




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 – so maybe get a cuppa and biscuit!!

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

SHANARRI Achieving	<u>UNCRC - No 28</u> Access to education Every child has the right to an education.	 28 ACCESS TO EDUCATION	School value ACHIEVING
A-Z of Attachment Strategy			
G	Give positive messages	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.	
H	Healing		
I	Identify resilience potential		

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

We would like to thank all our parents/carers for meeting with their child's keyworker to set their targets. The children are enjoying picking books from our lending library to take home. We are learning about the season Autumn through books, walks, creativity and technology. A weekly Literacy/Numeracy focus has begun during our group time. The weekly focus is displayed in the playroom above the children's trays, please take some time to have a look. The children have also enjoyed welcoming their families into our Nursery for our stay and play sessions. We hope you have all had a great time exploring with your children. Our practising for our Christmas show is underway, you may hear the children singing some of our songs at home.

Scottish Film Week

Every class will visit the cinema during Scottish Film week. The cinema is free with the cost of buses covered by our Pupil Equity Fund. Details below;

- Tuesday 12th Nov – P4, P4/5 & P5 – Dogtanian & the 3 Musketeers - Hamilton
- Wednesday 13th Nov – P2, P2/3 & P3 – Migration - Hamilton
- Thurs 14th Nov – P1a, P1b, P6, P6/7 & P7 – Inside Out 2 - Silverburn

Please access Permission slips on the Parentsportal app and photographs on Twitter. Children may bring a small snack & water with them.

Primary 7 Transition Event

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

COMMUNITY FAITH CARING RESPECTED FAIR RESPONSIBLE AMBITIOUS ACHIEVING

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Primary 7 will take part in a Sports event at Trinity High School on **Thursday 7th 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 8th November at 11am at Cambuslang Remembrance Garden.

Catholic Education Fortnight – 16th - 30th November

The Annual Education mass will be celebrated by Bishop Toal in Motherwell Cathedral on Monday 25th 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 Monday 18th November**. 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.

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

Parents and families are invited along to the school on Wednesday 20th November for a Literacy themed Open Afternoon from 1.30pm - 2.30pm.

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

Sacramental Information

Primary 7 Confirmation will be held in St. Bride's Church on **Thursday 21st 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 share final arrangements 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 Friday 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 and the families who joined us for mass.

All Primary 6 pupils were enrolled in Pope Francis Faith Award during this mass.

Our next mass will be led by Primary 4/5 on **Friday 6th December**. Please see Calendar for Mass details.

'Brew & a Blether'

On the first Wednesday of each month, we 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 yourselves before you get on with the rest of their busy day!

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

St. Andrew's Day

We will celebrate St. Andrew's Day on **Friday 29th November**. Children may wear tartan/Scotland themed clothes to school. We will be collecting donations for the Local Foodbank on that day. All donations gratefully appreciated.

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

Our Parent Council are organising a Christmas Disco for the children in school on Thursday 6th December. Tickets can be bought in school. Details will be sent home nearer the time.

School Christmas Show ~ Tuesday 10th December 9.30am & 1.15pm

Primary 1 – 3 children will perform a Nativity play with Primary 4-7 singing Christmas carols and festive songs. Tickets £3 each.

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.

Nursery Christmas Nativity Show ~ Wednesday 11th December at 10am

The children will perform the Nativity show for families. Each family will be allocated 4 tickets costing £3 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 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 visit the fayre. 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 buy a Christmas jumper or anything special for your child to wear.

Monday 16th December ~ 'Sleeping Beauty' Show in school

Due to the extremely high costs of tickets and buses we are having a theatre group come to us this year in school. Oh yes we are!! 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 afternoon, during school.

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.

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 Dining Hall door. All Primary 1 – 7 pupils welcome.

School Lunches

Please follow the link below for details; <https://www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk/primary-menu>

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](https://parentsportal.scot.nhs.uk/) Our School & Nursery website @ [Home | St. Bride's Primary School & Nursery Class \(st-brides-cambuslang-pri.s-lanark.sch.uk\)](https://www.stbridesprimaryschool.co.uk/)

Parent Council Links ~ Twitter (X) @ParentSpc and Facebook www.facebook.com/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 2024

November 2024		
Wednesday 6 th	9am	• 'Brew & Blether' ~ open invitation to parents/carers
Week beginning 4 th	Mon - Thurs	• Nursery Stay & Play Sessions
Tuesday 5 th	~ pm pm	• Fireworks Night Themed Lunch • Netball Fun5s Festival – EK • P6 Swimming (wk11/12)
Wednesday 8 th	6.30pm	• Parent Council Meeting
Thursday 7 th	am	• Primary 7 Transition Sports Event at Trinity High School
Friday 8 th	11am	• Remembrance Day Service Cambuslang Remembrance Garden
Monday 11th	~	• INSET DAY 3 ~ School & Nursery closed to pupils
Week Beginning 11 th	~	• Scottish Film Scotland
Tuesday 12 th	am	• P4, P4/5 & P5 – Dogtanian & the 3 Muskhounds - Hamilton
Wednesday 13 th	am	• P2, P2/3 & P3 – Migration - Hamilton
Thursday 14 th	am	• P1a, P1b, P6, P6/7 & P7 – Inside Out 2 - Silverburn
Friday 15 th	~	• P4-7 Caledonia Gladiators Basketball Coaching sessions
16 th – 30 th	~	• Catholic Education Fortnight ~ Theme : Pilgrims of Hope
Monday 18 th	8.30am 9am am	• 8.30am Breakfast followed by 9am Prayer Service • Fluoride Varnishing in School
Wednesday 20th	1.30pm	• Family Learning Open Afternoon - ALL parents & carers welcome 1.30-2.30pm
Thursday 21 st	pm	• Athletics Festival – Senior Athletics Team
Tuesday 21 st	7pm	• Primary 7 Sacrament of Confirmation, St. Bride's Church
Friday 29 th	~	• St. Andrew's Day • Foodbank Donations ~ Charity event • Wear a 'Touch of Tartan/Scottish' non uniform day
Friday 29 th	pm	• Athletics Festival – Senior Athletics Team
December 2024		
Sunday 1 st	10am	• School/Parish mass in St. Bride's Church
Wednesday 4 th	9am pm	• 'Brew & Blether' ~ open invitation to parents/carers • Christmas Discos – Parent Council
Friday 6 th	10am	• First Friday Mass in St. Bride's Church – Primary 4/5 leading
Friday 6 th	~	• Charity Chocolate Raffle
Tuesday 10 th	9.30am & 1.15pm	• School Christmas Show - 9.30am & 1.15pm
Wednesday 11 th	10am	• Nursery Christmas Show
Thursday 12 th	~	• Christmas Lunch School & Nursery
Friday 13 th	~	• Christmas Enterprise Day - Non-Uniform Day - Christmas/ Casual clothes
Monday 16 th	~	• Sleeping Beauty Theatre Show in School – School & Nursery
Wednesday 18 th	~	• School & Nursery Christmas Party Day
Friday 20th	2.30pm	• School Closes for Christmas
January 2023		
Monday 6 th	9am	• School & Nursery re-opens