas Disco

The Parent Council are organising a Christmas Disco for the children in school on Wednesday 4th December. Please note children should not bring mobile phones with them to the discos.

Friday 6th December ~ Missio Chocolate Raffle

We will be holding our annual Chocolate Raffle on Friday 6th December with all monies raised going to Missio, a Scottish charity that helps children across the world. Thank you for all the donations of chocolate which you have sent into school. Tickets on sale all week. All children will receive a free entry to the raffle. Each class has their own prizes including a big chocolate hamper!

School Christmas Show ~ Tuesday 10th December 9.30am & 1.30pm

Primary 1 – 3 children will perform 'It's a Party!' 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 2nd 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.

Nursery Christmas Show ~ Wednesday 11th December 10am

The Nursery children will perform their Nativity show to parents and families. Tickets, £3 each available from Nursery staff.

Thursday 12th December ~ Nursery & School Christmas Lunch

Christmas Lunch will be served on Thursday 12th December. Please look out for menus in your child's bag in late November and return them to school and Nursery 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.

Friday 13th 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
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.

Monday 16th December ~ School Pupils to 'Sleeping Beauty' Pantomime

Nursery, Primary 1 – 7 will see 'Sleeping Beauty' in school by a visiting theatre company. There will be **no** charge for all pupils as the cost is being covered by our Pupil Equity Fund.

Wednesday 18th December ~ School & Nursery Party Day

We will have a whole School and Nursery Party Day on Wednesday 18th December. Children should come to school that day in their party, casual clothes.

Thursday 19th December – Mini Vinnies Christmas Raffle

Our Mini Vinnie group are organising a raffle to raise funds. Tickets, 20p each, will be on sale from Monday 9th December. All children will receive a free entry into the raffle. Thank you to staff for donating the prizes.

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 BEFORE 8.15am** – It's cold, dark and often raining in the morning. Enter through 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](#)
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

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Please see below

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Wednesday 4 th	9am pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 'Brew & a Blether' ~ open invitation to parents/carers• Christmas Discos – Parent Council
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Tuesday 10 th	9.30am & 1.30pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• School Christmas Show - 9.30am & 1.30pm
Wednesday 11 th	10am	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nursery Christmas Show
Thursday 12 th	~	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Christmas Lunch
Friday 13 th	~	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Christmas Enterprise Day - Non-Uniform Day - Christmas/ Casual clothes
Monday 16 th		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Panto in school, Nursery & P1-P7
Wednesday 18 th	~	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• School & Nursery Christmas Party Day
Thursday 19 th	~	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mini Vinnies Raffle
Friday 20 th	2.30pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• School & Nursery closes for Christmas
January 2024		
Monday 6 th	9am	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• School & Nursery re-opens